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CALL FOR *Articles*

West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) Nigeria, in collaboration with Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

WILPF invites interested scholars and practitioners to submit manuscripts for consideration in the upcoming edition of the Women, Peace & Security (WPS) journal.

Why a Journal on Women, Peace and Security?

Since the landmark publication by the UN Secretary-General on Conflict Prevention in June 2000, the issue of Women, Peace and Security (WPS) has gained global attention. This was reinforced by the adoption of United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1325 on October 31, 2000, which remains the cornerstone of the global WPS agenda.

Over two decades later, significant progress has been achieved, including the adoption of nine additional resolutions and evidence of remarkable contributions by women to peace and security processes across the world, including Nigeria.

Nigeria domesticated UNSCR 1325 through the development of the first and second National Action Plans (NAPs) NAP I (2013–2016) and NAP II (2017–2020). These plans advanced the work of government and stakeholders around the five core pillars of the WPS Agenda: Prevention, Participation, Protection, Prosecution, and Promotion.

Building on this foundation, Nigeria has since developed a third National Action Plan (NAP III: 2023–2027), with the aim of consolidating progress, addressing gaps, and strengthening localization efforts across states.





Today, Nigeria has a WPS policy roadmap and infrastructure in place. Over the past decade, peace and security policy frameworks have witnessed notable changes, with relevant legislation and state-level WPS action plans taking root in many regions.










These achievements are the result of strong collaboration between government, civil society, and international partners.

Inspired by the commitment to promote women's contributions to peace and security through evidence-based research, the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP Nigeria) and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF Nigeria) introduced the WPS Journal, published bi-annually.

The Journal seeks to:

-  Document qualitative and quantitative evidence of women's interventions in peace and security in Nigeria.
-  Provide a platform for sharing lessons, information, and best practices in the implementation of UNSCR 1325 and its National/State Action Plans.
-  Serve as a reliable reference for academic and policy discourse on the WPS Agenda.
-  At national, state, and community levels, Nigerian women continue to make outstanding contributions across the five pillars of the WPS agenda. It is time to consolidate these stories and amplify their impact. This is where the role of the WPS Journal fits in so well.

Acceptable Topics and Requirements:

-  Authors are invited to submit articles that document the key contributions of women in peace processes, including in areas of conflict prevention, peacekeeping, peacebuilding, conflict resolution, post-conflict recovery, or cross-cutting issues.
-  Original submissions are expected; manuscripts must not have been previously published or under consideration elsewhere.
-  Articles should truthfully and inspiringly document the contributions of women, individually or collectively, to peace and security in Nigeria.
-  Case studies on how organizations or businesses in Nigeria have worked with women to positively influence peace and security outcomes, in line with UNSCR 1325, will also be considered.
-  Submissions may cover any theme under the WPS agenda, must be relevant to the Nigerian context, and should not exceed 8,000–10,000 words.
-  All manuscripts should be prepared in MS Word, Times New Roman, size 12, 1.5 line spacing, and follow APA 7th edition referencing style.
-  All submissions will undergo peer review, and publication decisions will be based on the outcome of this process.

Authors will be notified once a decision has been reached. Submissions should be sent to:

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