

UPCOMING EVENTS (MARCH – APRIL 2016)

DATE	TIME	VENUE	ORGANISER	EVENT	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
MARCH 2016					
02/03/2016 (Wednesday)	7.00PM – 9.00PM	CPA Room, House of Commons	The Centre for Turkey Studies	CEFTUS Women's Rights and Achievements Reception	<p>CEFTUS would like to celebrate achievements of women of all ethnicity and religions from Turkey and their invaluable contribution in Turkey's progress in many fields. This reception will welcome all and particularly women originating from Turkey. The aim is to bring women and men together to raise awareness of women's rights.</p> <p><u>Caroline Flint</u> Labour MP for Don Valley will kindly host this reception.</p> <p>(Note: Arrive at 6.30PM for security checks)</p>
04/03/2016 (Friday)	9.30AM	Europe House, 32 Smith Square	European Parliament Information Office	Double Jeopardy: Woman Refugee	<p>A panel discussion on the situation of women refugees and asylum seekers in the EU: What dangers do women refugees face? How can the challenges be met? Should we be doing more?</p> <p><u>Mary Honeyball MEP</u>, member of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality will present her draft report on the situation of women refugees and asylum seekers in the EU.</p> <p>She will be joined for a panel discussion by <u>Rahela Sidiqi</u>, trustee of Women for Refugee Women and other speakers.</p> <p><u>Razia Iqbal</u>, BBC News will moderate the discussion.</p> <p>For more details and registration, click here.</p>
05/03/2016 (Saturday)	11.00AM – 6.00PM	Wales Millennium Centre	Southbank Centre, London and Wales Millennium Centre, Cardiff	Women of the World Festival – Cardiff	<p>Celebrating the achievements of women across the world, WOW Festival - Cardiff is back and looks at the obstacles that may stop women and girls from achieving their potential. Join the third WOW Festival, featuring renowned speakers such as <u>Laura Bates</u>, <u>Dawn Foster</u> and <u>Gillian Clarke*</u>, as well as performances from the likes of Wales' own <u>HMS Morris</u> and BBC's The Voice contestant, <u>Lara Lee</u>.</p> <p>There are plenty of events to get involved with throughout the day including workshops, WOW Speed Mentoring, WOW Market and</p>

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06/03/2016 (Sunday)	10.00AM	The Scoop, Queen's Walk, More London, London SE1 2DB	CARE International UK	International Women's Day Walk	<p>Ahead of International Women's Day, join <u>Annie Lennox</u>, <u>Bianca Jagger</u>, <u>Helen Pankhurst</u> and an incredible line-up of women's rights champions and 21st century suffragettes, including <u>Leyla Hussein</u>, <u>Bridget Christie</u> and <u>Natasha Walter</u>. Walk in solidarity with women and girls worldwide who endure inequality and injustice.</p> <p>Hear moving stories and powerful speeches amid a line-up of uplifting entertainment. Come and cheer for women and girls at our noisy, colourful rally, then march with us in solidarity. And as it's Mother's Day, bring your loved ones!</p> <p>For more details, click here.</p>
09/03/2016 (Wednesday)	3.45PM – 5.00PM	Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House, Bridge Street, Westminster, London SW1A 2LW	Equality and Diversity Forum	Rights for Life – sharing human rights stories	<p>The Rt Hon <u>Maria Miller</u> MP Chair, Women and Equalities Committee is kindly hosting the reception. Other speakers include <u>Caroline Abraham</u>, Charity Director, Age UK; and <u>Sarah Green</u>, Director, End Violence Against Women Coalition.</p> <p>Human rights are for everyone and matter at all stages of our lives. Equally Ours recently launched a new web resource, Rights for Life (www.equally-ours.org.uk) highlighting how we rely on human rights when we're younger or older, need care, using services, at work, interacting with the police, looking after our children.</p> <p>The parliamentary reception will share the ideas around Rights for Life. It will showcase the real life examples gathered from</p>

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10/03/2016 (Thursday)	3.00PM – 6.00PM	British Council, 10 Spring Gardens, London SW1A 2BN	British Council	Gender Equality and Empowering Women and Girls: Strengths, Challenges and International Links from a UK Perspective	<p><u>Dr Jo Beall</u>, Director Education and Society, British Council invites you to a workshop focussing on the current picture of gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls in the UK in light of the recently adopted Sustainable Development Goals. Speakers will share their reflections on the progress of the UK in this area followed by wider discussions to identify key strengths, challenges and opportunities for learning internationally.</p> <p>RSVP by Friday 4 March 2016 to secure your place with Mark Hopkins esevents@britishcouncil.org</p>
APRIL 2016					
13/04/2016 (Wednesday)	9.00AM – 4.45PM	Royal College of Physicians, London	bpas, Birthrights and the Centre for Parenting Culture Studies	Policing Pregnancy: A one-day conference on maternal autonomy, risk and responsibility	<p>This event will explore the tensions that exist between efforts to promote awareness of risk to pregnant women and the often unconsidered problems of this approach, including the formalised and informal policing of pregnancy that results.</p> <p>The topic of alcohol use in pregnancy forms the starting point and we are delighted to welcome <u>Lynn Paltrow</u> of the US National Advocates for Pregnant Women to open the event with perspectives from the US, which will then be explored in a European context.</p> <p>Afternoon sessions will consider topics where trends seem apparent and consider how developments contest the principle of autonomy. A roundtable session will discuss how food intake has become a locus for policy-making through elevated concerns</p>

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19/04/2016 (Tuesday)	10.15AM – 4.30PM	Central London	Public Policy Exchange	The Next Steps in Tackling ‘Revenge Pornography’ and Supporting Victims	<p>One year on from revenge porn becoming a specific criminal offence under the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 this timely symposium provides an invaluable opportunity for local authorities, police, legal practitioners, victim support services and other key stakeholders to review the new legislation and discuss further ways to tackle and deter ‘revenge pornography’.</p> <p>Why Attend?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand new and existing legislation around revenge porn • Assess the impact of the new criminal offence and consider what more needs to be done to tackle revenge porn • Consider how to strengthen police and other front-line responses through better training and awareness • Examine how to best safeguard and support victims, provide legal advice and work with media companies to remove material • Explore how to change public attitudes, promote responsible use of technology and educate young people on respect, equality and consent in relationships <p>Key speakers: Frances Ridout, Barrister and Deputy Director, Queen Mary Legal Advice Centre; Janine Carroll, Director, Restorative Now</p> <p>For more details, click here. To register, click here.</p>

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21/04/2016 (Thursday)	TBA	United Nations Headquarters, New York	United Nations	High-level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals	<p>The 70th President of the General Assembly, <u>H.E. Mogens Lykketoft</u> will convene a High Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to support prompt and inclusive implementation of the 2030 Agenda.</p> <p>The Thematic Debate will feature a panel discussion on “Action at all levels,” which will focus on national responses to implementation of the 2030 Agenda. This panel will include three stakeholder representatives: one each from civil society, the private sector and academia.</p> <p>This event will serve to significantly increase international awareness and political momentum around the implementation of the SDGs. It will bring together global political, business and civil society leaders in New York to focus on kick-starting SDG implementation. It will also be a unique opportunity to address the synergy between the COP21 outcome and the 2030 Agenda. Leaders will be offered a platform to catalyse action, discuss concrete steps forward and mobilize potential implementation partners.</p> <p>For more details, click here.</p>