



GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE 2024

IANSA REPORT

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Every year, IANSA invited its members to join in solidarity to advocate for an end to the illicit trade and misuse of small arms and light weapons (SALW) by participating in the Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence (GWOA), this year it took place from 3 – 9 June 2024.

IANSA's theme this year was "A World without Gun Violence: Turning Words into Actions," it envisions a future where gun violence is no longer a threat to communities worldwide. It calls for global solidarity, State commitment, and concrete actions to achieve disarmament, promote peacebuilding, and ensure the safety of all individuals. The GWOA emphasises the need for all stakeholders to work together to achieve tangible outcomes and taking meaningful steps forward for a world without gun violence.

States have made numerous commitments to the United Nations Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects (UNPoA), which was adopted by the General Assembly in June 2001. The GWOA was an opportunity for civil society organisations to urge State governments to strengthen their UNPoA commitments and start mobilising in the lead up to the Fourth Review Conference on the UNPoA (RevCon4), which took place 18-28 June 2024. It committed all participating States to cooperate on measures that will help achieve the purpose of the UNPoA, including "to reduce the human suffering caused by the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects and to enhance the respect for life and the dignity of the human person through the promotion of a culture of peace."

Advocacy points and actions promoted for GWOA and #TowardsRevCon4:

- Strengthening transfer controls;
- Controlling SALW ammunition;
- Collecting, destroying, and safely disposing of surplus SALW and ammunition;
- Mainstreaming gender;
- Engaging with youth;
- Setting national and regional targets;
- Controlling the civilian possession of SALW.

Funded Organisations

As part of IANSA's project with the UNODA through contributions received from the European Union: "From the Bottom Up: Civil Society Engagement and Support for the UN Programme of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons", small stipends were given to IANSA members to undertake activities during the Global Week of Action. This is a summary of their activities.

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Global Peace Chain (SOS Civisme)

Global Peace Chain organised a workshop for civil society organizations about the importance of gender mainstreaming in SALW control in the Central African Republic. Some recommendations from CSO participants were to develop specific projects and action plans on SALW; to disseminate the African Union's roadmap on silencing weapons and develop information, education and communication initiatives on SALW. The activity was organised in collaboration with the National Commission on Small Arms and Light Weapons in CAR.



REFEADES organized a series of events for the GWOA, the events had the participation of over 100 members of the Makobola village and its 12 sub villages. The events focused on gender, masculinities, youth and small arms control. Involving many grassroots leaders and community members in the DRC and local authorities.



Global Thought Mexico organised a in person/online hybrid workshop "Turning Words into Actions: Feminist Foreign Policy to reduce armed violence and increasing youth participation" with university students in international relations and other social science disciplines. It aimed to gather reflections on how feminist foreign policy can support implementing states in reducing armed violence. It also included an overview of tools that young people need for their demands to be included in international policy. Full report in Spanish [here](#).



The Nigerian Youth Antiviolence Forum held an activity at the University of Maiduguri in the Borno State on turning words into actions in controlling small arms and ending gun violence. The event allowed youth survivors of gun violence to speak and address local officials. Uniting over 100 members of the community, a lot of important voices were heard and recommendations for strengthening SALW controls were provided by survivors.



The Sustainable Peace and Development Organization organised a seminar for the youth that envisions a future where gun violence is no longer a threat to their communities. They conducted briefing sessions with university students, developed awareness raising materials for community members, collaborated with local and national officials on providing recommendations for strengthening small arms violence to youth and including youth perspectives.



Additional Activities

In addition to groups that received funding, other IANSA members from around the world participated in the Global Week of Action.

CAMEROON – Cameroon Action Network on Small Arms (CANSA)

Held a Press Conference for the GWOA that called for stronger regulation of SALW and for adoption of text of application for 2016 law on arms and ammunition by the government of Cameroon.



COLOMBIA – REDEPAZ

REDEPAZ in the city of Medellín, organised an informative and reflective seminar day with young people about the prevention of armed violence, at the Pedro Octavio Amado Educational Institution.



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NIGERIA – Keen and Care Initiative Nigeria (KCI)

KCI Gathered community members to raise awareness on gun violence and call for strict controls in Nigeria.



ZIMBABWE – World Beyond War

Organised an online webinar for the GWOA on the importance of strict controls on SALW.



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a global movement to end all wars

Webinar
GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION
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CANSA
CAMEROON ACTION NETWORK
ON SMALL ARMS

ISN'T THE WORLD BETTER WITHOUT SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS?



EUGENE NGALIM
NYUYDINE
President of CANSA



JOSEPHINE ALABI
Executive Director of Keen
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ELLI KYTÖMÄKI
Programme Officer,
IANSA



EDWICK MADZIMURE
WBW ZIMBABWE
Coordinator



MODERATOR
GUY FEUGAP
World BEYOND War
Africa Organizer

Date: 14 June 2024

Time: 3:00 - 4:30pm GMT

Event language: English

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GlobalThought @GlobalThoughtMx · Jun 5

En la Semana Mundial de Acción Contra la Violencia Armada organizamos el taller "Convirtiendo palabras en acciones: La Política Exterior Feminista para reducir la violencia armada y aumentar la participación de las juventudes."

¡Gracias a las y los participantes!

#GWOA2024



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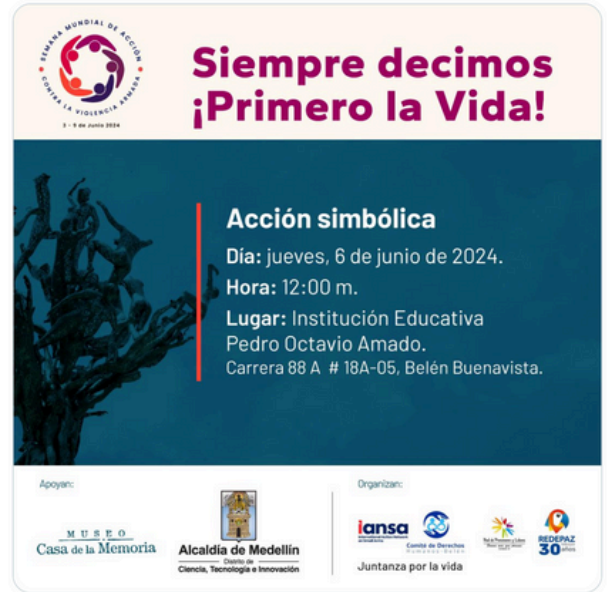
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RedepazAntioquia @rede pazant · Jun 5

En el Marco de la Semana mundial de acción contra la violencia armada en #Medellín, realizaremos una actividad este jueves 6 de junio a las 12:00 p.m. en la institución educativa Pedro Octavio Amado en el barrio Belén Buenavista. @Alcaldia de Med @IANSAnetwork @mesaporlavida me



Museo Casa de la Memoria and 9 others



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IANSA @IANSAnetwork · Jun 5

For the Global Week of Action, IANSA member le Réseau des Femmes en Action pour le Développement Social (REFEADES) in the #DR Congo held an activity to mobilize the local people of Makobola and the surrounding villages to fight against gun violence! #GWOA2024



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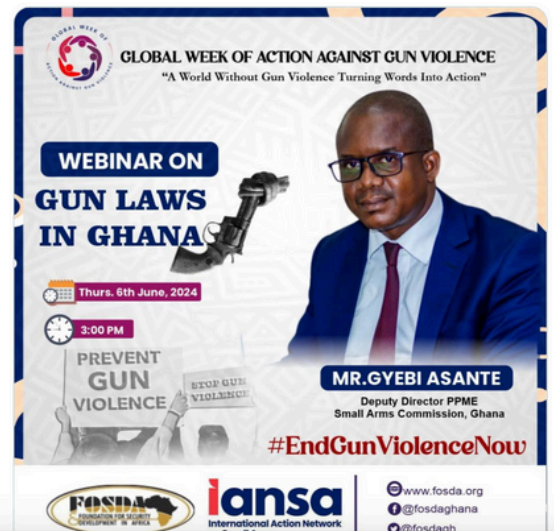
Fosda Ghana @fosdagh · Jun 5

Are you ready to learn more about gun regulations in Ghana?

Don't miss out on this educative and informative webinar tomorrow!

bit.ly/3XaPQ3Q

@SmallArmsGh



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Yael López @yanahilop · Jun 4

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Josephine Alabi @josephinealabi · Jun 3

Let's advocate collectively to end all forms of violence especially gun violence in our communities and globally!



You and 4 others

iansa IANSA @IANSAnetwork · Apr 25



The Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence #GWOA2024 is coming soon! IANSA's theme this year is "A World without Gun Violence: Turning Words into Actions!" Calling for global solidarity & concrete actions to achieve disarmament & promote ...

SEHLAC @redsehlac · Jun 1

La próxima semana comienza The Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence #GWOA2024 @IANSAnetwork
Más información iansa.org/global-week-of-...

appargentina @appargentina1 · Jun 1

¡Faltan #2días para la Semana Mundial de Acción contra la Violencia Armada #GWOA2024! Nos sumamos al tema de @IANSAnetwork este año: "Un mundo sin violencia armada: ¡convirtiendo las palabras en acciones!" Llamado a acciones concretas para lograr el desarme y promover la paz



NGALIM Eugene Nyuydi @ngalimeug · Jun 2

@camyosfop. This Saturday, launch of the global week of action against gun violence in Cameroon through a sport walk by the Cameroon Action Network on Small Arms (CANSa)



Josephine Alabi @josephinealabi · Jun 3

It's Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence from 3-9, June 2024! Let's advocate collectively to end all forms violence especially gun violence in our communities and globally!





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UNLIREC @UNLIREC · Jun 3

🔴 During @IANSAnetwork's Global Week of Action, Peruvian officials are training in Puno, Peru to combat illicit trafficking of firearms in border areas.

Let's contribute to a world without gun violence, turning words into actions for disarmament.

Funded by @AuswaertigesAmt 🇩🇪



appargentina @appargentina1 · Jun 3

#GWoA2024 Semana Mundial contra la Violencia Armada

En 🇦🇷: 250 mujeres fueron víctimas directas de femicidio en 2023, 21% asesinadas con un arma de fuego. En 10 años, casi 2500 víctimas

A 9 años de la 1ªmarcha #NiUnaMenos desde @appargentina1 insistimos #LasArmasNoNosProtegen



SEHLAC @redsehlac · Jun 3

Del 3 al 9 de junio es Semana de Acción Mundial contra la Violencia Armada 🙌🙌 #GWoA2024 impulsada por @IANSAnetwork

🤔 ¿Querés sumarte? 😊 Ingresá a este link y pasa del dicho al hecho ➡ iansa.org/global-week-of-...



appargentina @appargentina1 · Jun 4

En la #GWoA2024 @IANSAnetwork 🗣️ ¡Es hora de alzar la voz! 🚫

En este 📰 te contamos lo que sucedió en materia de femicidios con armas de fuego entre 2017 y 2022, en Argentina 🇦🇷

#LasArmasNoNosProtegen #desarmemoslaviolencia #FinALaViolencia



SEHLAC @redsehlac · Jun 4

En la Semana Mundial de Acción Contra la Violencia Armada #GWoA2024 impulsada por @IANSAnetwork desde @redsehlac les compartimos uno de los puntos centrales ➡ ¡Comprometerse con los jóvenes para reducir la proliferación y el uso indebido de armas pequeñas y ligeras!



LA INTEGRACIÓN DE LA JUVENTUD AL CONTROL DE ARMAS PEQUEÑAS Y LIGERAS PARA LA PAZ Y LA SEGURIDAD



LA INTEGRACIÓN JUVENIL se refiere a la inclusión de las perspectivas, necesidades y participación de los jóvenes en los procesos para reducir la proliferación y el uso indebido de APAL. Al garantizar que los jóvenes participen activamente en la toma de decisiones, las campañas de concientización y las iniciativas de desarme, el enfoque reconoce el

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MontseMtz @SaoriMontse · Jun 4

Miren este nuevo material producido por @IANSAnetwork y @SmallArmsSurvey para evitar la violencia armada contra identidades, orientaciones y/o expresiones de género diversas 🏳️🌈🔥

iansa @IANSAnetwork · Jun 4

iansa and @SmallArmsSurvey have developed a factsheet on ending armed violence perpetrated against people on the basis of their sexual orientation, gender identity or expression & sexual characteristics within the framework of the #UNPoA! #GWA2024 🌍

➡ iansa.org/ending-armed-v...

77 77 countries, discriminatory laws criminalise private, consensual same-sex relationships.	327 The Trans Murder Monitoring website counted 327 murders of transgender and gender diverse persons in the world between October 2021 and September 2022.	38% Of all the crimes identified, 38% involved a firearm.
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International Humanitarian Law&Youth @IHL_Lawstuden · Jun 4

Are you a young #woman passionate about #peace and #security? Do you want to make a difference in your community and beyond? This is your chance! Fill out the registration form now and be part of this transformative experience!
forms.gle/ngXckMfsGeqmxG...

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International Humanitarian Law and youth Initiative

UNSCAR
Regulate weaponry - develop community

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SALW POA and Young Women

Online Workshop

Promoting women's role in peace and security

JUNE 10|11|12 2024

Joseph Dube @Joseph08Dube · Jun 5

#RevCon4 taking stock on progress made to mainstream gender include youth in the implementation of #UNPoA @IANSAnetwork @UNODA @odaunrec @sadcpc @SADC_News @UN_Women @AUC_PAPS

United Nations Trust Facility Supporting Cooperation on Arms Regulation

UNSCAR
Regulate weaponry - develop community

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WEBINAR ON

SADC CSO Regional Voice Towards to UNRevCon4 on UNPoA

The SADC protocol on the control of firearms, ammunition and related materials was updated by the Heads of States in the region in August 2020 to support the implementation of the UN Programme of Action on Small Arms. It provides countries in Southern Africa with a framework for controlling the proliferation of small arms and light weapons and incorporates the African Union (AU) Roadmap for Silencing the Guns. Ahead of the fourth Review Conference of the UNPoA, SADC CSOs came together to discuss how the Conference should include Mainstreaming Gender, Youth Participation and the African Union Common Position.

We will have several distinguished speakers, including Ms. Pauline Dempers from Namibia, and Ms. Marlene Mutigala from South Africa, in addition to speakers from the African Union Peace and Security Council and the International Action Network on Small Arms.

The Webinar is on the 10th June 2024
11am Johannesburg Time
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81939837066?pwd=aW3dwrRiNX155b1D2Rm1f9svjvaVc.1>
Meeting ID: 819 3983 7066
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RedepazAntioquia @rede pazant · Jun 6

En el marco de la Semana de acción mundial contra la violencia armada en #Medellín estuvimos en la Institución educativa Pedro Octavio Amado. Con jóvenes de últimos grados. @IANSAnetwork @AlcaldiadeMed @seguridadmed @PazDDHHmed @mesaporlavidame @Redepaz_Oficial



Fosda Ghana @fosdagh · Jun 7

Out of 453 violent incidents recorded in 2023, 138 involved guns, representing 30% of the incidents. The Dangers of gun violence are immense. #EndGunViolence #GoWA2023

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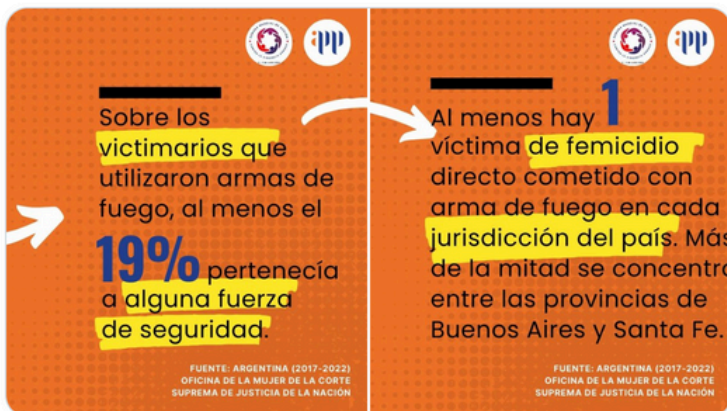
appargentina @appargentina1 · Jun 6

Replying to @appargentina1 and @IANSAnetwork

#GWA2024

Parte 2 Informe de femicidios cometidos c/armas de fuego:

- ➔ El 19% que utilizó arma de fuego pertenecía a alguna fuerza de seguridad 🇲🇪 (Las armas no pueden estar en las casas)
- ➔ Al menos 1 víctima de femicidio con arma de fuego en c/u de las jurisdicciones del país 🇲🇪



SEHLAC @redsehlac · Jun 6

#GWA2024 @IANSAnetwork

⚠ Abordar la violencia perpetrada sobre la base de SOGIESC también es esencial para que el #UNPoA pueda lograr su objetivo de reducir "el sufrimiento humano causado por el tráfico ilícito de armas pequeñas y ligeras".

Más info ➔ bit.ly/4aQXIKY

Poner fin a la violencia armada perpetrada contra las personas por motivos de orientación sexual, identidad o expresión de género y características sexuales, reales o percibidas, en el marco del Programa de Acción de las Naciones Unidas sobre las Armas Pequeñas y Ligeras.

"Mientras las personas se enfrenten a la criminalización, los prejuicios y la violencia por su orientación sexual, identidad de género y características sexuales, debemos redoblar nuestros esfuerzos para poner fin a estas violaciones."

Antonio Guterres, Secretario General de la ONU, 25 de septiembre de 2018.

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**SEHLAC** @redsehlac · Jun 7

#GWOA2024

¡Hoy nos [#VestimosDeNaranja](#) para concientizar sobre la violencia armada! [#WearOrange](#) es una forma de apoyar a las víctimas que sobrevivieron la violencia armada y sus familias, y de honrar a aquellas que perdieron su vida.

@redsehlac @appargentina1 @IANSAnetwork

**Asociación para Políticas Públicas****SEHLAC**
SEGURIDAD HUMANA EN LATINOAMÉRICA Y EL CARIBE



Nosotras podemos terminar con la violencia armada
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**RedepazAntioquia** @rede pazant · Jun 8

En la Semana de Acción contra la Violencia Armada [#GWOA2024](#) en [#Medellin](#) seguimos diciendo que No portamos Armas de fuego por que la Vida Vale [#PrimerolaVida](#) @IANSAnetwork @AlcaldiadeMed @PazDDHHmed @mesaporlavida @Redepaz_Oficial @con pazmed @PazConsejo



**SEHLAC** @redsehlac · Jun 7

#GWOA2024

¡Hoy nos sumamos a [#VestimosDeNaranja](#) con [@COL_SIN_MINAS](#) por ser el Día de Concientización sobre la Violencia Armada! [#WearOrange](#) para honrar la memoria de aquellos que han perdido sus vidas a causa de la violencia armada, pedimos por la paz y el desarme.

**CAMPAÑA COLOMBIANA CONTRA MINAS**
PRIMERO LAS PERSONAS**SEHLAC**
SEGURIDAD HUMANA EN LATINOAMÉRICA Y EL CARIBE



**Fosda Ghana** @fosdagh · Jun 11

Firearm possession is governed by strict laws in Ghana to ensure safety and security. Individuals who meet these specific criteria can legally own a firearm.

[#EndGunViolenceNow](#)

@SmallArmsGh

**GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE**
"A World Without Gun Violence Turning Words Into Action"

WHO CAN POSSESS FIREARM ?

**AGE**
18 years and above

**CRIMINAL RECORD**
Without Criminal traits or records

**PHYSICAL STATE**
Person must be physically fit

**LAWFUL SUCCESSOR**
Lawful successor to a previous lawful possessor

**MENTAL STATE**
Person must be of Good character and mentally sound

**MEANS & SAFETY**
Financial means to purchase and a place of security to keep firearm

Source: Small Arms Commission Ghana
#EndGunViolenceNow

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Global Week of Action
Against Gun Violence
26 June - 01 July



The Philippines has one of the highest rates of gun-related deaths in Southeast Asia (Time Magazine, 2022)
Government, please take effective measures to prevent gun violence!



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Center for Peace Education Miriam College

June 3 · 🌐

"You don't need a gun to be a man"

Gun violence is a deeply-rooted gender issue. As we observe the Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence, let us challenge our society's gender norms by championing the belief that true masculinity is characterized by integrity and compassion, never by firearms.

#GWAAgainstGunViolence



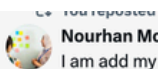
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June 2 · 🌐

Filipinos lives are at risk. According to a Time Magazine report in 2019, there were about 1,200 intentional killings involving firearms in that year alone.

Prevent the proliferation of guns and save lives now!

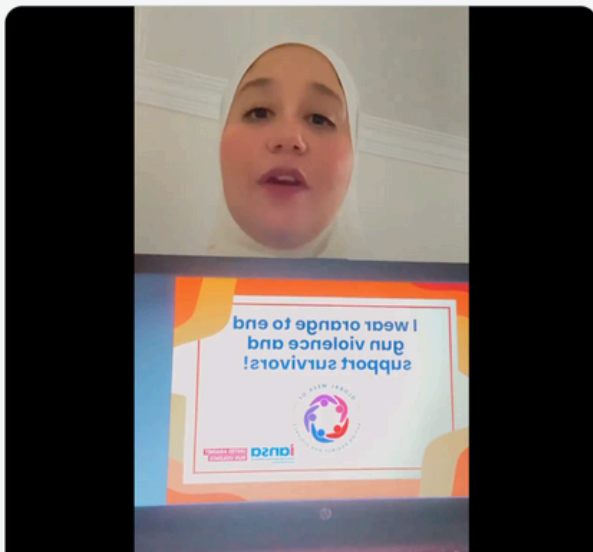
#GWAAgainstGunViolence



Nourhan Moustafa @nourhanmousta14 · Jun 9

I am add my voice in the Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence! Let's work together and turn words into actions for a world without gun violence.
#GWA2024 🗣️

@IANSAnetwork @IHL_Lawstudents



International Humanitarian Law&Youth initiative @IHL_Lawstuder · Jun 10 · ...

Today marks the beginning of the SALW PoA and #YoungWomen Workshop Starting today at 9:30 AM New York

Three days of diverse discussions with speakers from various backgrounds, aimed at empowering young women to make a difference. We have experts with strong backgrounds #GWA2024

