

# PEACE 1919



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# 2019

WOMEN VOTE PEACE TODAY!

## HERSTORY COMPLEMENTING HISTORY

Women's struggle for voting rights and equality in different political and historical circumstances in Europe.

Women as agents of change for a peaceful development after the disaster of WW1 in their societies and in solidarity.

Challenges 100 years later: threatened rights and freedom, militarisation vs disarmament, solidarity vs new nationalism.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

### GERMANY

11.-12.09.18 and 15.-16.01.19 / Munich  
"Dort kämpfen wo das Leben ist", Theater Play  
November & December 2018 / Munich & Berlin  
European seminar and coordination meeting

### POLAND

04-07.03.19 / Krakow  
Cafe „Wybory“, discussion evenings with documentaries on suffrage movement, JOW biographic-historical workshops  
29.-31.03.19 / Warsaw  
100 Years of women's vote: - Celebration or Mobilisation?"  
International conference with experts and feminist activists

### SPAIN

February - March / Madrid and Zaragoza / Open Seminars  
Women's right to vote in Spain, the case of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance (IWSA) Congress in Madrid.

### AUSTRIA

November 2019 / Vienna  
final evaluation and film screening

### UNITED KINGDOM

30.01. & 07.02.2019 / London  
archive training for volunteers at LSE, London  
05.04.2019 / London  
Women of Colour in the 1919 Peace Movement, conversation and seminar at LSE, London

### ALL TOGETHER - SWITZERLAND

10.-11.05.2019 / Zürich (#Zurich19)  
historical re-enactments of the conference, Plea for women's involvement in the upcoming European elections



## DETAILED PROGRAM INFORMATION

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# 2018/

## AIMS AND VISIONS

Prevention on the basis of a feminist analysis of root causes of war and violence.

Protection of women from all forms of violence.

Participation of women in peace negotiations and all levels of decision making and democracy building.

Cooperation and solidarity cross-border and promotion of European narratives.

Documentary on courageous women to give women a voice in politics



## ZURICH CONGRESS 1919

"The military way has ruined itself – we women define principles for a just and lasting peace!"

### WOMEN DELEGATES FROM 15 COUNTRIES:

23 American, 23 British, 3 Australian, 4 Austrian, 6 Danish, 3 Dutch, 3 French, 27 German, 2 Hungarian, 3 Irish, 1 Italian, 5 Norwegian, 1 Romanian, 11 Swedish, 18 Swiss and 4 Polish delegates. The French government barred the French delegation from attending.



**JANE ADDAMS:** "Our Congress is an alternative to the traditional conventions of state-centric and male-dominated international relations playing out in Paris/Versailles. I honour you women from both sides of the conflict who, because of your opposition to the war, have faced harassment and approbation from your governments and fellow citizens. The war methods of government espionage against pacifists are identical in all nations. You will share with one another your wartime experiences, hopes for the future, and how you will advocate for post-war social reform in your home countries".

**CLARA RAGAZ:** "Even if we hold different opinions, one thing is undeniable, women can only come in their full inheritance in a state or a community life, which is founded not on force but on justice, a unity based on a living and yet unified variety".


## RESOLUTIONS


- ✗ **Total and universal disarmament**
- ✗ **Full and equal suffrage and the full equality of women with men politically, socially, and economically, including equality for women in marriage, education, job training; the end of slavery and sex trade;**
- ✗ **Save humanity and bring about the permanent reconciliation and union of the peoples. End food blockades for the relief of the people from famine and pestilence.**


 **LEOPOLDINE KULKA / 1872-1920** AUSTRIA  
Austrian publicist and a writer. At an early age she joined the General Austrian Women's Association (GAWA) and became its vice-president in 1911. Concerned about peace issues and was writing regularly for political magazines for women.


 **YELLA HERTZKA / 1873-1948** AUSTRIA  
Austrian suffragette, publisher, gardener and founder of the first Higher Gardening School for girls in Austria. From 1921 President of the Austrian section of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF). In 1921, Organiser of 3rd International Congress of Women's League in Vienna


 **JEANNE MÉLIN / 1877-1964** FRANCE  
Mélin a French pacifist, feminist, writer and politician. She fought for peace between France and Germany, and for the right of women to vote. She was a candidate for election as President of France in 1947.

 **GABRIELLE DUCHÈNE / 1870-1954** FRANCE  
French militant feminist, trade unionist, pacifist, anti-fascist, working with the communist party and other progressive movements.

 **ANITA AUGSPURG / 1857-1943** GERMANY  
Germany's first woman lawyer and activist of the radical bourgeois movement. Equal rights mean in a feminist perspective priority to voting rights and political participation with the aim to stop war and violence. Requested together with Heymann the expulsion of Hitler in 1923. Died in exile in Switzerland.

 **GERTRUD BAER / 1890-1981** GERMANY  
Jewish women's rights and peace activist, co-chair of WILPF international until 1947; her mother was already engaged with the British suffragette movement. First WILPF consultant to the United Nations.

 **LIDA GUSTAVA HEYMANN / 1868-1943** GERMANY  
Co-founder of the abolitionist movement in Germany and the "Society for Women's Suffrage". Published together with Augspurg the newspaper Frau im Staat which presented pacifist, feminist and democratic positions on various subjects.


 **DR. ALETTA JACOBS / 1854-1929** HOLLAND  
First woman medical student in Holland. As women's activist, organised the 1st women's Peace congress in the Hague in 1915 and served as vice-president of WILPF for many years. Tried successfully to introduce women suffrage in Holland as a stipulation for peace. Went to the Congress in Zurich in 1919.


 **MIEN VAN WULFFTEN PALTHE-BROEZE VAN GROENOU** HOLLAND  
1875-1960  
Dutch feminist and pacifist; activist for women's right to vote. Engaged with the first WILPF Congress in the Hague 1915. Went in 1919 to Zurich to discuss how to avoid future wars.

 **ROSA GENONI** 1867-1954 ITALY  
Highly innovative designer, staunch defender of the rights of garment workers and advocate of the rights of women in particular. As WW1 broke out, she became an active participant in the Int. Women's Peace movement, participated in the congresses in the Hague and Zurich, supported refugees.

 **MARIA DULĘBIANKA / 1861-1919** POLAND  
Famous painter and women's activist in Poland and 1st candidate to parliament (1908) when voting rights for women were not yet confirmed.

 **WŁADYSŁAWA HABICHT / 1867-1964** POLAND  
Worked in a post office and struggled for women's rights. Co-founder of the women's housing cooperative (1904). After restoring of the Polish state in 1918, she was candidate of the women's committee for parliamentary election.

 **CLARA CAMPOAMOR RODRÍGUEZ / 1888-1972** SPAIN  
Lawyer and feminist, internationalist, pacifist politician, was one of the first women MP's in Spain, 1931-33, Director of Public Assistance in the Government, 1933-1934. Spanish women owe her their right to vote. In 1931, struggled alone for women's suffrage and after a hard debate in the Spanish Parliament she won it. Spain was the first Latin country to obtain it.

 **CLARA RAGAZ / 1874-1957** SWITZERLAND  
Swiss activist for women rights and peace; sees the interdependency of the social question, women's rights and war and peace and a need for radical, but non-violent changes in the economic for the needs of the people, justice and equality.

 **CHARLOTTE DESPARD / 1844-1939** UNITED KINGDOM  
British writer, suffragist, founder of Women's Freedom League, organising civil disobedience and tax resistance.

 **CHRYSTAL MACMILLAN / 1872-1937** UNITED KINGDOM  
Suffragist, peace activist, barrister. First woman to graduate in science graduate from the Edinburgh University. Worked all her life nationally and internationally for women's equality.

