## It's time to re-set the peace table

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The International Peace Institute has launched a project aimed at enhancing the participation of women in peace processes at all levels.

From the dinner table to the boardroom table, women's participation in decision-making is increasing in societies around the world. But the peace table still lags behind, despite many international commitments requiring women's equal representation. Women are recognized for building peace in their communities, but only 9% of delegates in formal peace processes are women and 2% of high-level mediators are women. The quality of peace may be suffering as a result.

Decisions at the peace table affect the future of society. But in today's peace talks, the majority of people around the table carried a weapon during the war. What effect could a more inclusive peace table have on ending violence and creating durable peace? What are the obstacles to increasing women's participation in peace processes, and how can they be overcome?

By answering these questions, the International Peace Institute will provide evidence to show the impact of women's participation and how it can be achieved—sharing the results with the decision-makers who set the peace table.

Your donation will contribute to documenting the impact of women in peace processes, highlighting the stories of women peacemakers, exploring ways forward with policymakers, and changing the reality of women's roles in war and peace.

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