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Panel 1: Afghan Delegation



Ms. Sayeda Mojgan Mostafavi – Deputy Minister at Women Afghan Affairs

Ms. Mostafavi began a Language and Literature of Kabul Bachelor study in 1990, and continued with a Social Communication Science Master in the Journalism department. She followed this up by becoming a Lecturer in Journalism at Kabul University, a job she still does with great interest. At the beginning of 2006, she became the Director of public relations and Information of the Ministry of Women Affairs of Afghanistan. In the summer of 2006, she began a research project for the Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission, looking into the effect of customs on Afghan Women. In January 2008, she was made Deputy Minister of MOWA, and continues in this field to this day.



Samira Hamidi – Afghanistan Country Director AWN

Ms. Samira Hamidi was born in Kabul, and received her bachelor's degree for Business Administration from Pakistan. In 1998, she began her career as a United Nations Development Program Administrative Assistant, moving on to work with the UN Development Programme Ministry of Interior as a Gender Mainstreaming Coordinator. Here, she worked on the UN Resolution 1325, and organized a training programme to end violence against women. Since 2009, Ms. Samira Hamidi works as the Afghanistan Country Director for Afghan Women's Network. She is also currently a Gender Trainer for the UNDP, and a participant of the National Peace Consultative Jirga which took place last year.



Farkhunda Zahra Naderi – Member of Parliament

Farkhunda Zahra Naderi was born in Afghanistan, and completed her primary and secondary education in the Kabul and Baghlan provinces. In 2007, Ms. Naderi completed her Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies from Westminster International University in Tashkent, Uzbekistan. Thereafter, Ms. Naderi joined the Hzbi Paiwandi Meli Afghanistan's Political Party (HPMA) in order to encourage women's participation in politics and to corporate with youths. She was appointed Head of Women's Committee & Youth Association later that year, and since then, she has organized many projects, activities and initiatives.



Dr. Fatima Aziz – Member of Parliament Kunduz

Dr. Fatima Aziz was born in 1969 in Kunduz Province. She graduated from with a degree from the Medical Faculty from Kabul University and thereafter worked as a medical doctor in Kabul for 13 years. She subsequently began to work for international NGOs, and she currently serves as Member of Parliament representing Kunduz in the Wolesi Jirga.