

Women Interest group Report	Chair: Darja Zavirsek Co-chair: Fran Waugh	Zhang Lixi, Surinder Guru, Carolyne Noble, Helle Strauss, Nilsa Burgos
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Dear colleagues,

-Chair communicated with the organizers of the 2018 Dublin congress and agreed to have a women's stream during the conference. The topics announced for the call of the papers were also agreed: refugee women's issues; disabled women's issues; migrant women, care workers and the specific issues; work and family issues; feminist research and gender research; women's history ; teaching gender and feminist social work; women and violence; -sexuality and identity; women's reproductive rights; women in vulnerable contexts and social inequalities; Women and political conflicts ; local specific inequalities.

During the conference, Themes under this strand will run each day. There will also be a Symposium to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Women Interest group of the IASSW, which we plan to be one of the major events celebrated together with the pioneers of the feminist social work. More work will be done in regard of the Dublin congress now when the call for abstracts is out.

-Shirley G. Gabel, Lynne Healy and Darja Zaviršek in the name of the IASSW made a presentation for the UN NGO meeting in New York (17. March 2017), which was presented by Shirley Gab, based in the NYC. The title: »The pitfalls of today's neoliberal economy for women's economic empowerment: lassw global survey". The presentation was based on the Darja's and Fran's questionnaire which was sent to the IASSW members (see previous reports).

-Fran and Darja will send out the questionnaire a few more times before the Dublin conference in order to get a more comprehensive picture on what is going on in regard of women's perspective in social work education.

Sincerely,



Darja Zaviršek, chair