

Moriko Hori at Kosovo's government Forum on Women, Peace, and Security

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The Forum on Women, Peace, and Security 2-3rd June 2025 (#WPS2025), held under the patronage of President Vjosa Osmani Sadriu in Kosovo, brought together over 1,000 participants from 45 countries to discuss the critical issue of protecting children from the devastating consequences of war. Among the distinguished guests was Ms. Moriko Hori, the international President of our organization, who was invited as a guest speaker on the panel



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Ms. Hori delivered a compelling speech emphasizing Rwanda's remarkable journey toward peace and reconciliation following the genocide that claimed over a million lives in a short span. She used Rwanda as a powerful case study, illustrating how the government adopted an innovative model course focused on peacebuilding and national healing. This comprehensive approach includes peace education programs that actively involve all stakeholders - government officials, law enforcement, youth, parents, and educators - in rebuilding the nation's social fabric.



She highlighted the importance of government-led initiatives in overcoming hatred and breaking the cycle

of violence. Additionally, Ms. Hori emphasized the vital role of forgiveness in the healing process, explaining that forgiveness is essential for reconciliation and rebuilding trust after such profound trauma.



Furthermore, Ms. Hori shared the inspiring efforts made by WFWPI (Women's Federation for World Peace International) following the war. She mentioned that ten Japanese volunteers traveled to Rwanda to support local communities by providing vocational training and education for women and children. She underlined the significance of women helping women, emphasizing that women's empowerment and solidarity are crucial for sustainable peace and reconstruction.



Ms. Hori stressed that peacebuilding is a complex process, but with the right structures, mechanisms, and community efforts, progress is achievable. Rwanda's example demonstrates that fostering understanding, reconciliation, and unity requires a concerted, multi-sectoral effort.

Her insights serve as a powerful reminder of the transformative power of education, governance, forgiveness, and women's active participation in healing wounds inflicted by conflict. Her presentation reinforced the importance of collaborative efforts to prevent violence and promote peace, especially for future generations. The forum provided a valuable platform for sharing impactful strategies, inspiring nations worldwide to prioritize peacebuilding and protect children from the scars of war.