PROGRAM SCHEDULE

08:00 - 09:00	Registration / Welcome Coffee	
09:00 - 09:20 Stefaniensaal	OPENING AND INTRODUCTION	Sophie Karmasin (Federal Minister, Family and Youth Manuela Khom (Second President, Styrian Parliamen Thomas Rajakovics (Spokesperson, Mayor Graz) Sebastian Kurz (Federal Minister, Europe, Integration & Foreign Affairs)
09:20 - 09:40 Stefaniensaal	KEY NOTE The UN's response to CRSV	Zainab Hawa Bangura (UN Special Representative, Sexual Violence in Conflict)
09:40 - 10:00 Stefaniensaal	KEY NOTE Sexual violence – responsibility & accountability	Rigoberta Menchú Tum (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate)
10:00 - 11:00 Stefaniensaal	SESSION 1 Setting the Scene – Trends and patterns on CRSV including as a tactic of terrorism and the situation of women in the conflicts in Iraq and Syria and the wider Middle East and Northern Africa (MENA) region • What are specific trends and patterns of CRSV in the MENA region? • What are the specific challenges women are facing? • What is the specific impact of violent extremism on women?	Letitia Anderson (OSRSG/SVC) Mara Marinaki (EU Principal Adviser, Gender Issues and 1325) Ibrahim Al Kasem (Lawyer, Syria) Brenda Muturi (Pan African Gender Justice, OXFAM) Ali Akram Zainalabdeen (Chief, Turkmen Rescue Foundation) Moderator: Peter Launsky-Tieffenthal (Director General for Development)
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 - 13:00 Stefaniensaal	SESSION 2 The role of grass roots women in combating CRSV • What is the role of grass roots women to end CRSV? • How can women be enabled to become agents of change? How have you empowered women to become agents of change? • How can women contribute to reducing the stigma of victims of CRSV? How can women contribute to prevention and early warning? • What can we do to ensure that women are not left behind in public and political life? • How can we better connect grass roots women's work up the chain to national and international policies and programs? • How can peace roads be made sensitive to protect and support women? • What kind of support for long-term development strategies to empower women both as individuals and in their capacity for collective action is needed? • How can accountability at national and international level be strengthened so that humanitarian efforts include policies, systems and mechanisms necessary to include women?	Leymah Gbowee (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate) Sabah Al Hallak (Syrian Women's League) Khanum R. Latif (Director, NGO ASUDA, Iraq) Maria Al Abdeh (Executive Director, Women Now) Chahnaz Abdulghafour (Human Rights Activist, Syria) Khidher Domle (Expert in Media, Peace-building and Minorities, Iraq) Theresa Bergmann (INCAF/OECD) Moderator: Jody Williams (Nobel Peace Prize Laureat
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break	
14:30 - 16:00 Stefaniensaal	SESSION 3 Strategies to combat CRSV in the MENA region and the specific role of grass roots women in these strategies How can grass roots women contribute to prevention and early warning? How can they promote social acceptance of survivors? How do they promote women's participation in political processes? How can humanitarian first responders play a role in documenting and channelling relevant information to accountability mechanisms?	Ulrike Lunacek (Vice President, European Parliament Marianne Bauer (OSRSG/SVC) Michael Bimmler (Justice Rapid Response) Cassandra Atlas (MADRE) Khawla Akel (GBV National Programme Specialist, UNFPA Syria) Moderator: Ursula Plassnik (former Austrian Foreign Minister)
15:00 – 17:00 (PARALLEL) Tummelplatz Graz	SPEAKERS CORNER	Leymah Gbowee (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate) Rigoberta Menchú Tum (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate) Jody Williams (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate) with students from Graz (open to public)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break	
16:30 - 17:00 Stefaniensaal	CONCLUDING REMARKS Chair's Summary and way forward	Ursula Plassnik (former Austrian Foreign Minister) Nobel Peace Prize Laureates