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Briefing Series on Accountability

Truth and Reparations for Northern Ireland: A Gender-Integrated Approach

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10:00 – 11:00 AM
2255 Rayburn House Office Building

Panelists



Dr. Catherine O'Rourke is Senior Lecturer in Human Rights and International Law and Gender Research Coordinator at the Transitional Justice Institute, Ulster University. She has an ongoing role in gender and conflict research and policy-making for the United Nations, the British and Irish governments, and for a number of non-governmental organisations.

Andrée Murphy LLM is Deputy Director of the Irish NGO Relatives for Justice (RFJ), which supports persons and families bereaved and injured by conflict. Andrée is involved in legacy advocacy in RFJ, including developing strategic litigation and broader partnership work aimed at establishing a truth recovery process post conflict for families. Andrée has been centrally involved in the development of Relatives for Justice mainstreaming of gender in all of its support and research programmes, resulting in the publication of "Dealing with the Past in Ireland: Where Are the Women," published and launched by Relatives for Justice in February 2015.



Mary McCallan qualified as a Solicitor in England and Wales, working in private practice before moving to the voluntary sector. Mary was responsible for WAVE Trauma Centres Advocacy & Casework Service, supporting families practically and emotionally to seek information about their bereavement or injury. She has undertaken an LLM in Human Rights & Transitional Justice and is as a Legal Member of the Appeals Tribunals.

Moderator



Leah Wing is Senior Lecturer, Legal Studies Program, Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts-Amherst and a member of Healing Through Remembering (Belfast). Leah has been a consultant to the UN and over 100 governmental, NGO, and educational institutions on the integration of equality into conflict resolution and reconciliation processes.

She is co-director of the National Center for Technology and Dispute Resolution.