

**Spanish Women in International Security** (SWIIS or WIIS-Spain) was created in 2011, under the auspices of the Association of Spanish Graduates in Security and Defense (ADESyD, <a href="www.adesyd.es">www.adesyd.es</a>), as a WIIS international affiliate (WIIS-Global).

**ADESyD** is a citizens' network from diverse sectors, such as academic, diplomatic, political, legal, business, environmental, intelligence, Armed Forces and Law Enforcement Forces and Bodies, Public Administration, defense scientific-technological and cultural heritage fields or related, the media and non-governmental organizations.

**SWIIS** is a group of people committed to international security and we are very active organizing activities and networking:

**19 July 2017:** SWIIS Director, Dr. Marian Caracuel Raya, gave the conference "The dream of the European Union's Security and Defence", organized by Campus Yuste's Summer Course 2017 "Perspectives, Strategies and EU challenges: The European dream in the new global context and a structured Europe"

**10-13 July 2017:** ADESyD 6<sup>th</sup> Summer Course: "The Security and Defence Policy at the service of the External Action and "Brand of Spain" (or Marca España). There were two important lectures on:

- "Gender issues in "Marca España", by Dr. Elena Peribañez Blasco, SWIIS member.
- "Spain and the European security and defence challenges posed by the Trump Administration: special strategic vulnerabilities?" by Dr. Ana Belén Perianes Bermúdez, SWIIS Coordinator.

June 2017: Article published by Dr. Marian Caracuel Raya, SWIIS Director, on "The New National Security Strategy Towards the inclusion of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda". *Spanish Defence Review*, June 2017.

http://www.adesyd.es/swiis/documentos/MPyS/Por la inclusi%C3%B3n de la Agen da%20Mujer Paz y Seguridad nueva Estrategia de Seguridad Nacional.pdf

**7 June 2017:** SWIIS participated in the presentation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Book on "Sharing views on Security", published by the Association of Spanish Graduates in Security and Defense (ADESyD).

**27 March 2017**: SWIIS co-hosted the Conference "Jihadist radicalization: The especial cases of young people and women", organized by the US Embassy in Madrid.

**8 February 2017**: Article published by Dr. Ana Belén Perianes Bermúdez, SWIIS Coordinator: "The significance of United Nations Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security". IMPAKTER Magazine.

http://impakter.com/significance-united-nations-council-resolution-1325-women-peace-security/

**18 November 2016**: SWIIS participated as guest to join the UN Women Committee simulation (COMPIMUN 2016), organized by the Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology at Complutense University (Madrid), and also to give the final speech at the closing ceremony.

**8 November 2016:** NATO's Public Diplomacy Division invited SWIIS to join the workshop "Women Think Tankers & Communicators", along with other Spanish women organizations. The purpose of this meeting was to analyze the Warsaw Summit conclusions and the NATO Women, Peace, and Security Agenda. Our Coordinator, Dr. Ana Belén Perianes participated in this workshop.

**18 October 2016:** SWIIS was invited to join NATO's Civil Society Advisory Panel (CSAP) on Women, Peace, and Security. Our Director, Dr. Marian Caracuel Raya participated in its first meeting in Brussels on 18 October 2016.

**11-14 July 2016:** 5<sup>th</sup> Summer Course "Spain's **role** in the International Security and Defense Organizations: Balance, perspectives, and challenges". Conference: "The influence of gender issues in the NATO Agenda", by LTC. (Army) Jesús Gil Ruiz, former NATO gender adviser.

**4 May 2016:** Participation in the Workshop "2<sup>nd</sup> National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security", organized by the Diplomatic School of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation in Madrid. We presented a paper on "*Protection in the WPS Agenda*".

http://www.adesyd.es/swiis/documentos/IIPMPS/Mesa 3 La%20protección en la A genda Mujer-Paz y Seguridad-Aportación de Maria Caracuel Raya.pdf

Since then, SWIIS has been collaborating with other women associations involved in these issues until the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security was finally approved by the Council of Ministers, in July 2017.

**10 December 2015**: Participation in the Workshop "Women and conflict: From victims to peace-makers", organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation in Madrid. Dr. Marian Caracuel gave a lecture, published in:

http://www.adesyd.es/swiis/documentos/MCP/Palabras%20de%20Marian%20Caracuel%20Raya%20en%20Mujeres%20en%20los%20conflictos%20de%20victimas%20a%20constructoras%20de%20paz.pdf

**29 October 2015**: Organization of the event "Europeans in Action: Women in Peacekeeping Operations", EU's headquarters in Madrid.

The program can be found at:

http://www.adesyd.es/swiis/documentos/EAMMP1/Triptico Mujeres en Misiones de Paz.pdf

Video "European women in action: Women in peace missions".

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NyLNVBsGTk&feature=youtu.be

Presentation of Dr. Marian Caracuel Raya

http://www.adesyd.es/swiis/documentos/EAMMP1/Palabras%20de%20Marian%20Caracuel%20en%20Europeas%20en%20acción%20Mujeres%20en%20misiones%20de%20paz.pdf

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

## **ADESyD-SWIIS Newsletters (Monthly)**

http://www.adesyd.es/boletines/boletines.php

### Active role in Twitter @SWIIS2011

#MujeresenSeguridadyDefensa

#WomeninSecurityandDefense

### **SELECTION OF PICTURES**



NATO's Civil Society Advisory Panel (#CSAP1325)



Presentation of the Book "Sharing Views on Security", CESEDEN, 7 June 2017





UN Model, Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology, Madrid



Participation in the Summer Course organized by Campus Yuste on "The dream of the European Security and Defence"

Dr. Marian Caracuel Raya was interviewed by the leading newspaper of the region on European Union's role in Security and Defence and Women, Peace and Security. She emphasized the important role of WIIS-Global.

# Un seminario de Campus Yuste analiza los desafíos de la Unión Europea

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Badajoz. Entre el miércoles y el vier-nes de la semana pasada, el semi-nario 'Perspectivas, estrategias y de-safios de la Unión Europea: el sue-

tica, con el obieto definir cómo enfrentarse a los retos y definir estra-tegias de futuro para poder afron-tarlos.

nario Perspectivas, estrategias y desafios de la Unión Europea: el suefio europeo en el nuevo contexto.

Una de las ponentes de la primera jornada del seminario fue Maraciacuel Raya, presidenta de
la Asociación de Diplomados Espertos. Estos abordaron, a través de
cuatro bloques temáticos, las pruebas a las que se enfrenta el Vejo
Continente en la coyuntura mundial, prestando especial atención a
las políticas migratorias y de integración y a su relación con el resto
del mundo.

Una mezcla de ponencias, debates y mesas redondas fue el sistema elegido por la Fundación Academia Europea de Viste para analizar las distintas cuestiones planteadas en el programa del curso dede de ma perspectiva multidisciplinar
y bajo una visión académica y prác-Una de las ponentes de la prime-

se ha ido «dotando de una política común de seguridad y defensa, que abarca no solo la defensa territorial, sino también nuevas misiones de gestión de crisis fuera de las fron-



te del seminario.

con poco el 7.5%, admite la ponente del seminario.

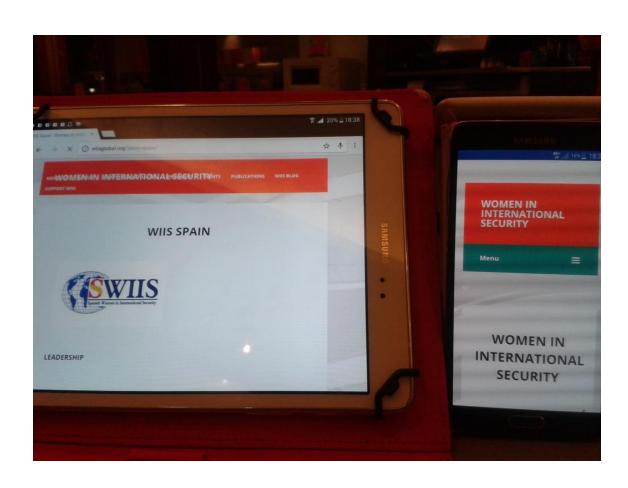
Los organismos internacionales
pretenden aumentar la presencia de
mujeres en las misiones de paz. «Naciones Unidas estableció el objetivo
de que el 20% de los efectivos
desplegados en los contingentes nacionales sean mujeres. Esto se está
cumpliendo en Colombia, donde
España tiene una misión en el marco de la ONU-, remarca la directora de Swiis, organización que forma parte de Adesyd y que está afiliada a la WIIS (Women in International Security), con sede en Washington.

Esta institución busca fomentar
el papel de la mujer como agente
activo de la construcción de la paz.

con poco el 7,5%, admite la ponen- «Trabajamos en la prevención de la violencia sexual y en la protección a mujeres y niños en situaciones de conflicto. Hay mucho que hacer para conflicto Hay mucho que hacer para que las mujeres adquieran un pa-pel relevante en la gestión y resolu-ción de estas situaciones», conclu-ye Caracuel, que valora muy posi-tivamente eventos como el desarro-llado en Campus Yuste, ya que sir-ve para «dar a conocer aquello por lo que trabajamos y para concien-ciar a la sociedad».

#### JUNTA DE EXTREMADURA







ADESyD SWIIS Students at the 6<sup>th</sup> Summer Course, July 2017



LTC. Jesus Gil on a Lecture on WPS



ADESyD's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congress "Sharing Views on Security", November 2016



SWIIS members at ADESyD's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congress



SWIIS members visit NATO's Headquarter in Brussels.



SWIIS members working lunch to share experiences on Security from a comprehensive point of view (civilian, military, police, cooperation...etc)



During a dinner hosted by the Spanish Ambassador to NATO, Mr. Miguel Aguirre de Cárcer.





SWIIS-ADESyD- Steering Board.



SWIIS Working Lunch



SWIIS members at the US Embassy in Madrid



WIIS Members with the Ombudswoman, Ms. Soledad Becerril, LTG Rafael Sánchez Ortega, Director of the National Higher Defence Studies Center (CESEDEN) and other authorities.



SWIIS organized "Europeans in Action: Women in Peacekeeping Operations", at EU's HQ in Madrid. From left to right, SWIIS Director, Mr. Matthijs van Bonzel, Ambassador of the Netherlands, Ms. Beatriz Rodriguez Salmones (SWIIS Member of Honor) and representatives of the EU and Presidency of the Government.