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Event | 09.04.2018 | 15:00 - 18:30

Our Bodies - Our Lives

Ending Reproductive Violence against Women in El Salvador

This conference is co-organised with the Heinrich Böll Foundation European Union.
There will be a videoscreening from a parallel conference in San Salvador.
Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and Spanish.

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

14:30-15:00
Registration

15:00-15:15
Welcome and introduction by **Molly Scott Cato** & **Ernest Urtasun**, Members of the European Parliament (MEPs)

15:15-16:00
Panel I : The absolute criminalization of abortion and its consequences over women's life in El Salvador
Chair: **Bodil Valero**, Member of the European Parliament (MEP)

- Presentation of the new documentary *"The sound of conscience"* by Swedish-Salvadoran filmmaker **Israel Benavides** on abortion in El Salvador. Screening the film trailer and discussion (confirmed)

- Law on abortion and its consequences, **Bertha De Léon** - Lawyer, Colectiva feminista (confirmed)

Q&A (10 min)

16:00-17:00
Panel II: Female lives matter
Chair: **Terry Reintke**, MEP

- **Teodora del Carmen Vásquez**, recently released woman, speaks out (confirmed)
- **María Teresa Rivera**, convicted of abortion, then freed, currently living in Sweden, granted political asylum (confirmed)
- **Victoria Carolina Ramírez Estrada**, gynaecologist on direct consequences of the law (confirmed)
- **Christa Rahner- Göhring**, Amnesty International El Salvador Coordination Group Germany, on the international support campaigns (confirmed)

Q&A (10 min)

17:00-18:00
Panel III : Towards a change of the Abortion Law in El Salvador (video conference)
Chair: **Ernest Urtasun**, MEP

- **Johnny Wright Sol**, member of the legislative Assembly of El Salvador (video conference) (confirmed)
- **Lorena Peña**, member of the legislative Assembly of El Salvador (video conference) (tbc)
- **Catalina Martínez Coral**, regional director for Latin America and the Caribbean - Center for Reproductive Rights (confirmed)
- **Julia Emma Villatoro Tario**, Ambassador of El Salvador to the EU and Belgium (confirmed)

Q&A (10 min)

18-00-18:30
Panel IV : Wrapping up: Action Plan to get women free and support the changing of the law
Chair: **Molly Scott-Cato**, MEP

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