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## **A Discussion on Gender and Security with Her Excellency, Mme. Bineta Diop African Union Special Envoy on Women, Peace, and Security**

### **Biography**

#### **Her Excellency, Mme. Bineta Diop, African Union Special Envoy on Women Peace and Security**

H.E. Mme. Bineta Diop was appointed by the Chairperson of the African Union Commission as Special Envoy on Women, Peace and Security in January 2014. She is the Founder and President of Femmes Africa Solidarité (FAS), an international NGO that seeks to foster, strengthen and promote the leadership role of women in conflict prevention, management and resolution in Africa. She played an instrumental role in achieving gender parity within the African Union Commission's leadership and in the adoption of the Solemn Declaration on Gender Equality in Africa as well as the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and People's Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa. She has led peace building programs as well as many women's peace and security initiatives. Mme. Diop was named one of the 100 most influential people in the world by Time Magazine in 2011. She was co-chair of the World Economic Forum on Africa in 2014.