

2019 **WE EMPOWER WOMEN** [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

*Conference under the Patronage of Dr. Juliane Bogner-Strauss,  
Federal Minister for Women, Families and Youth, Austria*

## **FORCED AND EARLY MARRIAGE - A Severe Human Rights Violation**

Diplomatische Akademie, Favoritenstraße 15a, 1040 Vienna, Austria  
May 24, 2019 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Zonta International supports the UNICEF/UNFPA program to end child marriage in 12 countries: Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Sierra Leone, Uganda, Yemen and Zambia.

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| 9.00 - 9.45 am          | Registration  |
| <b>9.45 – 10.00 am</b>  | <b>Welcome and presentation of the program</b><br>Ingeborg Geyer (Zonta International UN)<br>Margot Fleck (ZIF Ambassador D14)              |
| <b>10.00 – 10.30 am</b> | <b>Ending Child Marriage: A Program to Accelerate Action to End Child Marriage</b><br>Susanne von Bassewitz (ZONTA International President) |
| <b>10.30 – 11.00 am</b> | <b>The Economic Impact of Child Marriage on Society (tbc)</b><br>Quentin Wodon (Worldbank)  |
| <b>11.00 – 11.30 am</b> | <b>FGM – A Harmful Traditional Practice</b><br>Petra Bayr (StopFGM)   |
| <b>11.30 – 11.45 am</b> | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br>moderated by Shams Asadi (Human Rights Commissioner of the City of Vienna)                                       |
| 11.45 – 12.15 pm        | coffee break  |

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- 12.15 – 12.45 pm**     **Organised crime and Forced Marriage**  
Gerald Tatzgern (Federal Ministry of the Interior)
- 12.45 – 13.15 pm**     **Insights into the circumstances which are leading girls and young women to Child Marriage in humanitarian crises settings**  
Rime Allaf (UNODC)
- 12.45 – 14.00 pm     Lunch break
- 14.00 – 15.00 pm**     **Good practices, examples presented as Marketplaces**  
Zonta Golden Z Club of Vienna
- 15.00 – 15.30 pm**     **Support for affected women**  
Nawja Duzda (Verein Orientexpress)
- 15.30 – 16.00 pm**     **Insight into the work in Beirut**  
Wafaa Daou (ZC Beirut, AD 04, District 14)
- 16.00 -16.15 pm     Coffee break
- 16.15 – 16.45 pm**     **Closing**  
Susanne von Bassewitz (ZONTA International President)

7.00 pm – open end     **Heuriger „Hergott aus Sta“** ([www.hergottaussta.at](http://www.hergottaussta.at))