



World Conference  
of Women's Shelters

# 3<sup>rd</sup> World Conference of Women's Shelters

3 - 6 november 2015  
The Netherlands

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Violence against women is widespread and is perhaps the greatest crime against humanity of all time. The Global Network of Women's Shelters (GNWS) is a voice for survivors and shelters that serve them. Following the successful World Shelter Conferences in 2008 (Edmonton, Canada) and in 2012 (Washington, USA), GNWS has asked the Dutch Foundation of Women's Shelters and its partners to organise the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Conference of Women's Shelters in the Netherlands.

## Objectives

The primary objective of the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Conference is to provide a platform for learning and sharing of experiences. Goal of this exchange is to contribute to a worldwide systematic approach to combating violence against women and their children in order to increase safety, independence and strength of women worldwide.

This conference is the platform for creating new formal and informal international cooperation to strengthen and enlarge the Global Network of Women's Shelters and to translate commitments into actions.

This conference will give a massive boost to the common goal: End All Violence Against Women

## Who should attend?

The conference aims at bringing together 1.500-2.000 advocates – women and men – engaged in combating domestic violence and violence against women from all over the world. The main target group is practitioners from women's shelters and other NGO's working directly in the prevention of violence and the support to victims.

We welcome (new) partners at the conference. Interlinking of cooperating organisations, scientists, governments, business community is essential for an effective approach to violence.

## When & Where

3 – 6 November 2015  
The Hague – The Netherlands

## Information

[www.worldshelterconference.org](http://www.worldshelterconference.org)



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