



# ***INEQUALITY***

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Bazaar of Ideas

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# KEYNOTE

9.30 AM - 10.30 AM

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## FRANCES STEWART

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Frances Stewart, Professor Emeritus of development economics at Oxford, is a renowned pioneer of research on the link between horizontal inequalities and conflict. Since the turn of the century, her groundbreaking work on human development approaches to quell violence in developing countries has gained traction in international development, peacebuilding and statebuilding policy, as exhibited most recently in the joint UN-World Bank study on conflict prevention, 'Pathways to Peace', for which she sat on the Advisory Committee.

Throughout her career, Prof. Stewart has forged new frontiers of thought in development economics, and her research has directly informed many of today's current ideas and international interventions to address and prevent violent conflict around the globe. In this way, she has proven a valuable influence on international development policy, not only in the specific findings of her research, but also the way in which that knowledge may be taken up and usefully applied in international policies. As Director (2003-2010) of the Centre for Research on Inequality, Human Security and Ethnicity (CRISE) she led research programs that contributed directly to the development strategies and programs of several UN agencies and committees and the World Bank, and has directed major programs financed by UK DfID, the Carnegie Corporation, and the Swedish Development Agency.

Prof. Stewart will use her opening address to situate the role of horizontal inequalities in the context of current policy, and specifically the ongoing migration crisis, the policy responses it has provoked, and the assumptions that appear to underpin these responses.



## 10:45 - 11:45 / Citizenship Stripping as a Security Measure: Towards More Inequality?

Citizenship stripping as a security measure is increasingly used, but do we know what this means in practice? How does it affect the lives of real people? How widespread is its use and is it in conformity with international law? Moreover, can it be seen as an effective counter-terrorism measure or will it lead to more inequality and less security in the long run? This session will address all these different questions, starting with the impressive story of Jawad Fairouz, a Bahraini MP who was stripped of his citizenship and made stateless, and who now lives in exile in the UK.

Speakers:  
Christophe Paulussen, *TMC Asser Institute* / Laura van Waas, *Institute for Statelessness and Inclusion* / Jawad Fairouz, *former MP in Bahrain*

## 12:00 - 13:00 / How Can Gender Equality Transform Security and Justice?

With a focus on policing and justice, this session will explore what factors seem to matter in ensuring the effectiveness of interventions aimed at improving gender equitable access to security and justice. From strategies like recruitment of a more gender diverse police service and judiciary, to specialised police units and courts to deal with violence against women, the effectiveness of such strategies in improving gender responsiveness is decidedly mixed. This panel will consider where the challenges are, what factors seem to make a difference, and what needs to be done differently to improve the effectiveness of such efforts, and ultimately reduce unequal access to security and justice.

Speakers:  
Lisa Denney, *ODI* / Pilar Domingo, *ODI* / Megan Bastick, *DCAF* / Callum Watson, *DCAF*

## 14:00 - 15:15 / Achieving SDG16 in Tunisia: Reflections by the government, the UN, and civil society

Seven years after the 2011 Revolution, Tunisia's transition continues to be among the most successful and promising for the Arab Spring countries. After deep political crisis in 2013, the country chose the path of consensus that has so far produced a progressive constitution, allowed for municipal, parliamentary, and presidential elections, and permitted several peaceful transfers of power between successive governments. The UN system has been a partner for Tunisia's sustainable development in several sectors, including the areas targeted by SDG16. The international community, including the Netherlands is stepping up its commitment to Tunisia in partnership with the UN and the World Bank. This session will examine what role the international community can play in achieving SDG16. The UN Resident Coordinator, and representatives from the Government of Tunisia and a national NGO will discuss what the challenges and opportunities are, what the international community can offer and what Tunisia in turn requires from them.

Speakers:  
Diego Zorrilla, *United Nations* / Ines Kharrat Driss, *Office of the Presidency of Government of Tunisia* / Neila Akrimi, *CILG-VNGi* / Moncef Kartas, *Maharbal*

## 15:30 - 16:30 / Fech nestannew: What are we waiting for?

Tunisia showcases that national elections and a new constitution alone cannot overcome a legacy of inequality. Social and economic reforms remain toothless if state institutions do not have the capacity to translate policies into positive action, enforce laws equally, and uphold the rule of law. The municipal elections held in May 2018 were expected to reinvigorate the public's enthusiasm for political participation. Yet Tunisians and most notably the youth showed little interest. Instead the country faces continued unrest. Disillusioned and frustrated, the youth now say, "we are fed up with false promises and can no longer wait".

Speakers:  
Leanne McKay, *Maharbal* / Moncef Kartas, *Maharbal* / Matt Herbert, *Maharbal*



## 10:45 - 11:45 / Finding the Sweet Spot: Is there a Role for Business in Peacebuilding?

We have seen a renewed emphasis on the role of the private sector in improving conditions of fragility and conflict, but little clear evidence. What are the real world implications of business operations in these contexts and what does a successful company(ies)-led peace initiative look like? If you want to know more, join this session, which will share lessons from a learning initiative about business actors as peacebuilders, supported by the KMF. Through an interactive discussion, the session will discuss findings about the what, why, and how of businesses engaging in building peace. And importantly, how we development and peacebuilding actors can effectively engage businesses in our efforts to address issues of inequality and conflict.

Speakers:

Polly Byers, *CDA Collaborative Learning* / Brian Ganson, *Africa Centre for Dispute Settlement*

## 12:00 - 13:00 / Workshop: Building a Dataset

International IDEA, with support from the KMF is currently developing a dataset on constitution-building processes in fragile and conflict-affected settings. The dataset will provide potential users with systematic information about constitution-building processes in fragile and conflict-affected states from 2001 to today. This practitioner workshop will explore the process behind building a dataset, sharing lessons learned, challenges and opportunities for building datasets in the future.

Speakers:

Kimana Zulueta-Fülscher, *International IDEA*

## 14:00 - 15:15 / How to Reform Police in Bukavu, DR Congo (SESSION IN FRENCH)

How can internal and external actors encourage reform in the profoundly politicized police service of Bukavu, DR Congo? The police rank and file live from day to day, struggling to make ends meet. The best answer may be to scale down ambitions and target realistically. External interventions cannot change governance structures of state institutions by themselves. What they can do, however, is to make tangible differences in the daily lives of those who serve, reducing economic inequalities for those who have considerable discretion and influence on the practice of policing itself: street-level police officers. This session, presented by KMF grantees, will examine how alleviating the scarcity they face at home and work will in turn increase the quality of police service for its beneficiaries in Bukavu.

Please note that this session will take place in French.

Speakers:

Robert Njangala, *SAJECEK* / Josaphat Musamba, *GEC-SH* / Michel Thill, *Ghent University*

## 15:30 - 16:30 / Challenges of Plural Security Provision in Iraq

(In)security in Iraq is characterized by the simultaneous existence of the Popular Mobilization Units (an amalgam of paramilitary forces), the Iraqi Security Forces (ISF) and various Kurdish security forces. The parallel interests, roles, capabilities, statuses and presences of these groups create inequality in access to security and provision of security, especially because most groups outside the ISF are related to political parties or partisan interests. For example, the activities of several Hashd groups have recently shifted in part from fighting the Islamic State into electoral competition and reconstruction support, but it is unclear whether this will reduce inequality in access/provision of security, or rather extend it to Iraqi politics and its economy. Meanwhile, the Iraqi state itself is in dire straits given unresolved issues of Kurdish autonomy, Sunni engagement, corruption and large-scale protests.

Speakers:

Nancy Ezzeddine, *Clingendael* / Renad Mansour, *Chatham House* / Lahib Higuel, *Dialogue Advisory Group*



## 10:45 - 11:45 / Femmes, Jeunes et Processus de Paix au Mali: Expérience du programme ARC

Malgré l'existence d'un arsenal juridique assez important garantissant inclusion et équité dans les différents efforts de promotion de la paix au niveau national, la participation aux mécanismes de prévention et de résolution des conflits au Mali, demeure marquée par de fortes inégalités de genre. Le programme ARC part du principe que ces mécanismes, bien que pouvant être d'une très grande utilité au niveau communautaire, présentent des limites en termes d'inclusion genre et jeunes; et il vise à améliorer la participation des femmes et des jeunes aux dits mécanismes à travers la mise en place des stratégies novatrices.

Speakers:

Réki Amadou Garba. *ARC Mali* / Sekou Doumbia. *ARC Mali*

## 12:00 - 13:00 / Inequality and Political Economy of Injustice: Reflections from Pakistan

Pakistan currently faces complex and multi-dimensional challenges in the fields of the rule of law (including access to the justice systems and law enforcement), socioeconomic developments (including rapid population growth and unemployment) and protection of human rights. Disadvantaged minorities are the first to suffer consequences. Due to formidable social, cultural, political and economic barriers, they can't access justice and remain absent in RoL policy development, decision making and accountability mechanisms. Based on its ARC program in Pakistan, Oxfam will extract lessons and learnings that contribute to the establishment of enabling factors to boost citizen engagement with RoL institutions.

Speakers:

Asma Kiran, *Oxfam Pakistan*

## 14:00 - 15:15 / Somalia: Women, War and the Construction of Violent Masculinities

The fourteen post-1991 internationally sponsored Somali peace processes and political settlements share at least two characteristics: they have to date almost entirely excluded women and they have all failed to end Somalia's prolonged conflict and insecurity. Male domination of peace processes is a global phenomenon, often explained on the grounds that 'the main protagonists in war are male therefore...' And yet, as this session will share, in the Somali context, in the absence of a functioning state male lives are circumscribed by clan relationships and women play critical roles in the construction and sustainment of armed clan conflict, not least in the (co-)production of the violent masculinities vital for pursuit of war.

Speakers:

Judith Gardner, *Independent Specialist* / Abdifatah Hikam, *Life & Peace Institute*

## 15:30 - 16:30 / Communities are the Solution to Insecurity

One of Saferworld's objectives is to strengthen people's security and access to justice; contributing to inclusive and effective security and justice provision. This session builds on Saferworld's ARC Sudan and Somalia programs, in which practice showed that solutions to inequality, insecurity and conflict lie with communities. By drawing lessons from the two programs, this session will examine how inclusive processes can build momentum for change in contexts where formal security and justice institutions are weak or lack reform incentives.

Speakers:

Madeline Church, *Saferworld* / Noelina Nabwile Opiyo, *Saferworld*



## 10:45 - 11:45 / Entrepreneurship and Beyond: Supporting Entrepreneurship in Refugee

Most displaced Syrians will not return home any time soon. They are rebuilding their future in the region. Since 2012 SPARK, in collaboration with local and international partners, has been supporting Syrian refugees through entrepreneurship development and higher education. Aim: increasing stability, tackling inequality and stemming radicalization and migration. But foremost: creating opportunities for people who need them most. This session will explore lessons learned and discuss the challenges Syrian entrepreneurs face in their hosting communities. A few questions will be put on the table: how to bridge the gap between higher education and entrepreneurship? How to overcome daily obstacles that Syrian entrepreneurs face setting up their business? And how to raise more support and investments for Syrian entrepreneurs, while mitigating the risks involved?

Speakers:

Nour Kotmawi, *Syrian entrepreneur* / Grace Atkinson, *Jusoor* / Yannick du Pont, *SPARK*

## 12:00 - 13:00 / Using Communities of Practice to Fight Inequality

This 60 minute skill-building session will link principles of Communities of Practice (CoP) to tackling inequality and showcase how CoPs can be used to address inequality and strengthen access to justice. It will look at how to form sustainable CoPs, and introduce the CoP Toolkit - a customizable toolkit to manage CoPs effectively. At the end of the session, participants will be able to: describe what a sustainable CoP is; use the CoP Toolkit to create, manage and sustain CoPs; and identify benefits and examples of using CoPs to fight the problems of inequality.

Speakers:

Hanatu Kabbah, *IDLO* / Pamela Kovacs, *IDLO* / Kaushik Roy, *IDLO*

## 14:00 - 15:15 / Justice & Legal Empowerment: A Financing Crisis

Despite the promise of the SDGs to ensure "access to justice for all," the world faces a financing crisis at the country and grassroots level. Donor support for equal access to justice and legal empowerment have fallen by 40% in last 4 years. Meanwhile, billions of the most vulnerable people suffer needlessly because they lack the ability to know, use, or shape the law, and because of failings of the justice institutions that are meant to serve them. We urgently need to find solutions. We present ideas based on successes from other sectors and offer proposals for increasing legal equality by closing the justice financing gap. Please come with your ideas, too!

Speakers:

Clare Manuel, *Independent* / Marcus Manuel, *ODI* / Abigail Moy, *Namati* / Lisa Denney, *ODI*

## 15:30 - 16:30 / Transitional Justice and SDG16

The Task Force on Justice—an initiative of the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies—seeks to accelerate the provision of justice to people and communities outside the protection of law, in an effort to meet the ambitious goals of SDG16+. With support from the KMF, the Working Group on Transitional Justice was set up by ICTJ to explore and raise questions about how transitional justice fits within the framework of the work of the Task Force. It seeks to examine how transitional justice can lead to innovative justice responses. How it can reduce the justice gap and improve equal access to justice? Can it play a role in reducing the recurrence of violence and violent conflict? The Working Group will be presenting on their ongoing work to answer these questions.



## 10:45 - 12:15 / Justice for Women: Delivering on the 2030 Agenda

Justice for women is indispensable for peaceful, just and inclusive societies. Yet, across the world, laws continue to discriminate against women and girls. Unresponsive justice institutions – whether at the formal or informal level – prevail and impede women from claiming their rights. Women and girls are often confronted by apathy, bias, stigma or violence when seeking effective remedies.

The IDLO panel discussion will highlight the centrality of women's justice needs in the implementation, monitoring and reporting of SDG 16. It will explore justice inequality and challenges faced by women, the need for multidimensional solutions, investment in good data, sharing good practices and lessons, and the importance of political will and influence.

### Speakers:

Faustina Pereira, *IDLO* / Kees Flinterman, *Utrecht University* / Rosemary McCarney, *Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, Geneva* / Ilaria Bottigliero, *IDLO* / Annika Markovic, *Embassy of Sweden in the Netherlands* / Wilma van Esch, *Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

## 14:15 - 15:45 / The Rohingya: Inequality, Exclusion, Exodus

Today, it is estimated that as few as 400,000 Rohingya remain in the region that is their home, in Rakhine state, Myanmar. Nearly twice that number has fled to Bangladesh since August 2017. Their unequal place in Burmese society is both epitomized and entrenched by the fact that they have been excluded from citizenship. Not only has this left them stateless, it has supported the construction of a narrative that casts them as “outsiders”, “foreign” and over time, increasingly, “illegal”.

This session will offer a unique opportunity to explore the back-story and the present predicament of the Rohingya, through the work and on-the-ground insights of acclaimed photographer Saiful Huq Omi. He has photographed Rohingya in Bangladesh for over a decade and his pictures have appeared in – among others – the New York Times, Newsweek, Time and Asian Photography. His thought-provoking images will invite participants to reflect on the complex political and legal dynamics that underlie the situation of Rohingya displacement, as well as to look past the politics and the law, to see the people affected in a new light. To complement Omi's experiences as an artist and activist with a law and security perspective, and to draw out questions for discussion, two discussants will also contribute to the session, providing insights from practice, policy and research.

### Speakers:

Saiful Huq Omi, *photographer* / Amal de Chickera, *Institute for Statelessness and Inclusion* / Laetitia van den Assum, *Advisory Commission on Rakhine State* / Tun Khin, *Rohingya activist*



## 10:45 - 12:15 / Unpacking the Myths: Linkages between Economic Opportunity, Violence, and Migration

In recent years, preventing violence and irregular migration have become top policy priorities for many European governments. This led to increased investment in peace and security as well as economic programmes, based on the assumptions that those interventions will help curb irregular migration and engagement in violent groups. However, those assumptions have rarely been questioned. Does violence always lead to population movements? Is lack of viable equal economic opportunities the major reason driving people's decision to migrate and/or engage in violent groups? The panel debate brings together experts and stakeholders from different sectors and backgrounds to unpack the relationship between violence, the intention to migrate, and access to livelihoods. It challenges the assumptions behind policy interventions aimed at curtailing irregular migration or support for political violence, and highlights other driving forces behind such choices.

### Speakers:

Virginie de Ruyt, *European Commission* / Beza Tesfaye, *Mercy Corps* / Lidet Tadesse, *ECDPM* / Kessy Martine Ekomo-Soignet, *Central African Republic*

## 14:00 - 15:15 / Democracy for the Next Generation: Youth Political Inclusion in Tunisia & Jordan

Join the speakers as they share their knowledge of general trends, drivers, challenges and incentives for youth engagement in the MENA region's formal political processes. Focusing on Tunisia and Jordan, this workshop explains to what level these states generated capacity and willingness for meaningful youth participation in both policymaking and implementation. As two countries that generally enjoy more democratic freedom and stability than their neighbors, the session will examine: What lessons can be learned from their successes? Why does empowering young men and women enhance equality, security, peace-building and political innovation? How can international actors such as donor committees and governments contribute to building equal opportunities for youths, generating meaningful and sustainable youth political participation in the MENA?

### Speakers:

Mouin Rabbani, *Institute for Palestine Studies* / Ahlem Chaouali, *Tunisia* / Wael Abu Anzeh, *Jordan* / Reem Judeh, *NIMD* / Graeme Simpson, *Interpeace USA*

## 15:30 - 16:30 / Land, Conflict & Inequality: New strategies needed!

Contribute to changing the game! Land rights challenges are central to social and economic inequality and drive violent conflict in the African Great Lakes Region and elsewhere. Coherent, comprehensive and multi-level strategies are needed to tackle these challenges. Building on a KMF-sponsored project, this interactive session will discuss basic elements of such strategies and together, participants will improve current ideas and approaches.

### Speakers:

Hendrik Westerbeek, *ZOA Netherlands* / Corita Corbijn, *ZOA Netherlands*



# Practical Information

## Conversation Starter:

If you have planned meetings with other attendees through Conversation Starter, you will find the meet up points (1-5) in the Bar/Restaurant area next to the Winter Garden.

## Wifi:

The Bazaar of Ideas has an open wifi network that is available to all conference guests.

## Social Media:

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The Conference hashtag to use on Twitter is: #KPAC18

## Venue layout:

A map of the Bazaar of Ideas can be found on the last page.

## Arriving at the venue:

*The venue is located inside The Student Hotel. Please enter The Student Hotel courtyard and proceed to the reception.*

If you're arriving by train, get off at Den Haag Hollands Spoor (HS) Station.

To get to the Bazaar by tram from The Hague Central Station, you can take either tram 2, 6, 9 or 17 for 6 minutes, and get off after 3 stops at Hollands Spoor. From Hollands Spoor, the Bazaar of Ideas is a 3 minute walk down Stationsweg, turning left into Hoefkade at the first intersection.

From Schiphol, take an Intercity train to Den Haag Hollands Spoor (HS) Station. From there, the Bazaar of Ideas is an easy 3 minute walk down Stationsweg, turning left into Hoefkade at the first intersection.

## Parking:

There are public parking spaces on the street near the Bazaar of Ideas. Standard parking rates apply.

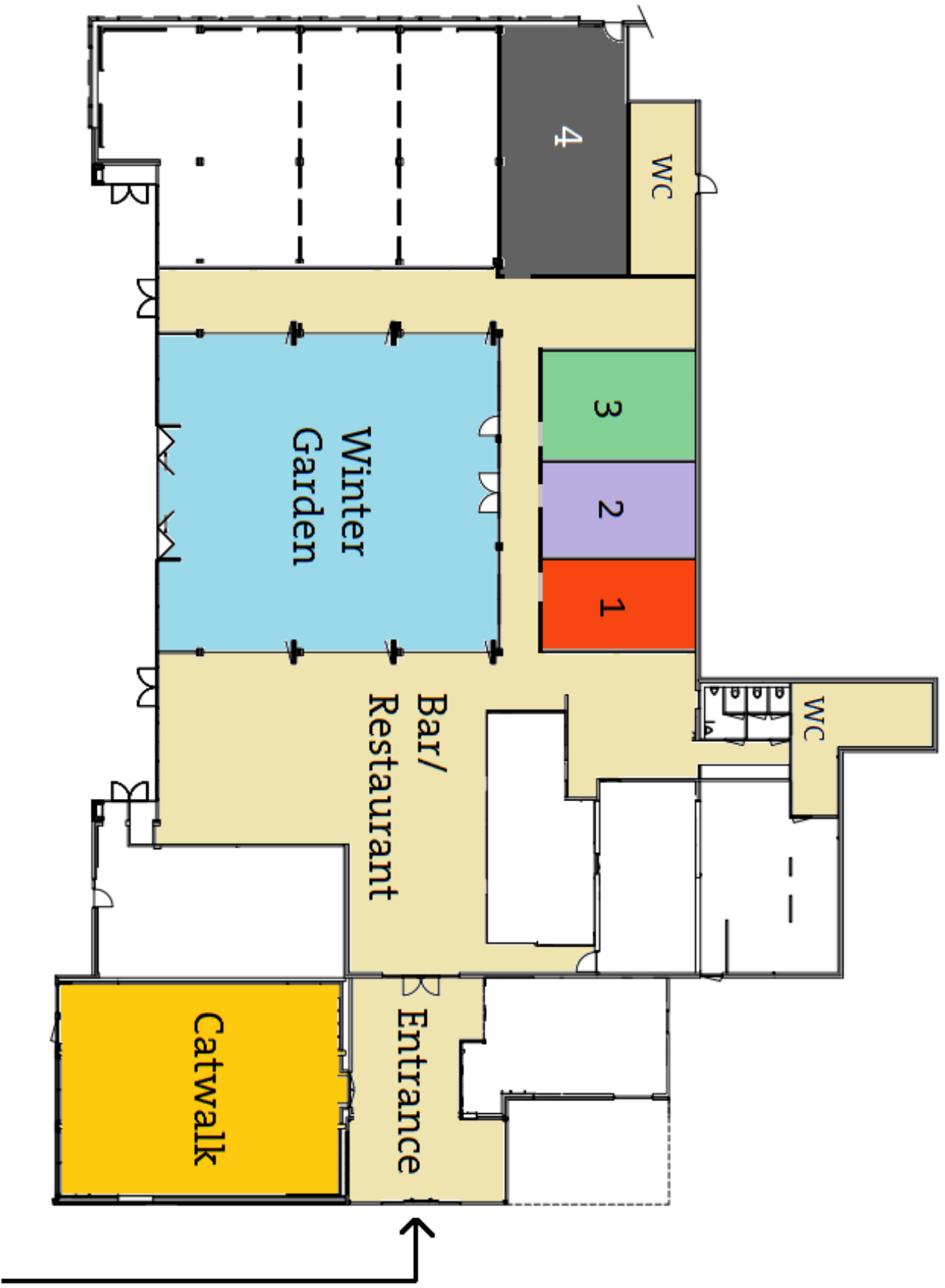
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## Reception:

Please present yourself at the registration desk at the reception of the Bazaar of Ideas. You will receive a lanyard. Find your name tag and stick it on your lanyard, then collect a folder with the Conference program, timetable, venue layout and other important info.

## Coat check:

A secure coat check will be provided. However, the Secretariat is not responsible for lost or stolen items. We encourage you to leave items of luggage at your hotel if possible.



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