

At the United Nations in New York City with WFPW for CSW61

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Since the 12th of March 2017 the commission on the status of women, the CSW61 started in the United Nations in UN.



11th of March:

My first day at the United Nations in New York City. I got my ground pass and it's freezing cold here. After that I was going around in Manhattan and I enjoyed my hot coffee at Starbucks.

The CSW61 - Commission on the status of women, started officially on the 13th of March 2017, yesterday.

13th of March:

WFPWI had an opening side event in the evening on the topic "women's fostering peace and co-prosperity"

A few questions were raised like, "how to balance a professional life and motherhood"

They agreed that it is difficult, but important to be there for your children. We cannot manage everything perfectly as we sometimes wish to. So we need to learn to let go on things and set priorities in life.

Most importantly we need to remember, as mother, our children are entrusted to us. We have a clear responsibility for them and we have to be there for them.

Another question was about "sans arrogance"

Arrogance is stopping us in many ways, but if we let go of it and we push it down and become humble there are many other possibilities and opportunities we didn't consider and see before. Arrogance makes us blind.

One important point was made: we shouldn't target people who mistreat or bully others, but we need to talk about it! We need to bring up this issue and talk!

After that I've listened to another side event in the evening about the montage initiative in India.

Montage initiatives student advisory board shared their hands-on experience of their Student immersion trip to India. Through thought provoking discussions and the presentation of a documentary, the students tackled challenges they encountered in a developing country while advocating social justice and gender equality for women and girls.

One other panelist was the director of the association: "Dignity Diaries". She shared about their platform for men to speak up for women and girls. Fighting together for equality and honor and dignity. Men supporting women to gain their right to education and pursuing their interests and career.



14th of March:

Because of the snowstorm they closed the whole UN today. But it will continue tomorrow.

