

Ms. Senida Mesi, Former Deputy Prime Minister, Albania delivered an inspiring opening speech emphasizing women's vital role in building peace and sustainable development. She highlighted that peace begins with compassion, empathy, and respect — values women naturally embody as “architects of life and hope.” Linking the event to **October Rose**, the Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Mesi shared her personal battle with breast cancer as a symbol of resilience, solidarity, and faith. She drew parallels between the fight against illness and the pursuit of peace — both requiring prevention, unity, and support. Expressing gratitude to the **Women's Federation for World Peace** and **Mother Moon**, she praised their vision of “living for the sake of others,” which inspires moral leadership and service. Mesi concluded by urging women to use their inner light to foster cooperation, healing, and global harmony through love and shared purpose.