

The silences of gun violence. Women and guns in Portugal, Mozambique and Brazil

24 May is International Women's Day for Peace and Disarmament. The celebration of this day began in Europe in the early 1980s, when hundreds of thousands of women organised against nuclear weapons and the arms race. To mark this day, and in association with the "All my Independent Women" initiative, a cycle of exhibition and debates promoted by the Casa da Esquina, in Coimbra, the Peace Studies Group and the Observatory on Gender and Armed Violence (OGiVA/CES) and Acção para a Justiça e Paz (AJP) aim to reflect on the forgotten insecurities that affect women and girls as a result of global small arms dissemination, and particularly in Portugal, Brazil and Mozambique, as well as the experiences of female anti-violence activism that emerge in these scenarios.

>> Programme

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17:00/17:30 | The International Women's Day for Peace and Disarmament

Teresa Cunha (Acção para a Justiça e Paz, AJP)

17:20/17:40 | Domestic violence and guns: the Portuguese case

Rita Santos (Peace Studies Group and Observatory on Gender and Armed Violence/CES)

17:40/18:00 | The silences of armed violence in Mozambique

Teresa Cunha (Acção para a Justiça e Paz, AJP)

Exhibition of a clip of the long-feature film "Disobedience", by Licínio Azevedo

18:00/18:20 | Survivors of gun violence in Rio de Janeiro

Tatiana Moura (Peace Studies Group and Observatory on Gender and Armed Violence/CES)

Exhibition of the short-feature documentary "A Mother like me...", by Luis Carlos Nascimento