

## **Women's Inferno in Ethiopia**

The Plight of Women From Ogaden, Oromo, Benishangul-Gumuz, Gambella & Sidama

*Hosted by MEP Liliana Rodrigues*

**22 March 2017**

**Moderator**

Ms Julie Duval

*Programme Officer, UNPO*

### **9:30-9:50 Opening Remarks**

Ms Liliana Rodrigues, MEP and host

Mr Shigut Geleta, Oromo Liberation Front

Mr Denboba Natie, Sidama National Liberation Front

Mr Marino Busdachin, General Secretary of the UNPO

### **9:50-10:30 Panel I: Human Rights Repression in Ethiopia - Where Are We Now?**

Ms Dinknesh Dheressa

*Chairperson of the International Oromo Women's Organization*

Ms Julie Ward

*MEP*

Mr Graham Peebles (video statement)

*Freelance journalist and director of The Create Trust*

Mr Garad Mursal

*Director and co-founder of the African Rights Monitor*

### **10:30-11:10 Panel II: Sexual Violence as a Weapon of War: The Exploitation of Women's Bodies to Crack Down on Human Rights in Ethiopia**

Ms Liliana Rodrigues

*MEP and host*

Dr Baro Keno Deressa

*Oromo Medical Doctor*

Ms Mariam Ali

*International Relations Student at the School of Oriental and African Studies*

Ms Ajo Agwa

*Activist - Gambella People's Liberation Movement & Gambella Women's Association*

*Screening of a clip from "Ethiopia's Hidden Shame", documentary by Graham Peebles*

Closing remarks by the UNPO

*11:15-12:00 Questions and Answers*