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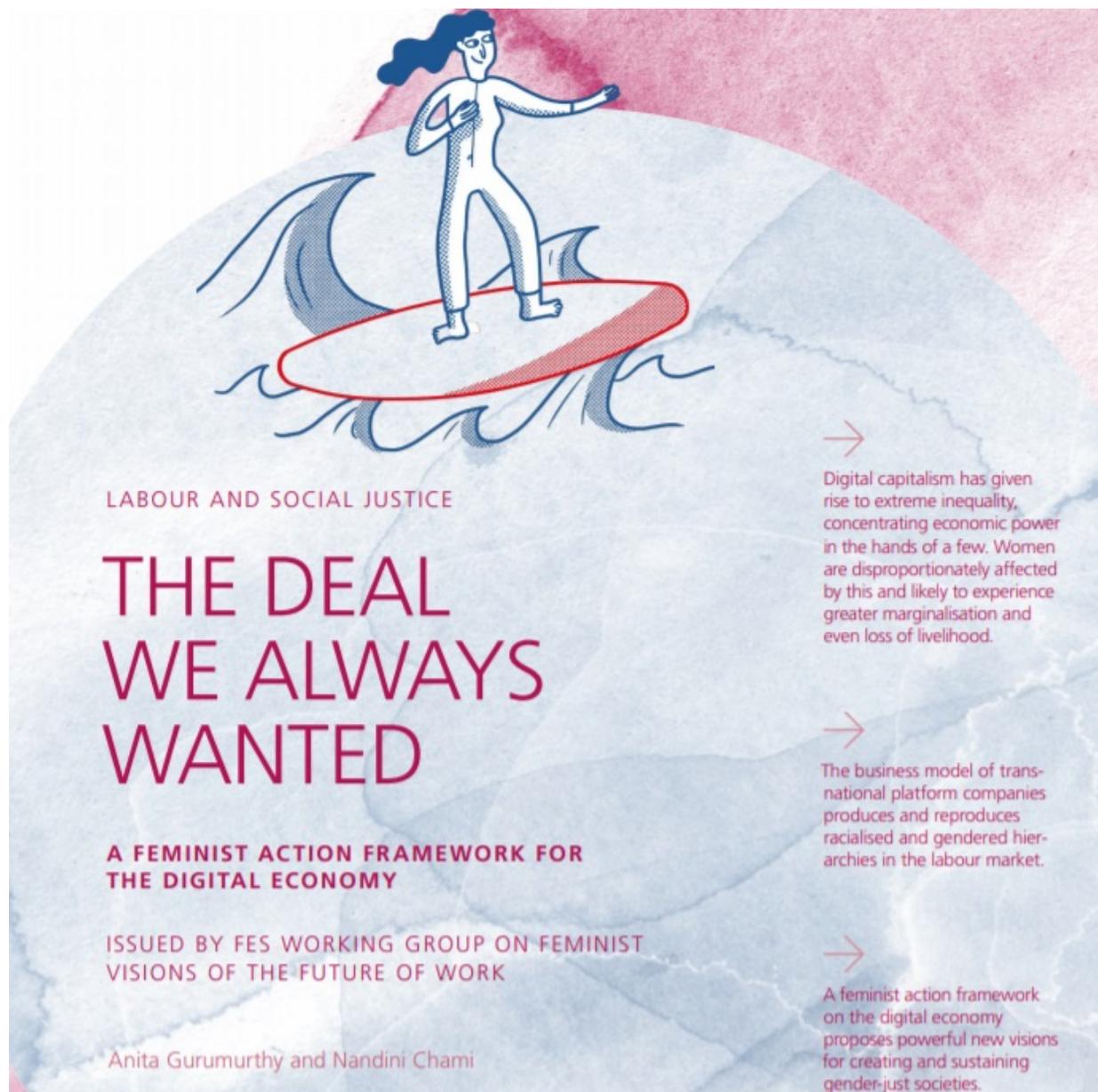
Welcome! Do you have any suggestions of what to share with members? Email us at: info@wide-network.org.

"The Deal we Always Wanted, a Feminist Action Framework for the Digital Economy", Launched by FES Working Group

The global Working Group on Feminist Visions of the Future of Work by FES, the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, has recently published its conclusions analyzing the digital economy from a feminist perspective, after one and a half year of collaborating. **WIDE+ has been part of this collective reflection, as member of this working group.** The document is not just a publication; it offers an accessible roadmap into understanding what it is all about in the 'new' economy brought forward by online technologies and artificial intelligence. Actually there is nothing new in terms of how it incorporates gender and other inequalities for women as workers, consumers and citizens.

It is a feminist action framework on the digital economy that can create new visions and sustainable pathways. It challenges also the status quo and recognises the injustices of digital capitalism as a global paradigm that is sustained through a neo-colonial ideology. With this framework we want to identify and address the extractivism, exploitation and exclusion characteristic of our time, as reflected in the intersections of gender, class, race, caste and other such markers of power and dominance.

<https://www.fes.de/lnk/the-deal-we-always-wanted>



Join WIDE+ members in Working Group to informally exchange around UN Commission of the Status of Women

WIDE+ members across Europe have set up an ad-hoc working group to informally share updates and collaborate where relevant in pushing for strong feminist recommendations for the final conclusions of the 65th United Nations Commission of the Status of Women (CSW) held between 15 and 26 March of this year. The meeting will be held mostly online with a select representation of member states negotiating in New York. It should lead to the usual conclusions that the CSW offers. Civil society cannot attend any of the meetings in New York, but can take part in the larger country delegations that stay in their home country, following and negotiating long distance.

EU member states have started to develop their collective statement, with the

publishing of zero draft conclusions: [zero draft conclusions](#).

Members and partners that are interested to join this informal and ad hoc working group, can contact Gea Meijers, coordinator WIDE+, at gea.meijers23@gmail.com.

New WIDE+ Solidarity Statement with women's rights protesters in Poland

A week after the ruling of the Constitutional Court came into force that enforces the near total ban of abortion in Poland, we want to again express our solidarity with all the women, men and gender non-conforming persons, young, old, migrants, non-migrants, queer, lesbian, gay, and all others that have come to public spaces to stand up for reproductive and the human rights of women* and for democracy.

In the recent week peaceful protestors, including one of the leaders of the women's strike Klementyna Suchanow, were [arrested and brought to police stations outside the centre of Warsaw](#), which seems part of an ongoing and intensified tactic of intimidation. For another article on the current oppression, one can [read the interview](#) with Łódzkie Dziewuchy (Gals4Gals).

We resist these attacks on our common rights to our bodies and to our political voice, [#StrajkKobiet](#).



New GADIP Report: "The Gendered effects of Covid-19 and Challenges Facing the Women-dominated Health Workforce" in Sweden.

WIDE+ member GADIP in Sweden has published their report: "[The Gendered effects](#)

of Covid-19 and Challenges Facing the Women-dominated Health Workforce"

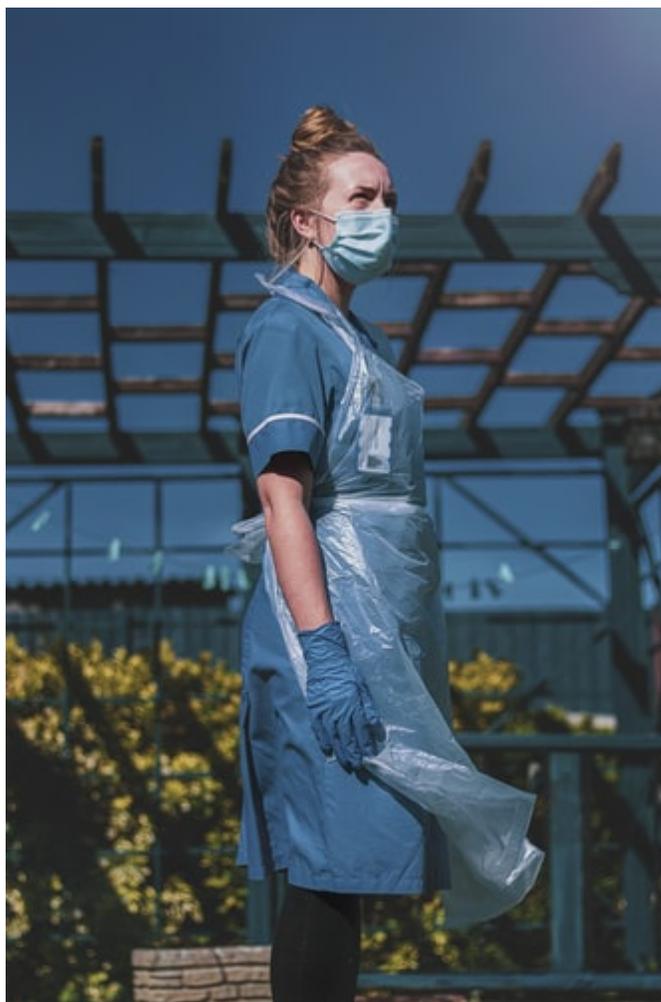
Through an examination of the working conditions for nurses, assistant nurses and care assistants, this report elucidates the disproportionate role women play in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic and the challenges as well as risks they incur.

The Covid-19 pandemic seems to have reshaped the healthcare landscape and placed additional burden on healthcare staff facing heavier workloads, PPE shortages and increased physical and mental strain.

An important aspect to draw from this report is the necessity of acknowledging the difficult and tremendously valuable work performed by health workers during the current pandemic, but the individualized narratives that on the one hand labels health workers "heroes", yet on the other hand imposes guilt upon them (especially upon foreign-born health workers) calls for interrogation.

Furthermore, the intersectional burdens exacerbated by Covid-19 highlighted in this report stresses the political awareness needed to deal adequately with inequalities in the current pandemic crisis as well as in future crisis scenarios.

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[Consultancy for Women's Rights Review of the Fair Finance Guide International Methodology Fair Finance Asia](#)

Fair Finance International (FFI) has developed a methodology called the Fair Finance International Methodology (FFI Methodology) to assess, report on, and campaign for more responsible investment policies and practices among private financial institutions. The methodology consists of 23 themes benchmarking financial institutions' policies and practices against international norms and standards. These themes cover a range of issues, such as health, human rights, gender equality, power generation, fisheries and food

[An Inclusive Gender Response Approach to Migration](#) by PICUM

[Gender Budget Brief](#), with three trainings in the context of the Gender Budget Watchdog Network in Western Balkans and republic of Moldova.



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