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

Launch of New WIDE+ Publication, "Marginalizing Migrant Women’s Associations in EU Policies: Tracking EU Funds"
WIDE+ is pleased to launch this review paper *Marginalizing Migrant Women’s Associations in EU Policies Tracking EU Funds*. This review paper is the result of an EU-level funds tracking exercise carried out by the WIDE+ network.

WIDE+ made this review as the issue of funding for women’s organizations, particularly for migrant women associations, is a recurring topic amongst members of the network. While there is available EU-level funding to advance gender equality, the financial flows simply do not reach civil society, women’s organizations, and migrant women associations. Since there is limited gender-related data to fully assess EU’s budget allocations, this paper reviews several sources that have looked at EU-level funds. This paper thus synthesizes the key findings that are relevant for understanding financial flows reaching, or not reaching, migrant women associations.

For further questions or comments on this paper, kindly contact Nurhidayah Hassan at h Hassan@wideplus.org.
Now Available - Recording of "Online Dialogue: Resourcing Migrant Women's Activism in Europe"

In conjunction with the launch of the paper, "Marginalizing Migrant Women's Associations in EU Policies Tracking EU Funds" (as shared above), WIDE+, through the network's migration and gender working group, organized an online dialogue, "Resourcing Migrant Women's Activism in Europe" on 10 May. The recording is now available for viewing in English and in Spanish.

The online dialogue was a rich exchange between migrant women leaders and staff members at private foundations. Speakers included Jennifer Kamau, co-founder of International Women Space (IWS); Marcela de la Peña Valdivia, the coordinator for La Marche Mondiale des Femmes Belgique; Vanina Serra, senior programme officer at Mama Cash and Sophie Ngo-Diep, from the European Programme for Integration and Migration (EPIM). It was moderated by Paula Riedemann, programme manager at Calala Women's Fund.

In the discussion, both migrant women leaders, Jennifer and Marcela raised issues around the immense complexities of fundraising for migrant women associations. When funding is available, it is rarely, almost never, earmarked for core funding, which in turn sorely limits the vital work of migrant women in supporting their communities. Migrant women groups like IWS provide support to migrant women, especially those in precarious positions, given the sheer failure of the state to provide basic needs for marginalized groups of women. Vanina highlighted the work of Mama Cash in supporting small and unregistered groups but acknowledged that more can be done in making flexible funds available to support migrant women's activism. Sophie concurred and offered ideas that can improve the representation of migrant women in grantmaking spaces.

A full narrative report on this dialogue will be published in the coming weeks. In the meantime, do watch the recordings!

MEMBERS AND PARTNERS NEWS
Now Available - Recordings of "Trade, Gender and Post-War Recovery: Exploring the Arguments and Intersections"

Organized by the Gender & Trade Coalition, of which WIDE+ is a member, and the Consortium on Gender, Security & Human Rights, this 2-part webinar series examined the kind of trading paradigms currently being pursued in post-war contexts, and asked what relationships these have – if any – with sustainable peace? The recordings are now available online:

Trade, Gender and Post-War Recovery, Part One, Exploring the Intersections - recording here:

This webinar featured:

Michelle Maziwisa, African Women's Development and Communications Network
Liepollo Lebohang Pheko, Trade Collective, and Women in Migration Network
Fatimah Kelleher, Nawi - Afrifem Macroeconomics Collective
Azra Talat Sayeed, Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development

Trade, Gender and Post-War Recovery, Part Two, Visioning Feminist Trade Alternatives - recording here:

This webinar featured:

Nancy Kachingwe, South Feminist Futures
Nandini Chami, IT for Change
Diyana Yahaya, Independent Feminist Activist

GENERAL NEWS

Upcoming Webinar: Preventing and Tackling GBV & DV in partnership with Civil Society Organisations, 17 May, 10am - 12pm CEST
This expert webinar organised by the Prospera - Women's Funds Europe and WAVE will examine the following issues:

1. The role of civil society and feminist organisations and a whole of society approach in addressing GBV prevention and victims/survivor rights' protection.

2. Fostering coordination among Member States and EU Institutions with women's CSOs to include feminist organisations as implementing partners at the EU and national level to ensure the gender-sensitive implementation of the Directive.

3. The value of a pilot baseline assessment to identify promising practices and common policy objectives for women’s CSOs in the implementation of the EU Directive on GBV.

Register [here](#) by 13 May, 12pm CEST.

**IMRF Side Event - "Sustainable Reintegration of Migrant and Trafficked Women in Asia, Europe, and Latin America", 17 May, 2:30PM CEST**

![SIDE EVENT AT THE IMRF](image)

This webinar is a side event at the [International Migration Review Forum](#) taking place in New York. The event will be in hybrid in-person and online format.

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At this event, speakers will share findings from research led by Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women (GAATW) and its partners in South Asia, Western Europe, and Latin America. This research documented migrant and trafficked women’s lived experiences with social and economic inclusion in the destination countries as well as with return and reintegration in their home countries. Speakers will discuss women’s access to and experience with available programmes and services, and share recommendations for their improvement. For more information and to register, go to this link.

New Publication by UN Women & CARE International: "Rapid Gender Analysis of Ukraine"

The lives of people across Ukraine have been profoundly impacted by the humanitarian crisis brought on by the invasion on 24 February 2022. As of 29 April, 5.5 million refugees have already fled Ukraine, and the number of internally displaced people (IDPs) has reached 7.7 million. Of those who have fled the country, it is estimated that 90 percent are women and children, while most men aged 18–60 are required to stay behind under martial law.

This Rapid Gender Analysis (RGA), carried out by UN Women and CARE International, seeks to draw attention to the gender dynamics in the humanitarian crisis resulting from the war in Ukraine. The RGA also proposes recommendations for humanitarian leadership, actors and donors to ensure consideration of the gendered dimensions of risk, vulnerability and capabilities in response to this crisis.

Global Feminist Pitch: For Feminist Mobilisation

The Global Feminist Pitch is back to support feminists from Latin America,
Asia, Africa, Middle East and (South) Eastern Europe. This year Heinrich Böll Stiftung is looking for ten feminists who will write on the topic of feminist mobilisation in their region. Apply now! More information here.

New Publication by We Shake the Table and the Bridgespan Group: "Lighting the Way: A Research Brief for Philanthropy on the Power and Promise of Feminist Movements"

While there has been an overall increase in funding for programmes related to violence against women (VAW), investment over the last five years has been estimated to be significantly less than 0.002% of international development assistance. When it comes to resources for research on violence against women (VAW) and violence against children (VAC) funding remains highly concentrated in high-income countries (HICs).

For SVRI, ‘better’ funding for research is funding that is grounded in feminist principles, acknowledges, and addresses power dynamics, involves honest, transformative relationships between donors and grantees and creates accessible and equitable processes that support priority-driven and impactful research in LMICs conducted by LMIC researchers. Read the full report on the findings of SVRI's research in this area.