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## Members Update, Issue 11

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

## A Revamped WIDE+ Website with New Resources on Digital Safety for Feminists

**Women In Development Europe+**

WIDE+ is a European network of associations and activists that fights for women's rights, as part of a larger struggle for social justice, sustainable livelihoods and human rights. We advocate changing European policies that affect people in and outside of Europe. WIDE+ promotes inclusive and intersectional feminist movement building in Europe, in solidarity with feminists in the global South.

**Areas of collective work**

**RIGHTS OF MIGRANT WOMEN**  
WIDE+ promotes women's rights of migrants, undocumented workers, trafficked and others that are on the move or have come from another country

**INTERSECTIONAL FEMINIST MOVEMENT BUILDING**  
The WIDE+ Feminist Movement Building Working Group works together to provide spaces for transnational feminist

**FEMINIST ECONOMICS INCLUDING TRADE**  
WIDE+ coordinates advocacy and analysis with civil society, Unions and experts for a feminist EU trade policy and facilitates a

WIDE+ has a revamped website! Apart from refreshed content layout and new images, we now have an extended resources page. Our resources page has pertinent information, analysis, and tools on different topics like [feminism and movement-building](#), [migration and gender](#), and a new topic which we just included - [digitalisation and gender](#) where you can find useful tools for feminists and digital safety. If you would like to share a link on our resources page, do let us know at: [info@wide-network.org](mailto:info@wide-network.org).

## New Article: Cyberviolence is a Powerful Silencing Tool Against Women



The FEMM and LIBE Committees of the European Parliament (EP) held a first reading on 1st July to discuss the draft of the own-initiative report on [‘Combating Gender-based Violence: Cyberviolence’](#). Nurhidayah Hassan from WIDE+'s migration and gender working group is currently following the developments of this legislative process.

The [report](#) will conclude in a Legislative Report to be adopted by the EP that will call on the European Commission to table a Directive on Combating Gender-Based Cyberviolence. This article provides an insight into the current parliamentary discussions, which includes observations of attempts by far-right political groups to undermine women's human rights. Read the article [here](#).

## Register for the Gender and Development Forum during the UNCTAD 15, 26-28 September 2021



### Gender and Development Forum

26-28 September 2021



The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will hold its 15th Forum with a series of online events that include a Gender and Development Forum held on 26-28 September. This provides a unique opportunity to put gender equality on the agenda of UNCTAD from a feminist macro-economic perspective, bringing together trade and development objectives.

UNCTAD has been a space for more critical reflections around trade and development, recognizing the negative impacts of EU trade policy on developing countries. Some of the controversies in the current negotiations for the conference statement have been about the proposal of the G77 (the coalition of 77 developing countries) to address the

global debt structure, which is opposed by the EU. Similarly the G77 and the EU disagree on the mandate for the UNCTAD. The EU prefers a limited mandate, suggesting bigger role for the World Trade Organization (WTO). This EU preference comes from its wish to promote its own political-economic interests as first priority.

The Gender and Development Forum will have speakers from the Gender Trade Coalition, of which WIDE+ is a steering group member. On behalf of WIDE+, Edmé Dominguez will present the impacts of trade agreements on women in Latin America. There is room for questions during the webinar and this can help to promote and make visible feminist demands for a gender just trade policy. The Forum is made possible through the host Barbados.

**For more info and to register, click [here](#).**

## **New Video: WIDE+ Joined a Discussion on Catcalling**

WIDE+ junior programme officer, Hana Turšič, joined an interesting discussion with [Sphera Now](#), exchanging thoughts on the effects of catcalling, how society views it, and whether it should be considered a crime. Watch the video [here](#).

## **Your Views Wanted: Survey for Sexual Gender-Based Violence Research**

A graduate student from Gallaudet University in Washington is conducting a research study that looks at the disclosure of sexual violence in refugees and migrants in Europe. The survey is available in English, and if you are interested to participate in the research, go to this [link](#). If you have further questions, you may contact the researcher, Morgane Vincent, at [refugeedisclosurestudy@gallaudet.edu](mailto:refugeedisclosurestudy@gallaudet.edu).

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## **MEMBERS AND PARTNER NEWS**

### **New Updates on the Generation Equality Forum in Paris**

Following the conclusion of the Generation Equality Forum in Paris, this brief update provides some background information about the process, the political and financial commitments made as well as some next steps. Read the update from our member Gender and Development Network (GADN) [here](#).

### **Feminists in Berlin: Your Solidarity and Support Needed!**



WIDE+ migration and gender working group partner, [International Women Space \(IWS\)](#), is demanding for the Friedrichshain-Kreuzberg District and the Berlin Senate to respect their 2014 agreement with the Refugee movement to be able to use Oranienplatz as an information point for events and protests, as and when requested. The police have blatantly disregarded this agreement, preventing a series of events, including a discussion on the refugee movement occupation of Oplatz, from happening. IWS is now supporting a refugee activist, [Napuli Langa](#), who is currently occupying a tree as a protest statement against this decision. If you are in Berlin, IWS urges feminists and activists to come to Oplatz to protest in solidarity against the unacceptable police decision. Do bring warm and waterproof clothes and blankets for the activists!

## Online Panel Discussion on Amman Principles, Moderated by WIDE+ Member, Silke Steinhilber, 8 Sept, 2-3:30 PM CEST

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) and Solidarity Is Global Institute in Jordan (SIGI-Jo) are hosting an international dialogue on the importance of the adoption of the Amman Principles as an international instrument. [The Amman Principles](#) refer to a set of 9 principles for national mechanisms for gender equality and women's empowerment in line with the Paris Principles for national human rights institutions.

For the full agenda and to register for the event, click [here](#). The panel discussion will be moderated by WIDE+ member, **Silke Steinhilber**, expert on Research, Evaluation and Capacity Development for Gender Equality. The event will be held in English, with translations in German, French and Spanish.



## GENERAL NEWS

### Calling All Female Gender Experts

[The Gender Experts project](#) is an international online free database of female experts on gender equality, accessible to journalists and event organizers. The objective of this website is to make women and their expertise visible in the media and the public space. If you are a female gender expert, you can [register](#) on this database for free.

### Global Women's Assembly For Climate Justice: Register NOW!



In the context of diverse peoples' movements continuing to organize and rise-up in advance of the UN Climate Talks in Glasgow and other international gatherings over the next critical years, the Women's Earth and Climate Action Network (WECAN) International is organizing the ['Women's Assembly for Climate Justice: Solutions from the Frontlines and the Protection and Defense of Human Rights and Nature'](#), a free, gender-diverse, public forum taking place virtually on **September 25-30, 2021**, in parallel to the UN General Assembly. Register for the event [here](#).

## [Center for Reproductive Rights Launches Latest Global Mapping of Abortion Laws Around the World](#)

More than 30 Governments and Organizations Working to Advance Feminist Foreign Policy Around the World

A [new Global Partner Network](#) was launched, bringing together governments and leading civil society groups to advance the nascent field of “[feminist foreign policy](#)” - a policy approach tailored to address the issues of the day and advance new ground in the global quest for gender equality. The commitment was made as part of formal programming for the [Generation Equality Forum](#).

## [Webinar Recording - Vaccine Justice Teach-In by AWID: How Can Feminists Organize to Hold States Accountable?](#)



**VACCINE JUSTICE:**  
How can feminists collectively organise to hold States accountable?

Teach-In: May 10 @ 9am EST  
Strategizing session: May 13 @ 9am EST

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Participants: Sibongile Tshabalala (Treatment Action Campaign), Mearya Lizamaux Blanco (DAWN), Sarahi Perez (ESLU), Sabrina Masindi (African Center for Biodiversity), Feligene Aroum (Building Evidence Communities East, 2020), Heidi Chew (Global Justice Action), and AWID LIVE.

## [New Report by the Council of Europe: How can Governments Guarantee Women's Access to Justice?](#)

Gender Equality in Education: Digging Beyond the Obvious



International Institute of Educational Planning (IIEP)-UNESCO takes an intersectional approach in its latest analysis on gender inequality in education. Read the article, including insights on gender-sensitive education planning [here](#).

## [Frontline Defenders Releases First Global Report on Sex Workers' Rights' Defenders At Risk](#)

## [The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change \(IPCC\) Publishes a Report on Evidence of the Physical Science of Climate Change](#)



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