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Members Update, Issue 14

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

"Our Right To Live Free From Violence": WIDE+ Migration & Gender WG Meeting in Berlin, Join Us!



WIDE+ participated in a feminist march in Nice, France in June this year

The Migration and Gender Working Group of WIDE+ is having an in-person gathering in Berlin, Germany, from **25 to 27 November**. We will take part and organize two public activities where feminists in and around Berlin are much welcomed. On 25 November, we will participate in a public demonstration to commemorate the International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women. We will also have a one-day public event on 27 November that includes a panel discussion on the impact of COVID-19 on migrant women. If you would like to find out more about the meeting, kindly email Hidayah Hassan at hassan@wideplus.info.

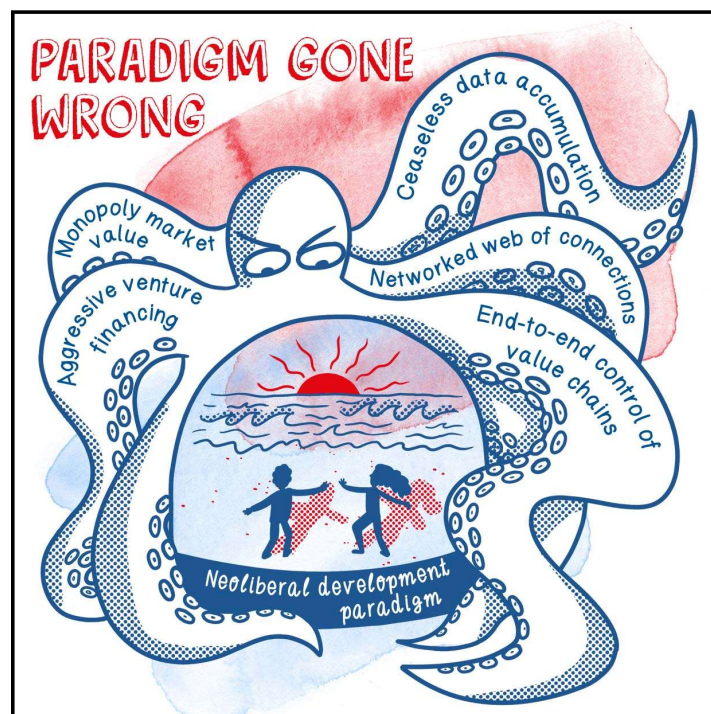
WIDE+ & Global Civil Society Organizations Join Call

for Transformation of Global Trade System

In the 25 years of its existence, the World Trade Organization (WTO) has failed to deliver development, promote shared prosperity, or ensure sustainability in trade. Unfortunately, neoliberal advocates are defending – and trying to expand – the corporate globalization embodied in the WTO. But as the Covid-19 crisis has highlighted the lethal impact of WTO rules protecting corporations at the right of human health, the solution is not more corporate globalization. Civil society must deliver a strong, visionary message about the need for a fundamental transformation of the existing system. Read [the statement](#), led by [Our World is Not For Sale \(OWINFS\)](#), outlining 10 demands signed by over 200 organizations, including WIDE+ through the gender and trade working group.

Our online session on "Gender, trade and development: examining old and new issues in the global trading system" can be watched at [Youtube](#). The [report of this session](#) co-organized by FEMNET, WIDE+, Regions Refocus, WIMN Gender Trade Coalition (GTC) and TWN is available as well.

New Article and Additional Translations Available for 'Feminist Action Framework for The Digital Economy'



As part of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) Working Group on Feminist Visions of the Future of Work, WIDE+ contributed to this framework document, ['The Deal We Always Wanted - A Feminist Action Framework for the Digital Economy'](#). The publication outlines ways to reimagine the digital economy and to reclaim its transformative

potential at this point in time, when Big Tech's hold over the world seems unshakeable. There is an urgent imperative for social movements to respond to the ongoing Big Tech-led restructuring of all sectors of the global economy and the resultant injustices.

The framework can now be read in different languages: German, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Arabic. You can now also read a [summary article about the publication](#).

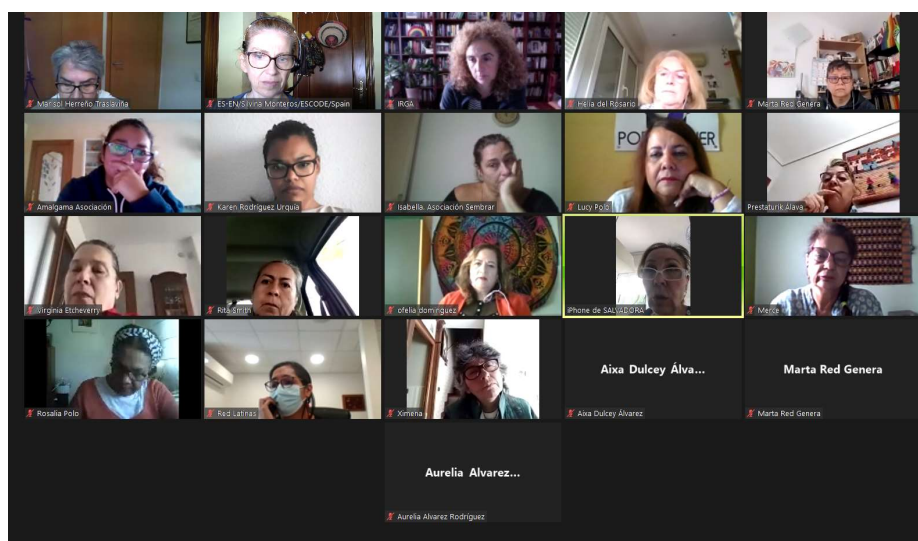
WIDE+ is seeking volunteers to review its financial accounts over 2020

There is still room for additional members (including members of member organizations) to join our online audit committee. The task of the audit committee members is to review WIDE+ receipts and financial accounts that are all available online. This will require a few hours of volunteer work at the most. A report with the conclusions and recommendations of the audit committee members will be shared with the members at the General Assembly.

Those that are interested can contact Gea Meijers at info@wide-network.org.

MEMBERS AND PARTNERS NEWS

Invitation to Participate in Political Training School (in ESP)



Red Latinas' second political training session on 16 October via zoom

Member of WIDE+ migration and gender working group, the Latin American and Caribbean Women Network of Spain, or [Red Latinas](#), has been running a series of

political training sessions for migrant women since the beginning of October. There are upcoming sessions with places still open on **20 & 27 November**, on the topic of sexual violence against migrant women. The language is Spanish. The workshops are taught by experts, but with a participatory methodology. Prior registration is required. Register [here](#). If you would like further information, contact Silvina Monteros: silvicultura71@yahoo.es.

Digital Anti-Trafficking Platform for Youth: Project by Atina

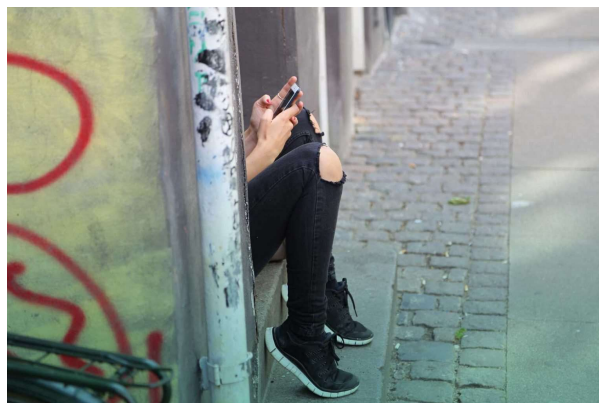
To commemorate the European Anti-Trafficking Day on October 18, WIDE+ member, [Atina](#) has launched a digital prevention platform for high school youth in Serbia, called "[How to Protect Yourself from Human Trafficking](#)". Together with the [Child Rights Centre](#), the platform is launched to educate young people in Serbia on how to recognize the risks of becoming victims of human trafficking and how to protect themselves. It also provides information on the importance of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings. For further information on the platform, you can contact Atina: +381 61 63 84 071.

GENERAL NEWS

ECJ Decision on the Istanbul Convention: A Missed Opportunity

The Court of Justice of the European Union (ECJ) has failed to give a clear direction in its responses to the European Parliament's inquiries on the EU's accession to the Istanbul Convention, to date the most comprehensive international treaty to prevent and combat violence against women and girls. [The opinion of the ECJ](#) strongly influences the next steps in overcoming the blockage within the Council of the EU to ratify the convention. To see a summary of the response of the ECJ, read this [press release](#) by the European Women's Lobby.

Invitation to CYBERSAFE Conference by WAVE Network, 9 November



The CYBERSAFE Conference organised by the [WAVE Network](#) will present the main findings and outcomes of the CYBERSAFE project. The project aims to change behaviours towards violence against women, with specific focus on cyber VAWG, with the aim of preventing it, through education, changing attitudes and encouraging victims and witnesses to report and address it. The conference includes a panel discussion with three specialists from across the project countries. For further information, refer to [the agenda](#) here. To register, kindly go to [this link](#).

[Report by DAWN: Looking at Policy Trends in the Global South During COVID-19, a Feminist Intersectional & Interlinkages Approach](#)



[Online Panel Discussion on the Impact of COVID-19, 21 October](#)

The [International Rescue Committee](#) (IRC) and ODI invite you to an online panel event discussing the impact of Covid-19, displacement and gender discrimination on women affected by crisis. It will take place on 21 October, 3 PM CET. For further info, please go to [this link](#).

[New Podcast Series: People Vs Inequality](#)



[Report & Petition: Older Women - The Hidden Workforce](#)



[Age International](#) has launched a report, "[Older Women: the hidden workforce](#)" on 1 October during the International Day of Older Persons. The report gives voice to older women's experience of work in low and middle-income countries based on qualitative research in Ethiopia and Malawi. It also started a [Parliamentary Petition](#) to ask the UK government to include older women in its new International Development Strategy.

[Briefing by GADN: The G7's Global Minimum Corporate Tax Rate - A Good Deal for the African Continent?](#)

[New Resource Guide on Gender, Intersectionality and COVID-19](#)





The People vs Inequality podcast is a space to reflect and learn with changemakers on how to tackle inequality in this time of crisis and fast change. Listen to the [1st episode](#) with Elizabeth Tang, the General Secretary of the International Domestic Workers Federation (IDWF).



[A new resource guide](#) from the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) brings together a collection of resources that take an intersectional approach to the impacts of the pandemic.

[Report on the Impact of Asylum Laws, Policies & Practices on FGM-Affected Women and Girls in Europe](#)



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