Members Update, Issue 16

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

Migrant Women's Resistance Against Violence: 25 -27 November, Berlin

25 November marks the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. On this occasion, the Migration and Gender Working Group (WG) of WIDE+, in collaboration with International Women Space (IWS), organised a 3-day feminist gathering in Berlin to discuss migrant women’s resistance against violence. Organisations that participated in the meeting included Red Latinas (Spain), NGO Atina (Serbia), GADIP (Sweden), International Women Space (Germany), KULU (Denmark), ADRI Association (Italy), and Voice of All Women (the Netherlands). The meeting was also attended by invited organisations like Women Migrants (Denmark), Gabriela and Ban Ying (Germany), and members of Marche Mondiale des Femmes Belgique.
Throughout the 3-day meeting, the working group participated in several activities, including demonstrating at a feminist march, organised by the Alliance of Internationalist Feminists; attending a workshop on the Istanbul Convention conducted by Laura Albu, the president of the Romanian Women’s Lobby; and holding a public event to meet other Berlin-based feminist and migrant women organisations like LAFI Berlin and OWEN. During this public event, Elena Floriani from Women Against Violence Europe (WAVE) Network also participated in a panel dialogue session that discussed the impact of COVID-19 on violence against migrant women.

This feminist gathering in Berlin has deepened the connections, bonds, and commitments of the members and partners of WIDE+ in working together to raise the visibility of migrant women activism. It was energising and empowering, and the working group looks forward to working closely with each other in 2022 and beyond!

Webinar Recording on "Joint Strategies of LGBTQI* Rights & Feminisms" Now Available

The webinar, jointly organised by WIDE+ and Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) as part of a series of webinars around intersectional feminism, discusses how ultra-conservative political groups connect their backlash on women’s rights with an attack on the rights of LGBTQI* communities, among several other intersections. It opens up strategic questions on how LGBTQI* movements and feminists can and should further work together.

Watch the discussion with Dayna Ash, the Founder & Executive Director of Haven for
Artists, a non-profit feminist art organization based in Beirut, Lebanon; Wiktor Dynarski who works as a philanthropic professional concerned primarily with the issues of public health, human rights of marginalized communities, and counteracting disinformation; and Emilia Márquez Pizano, an anthropologist, author and activist in feminist and LGBTQI* communities in Colombia. The webinar was moderated by Julia Günther, a member of WIDE+ who has been working on feminist and intersectional perspectives in development discourses for the past 18 years.

MEMBERS AND PARTNERS NEWS

Launch of Publication, "Intrinsically Linked: GenderEquality, Climate, and Biodiversity" by WO=MEN and partners

Together with ActionAid, Both ENDS, WECF International, WIDE+ member WO=MEN launched a publication, "Intrinsically Linked: Gender Equality, Climate, and Biodiversity: Concrete Proposals for an Integrated Policy". This joint effort offers policy recommendations that incorporate a gender lens to the Dutch government, essentially outlining why solving climate and biodiversity crises must go hand-in-hand with achieving gender equality. One of the paper's recommendations is to make sure that climate finance is accessible to local communities and women, who work on ecosystem
conservation and repair, and effective climate initiatives, and work to protect and bolster the efforts of women environmental and land rights activists.

"Humanitarians and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda during Covid-19": A Briefing by Gender and Development Network (GADN)

This briefing, produced by the GADN Humanitarian Working Group in collaboration with the Humanitarian Policy Group (HPG), Gender Action for Peace and Security (GAPS UK), Fe-Male, the Gender Equality Network and the Gender Violence Recovery Centre, sets out key themes emerging from the panel discussion among women humanitarians in Myanmar, Kenya and Lebanon.

The Women Peace and Security (WPS) agenda’s call to transform crisis response by coordinating across the “triple nexus” is more important than ever. Gender justice is intimately linked to peace and disarmament, economic prosperity and recovery, and human rights, so breaking down divisions between humanitarianism, peacebuilding and development will further efforts at a more peaceful and just world.

GENERAL NEWS

Get Involved in the UNECE Regional Forum on Sustainable Development 2022!

The next Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the ECE Region will take place on the 6th and 7th of April 2022. WECF International has been given the opportunity as the Regional Civil Society Engagement Mechanism to be involved in the preparation for the Regional Sustainable Development Forum. The Forum will help the region to prepare for the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development in 2022. This is a real chance for Civil Societies’ voice to be heard at 2022’s regional forum, and so we encourage you to share this with your networks! Please fill out this form to get involved.

Moving Forward from COP26, a Call for Proposals...
UN Trust Fund Call for Proposals To End Violence Against Women: Deadline 6 January 2022

Integrate Human Mobility and Migrant Women’s Human Rights in All Climate Deliberations and Action Plans: Statement by Women in Migration Network (WIMN)

How Much Do IFIs "Care": Care Principles and Care-Responsiveness Barometer for IFIs by Oxfam International

Host a Virtual Parallel Event During the NGO CSW66 Forum from 14-25 March 2022: Deadline 17 Dec

One of the key components of the NGO CSW Forum is the Parallel Events. Each year, CSOs are invited to apply to host a Parallel Event, regardless of their ECOSOC status. These events are totally organized by the host CSO and address the CSW priority and/or review themes in some way. This year, the themes are:

- **Priority theme**: Achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes;
- **Review theme**: Women’s economic empowerment in the changing world of work (agreed conclusions of the sixty-first session CSW61).

GREVIO General Recommendation No. 1: Digital Dimension of Violence Against Women

GREVIO is the independent expert body responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Istanbul Convention) by the Parties. Read GREVIO’s report which seeks to set out definitions of key terms and concepts regarding violence against women and domestic violence perpetrated in the digital sphere and to provide recommendations to prevent and combat this phenomenon.

The Women Peace and Security Index: A New Lens on Forced Displacement: Briefing by International Rescue Committee and