

economic, environmental and cultural changes that affect people in Mexico and the EU.

On this topic, **WIDE+** has also signed an [open letter](#) from the network **EU-Mexico**, that demands EU politicians not to sign the EU-Mexico free trade agreement (EU-Mexico FTA). **There are two things you could do to support the fight to stop the EU-Mexico FTA:**

1) You could send an email to other organizations and allies so that they also consider signing the open letter: <http://s2bnetwork.org/stop-eu-mexico-trade-agreement/>

You can find the form to sign the letter here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeubjHfplgwRIhk-86i4_DQoyotcgZq5vpykmjzSdyuV4Gj0A/viewform

2) Join the campaign! There is a mailing list where civil society organizations connect and organize next steps. There will be a strategy meeting in December. If you want to become more active in the campaign, participate in meetings and be up to date with the latest developments, let us know and we will add you to the mailing list. You can send an email to: l.barcelona@tni.org.

New resource guide by WIDE+: “Including Gender Equality in Youth Volunteerism: Tips, Concepts, and Methodologies”

project with a programme on gender equality and inclusion with young people. Read the guide [here](#).

WIDE+ Gender & Trade Working Group will participate in the WTO Trade Congress on Gender, 5-7 December

The WIDE+ Gender and Trade Working Group members will participate in the WTO Trade Congress on Gender. This congress will be held from 5 to 7 December this year at the WTO in Geneva. Active members will critically follow all the sessions and promote a feminist perspective. In particular, we will highlight the important role of civil society and trade unions into trade policy, suggesting more access and attention for women-led organisations. WIDE+ will present with member [WO=MEN, the Dutch Gender platform](#), a paper that will review the different modalities and mechanisms for the participation of women's rights civil society in EU trade policy. This paper will assess how women's rights civil society has been engaged in EU trade policy, what has been the result of this engagement, and what could be done by the EU and member states to improve this involvement. This paper is currently developed as a collective effort with the contributions of WG members.

Registration: The registration has just been opened. It is not restricted, but the deadline is **18 November**:

Programme: https://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news22_e/women_01nov22_e.htm,

Registration: https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/womenandtrade_e/wtc_gender22_e/registration_e.htm

Would you like to be involved in our Working Group?

The Gender and Trade Working Group members are very happy to welcome new members or existing members that have not been active this year. Kindly reach out to Gea Meijers if you want to be involved in this process or any of the other activities: Gea.Meijers23@gmail.com.

WIDE+ has signed on the "Statement on ISDS and Climate" - deadline to sign 4 November, ahead of COP27

Investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) threatens climate action. As the UN climate conference COP 27 starts, civil society organisations, including WIDE+, call on governments around the world to put an end to this unjust and dangerous system. ISDS empowers transnational corporations to sue governments in secretive tribunals outside of the national legal system over law and policy changes that they fear could

reduce their profits. For many years, oil, gas, mining, extractives and energy corporations have brought hundreds of ISDS cases against countries - energy and mining cases make up 42% of known ISDS cases.

We must urgently get rid of the ISDS system. The evidence of years of damage to the environment, land, health and self-determination of peoples all around the world is stark, and the renewed urgency of the climate imperative is beyond doubt. Reform proposals are weak, ineffective and totally inadequate for what is needed. Governments must take immediate action to put an end to the risks of ISDS.

To sign the statement before COP27, see the letter [here](#).

If there are WIDE+ members attending the upcoming COP27, feel free to inform us so we can connect you to each other. You can also follow [WECF International](#) for events, discussions, and information about gender and climate justice at the conference.

New blogpost from WIDE+, "The 7th European Migration Forum: The EU's double standards and gender-blind migration policies"



At the 7th EMF is Nurhidayah Hassan (left), Programme Coordinator of WIDE+ migration and gender working group, and Marcela de la Peña Valdivia (right), long-time WIDE+ member and partner of the working group

WIDE+ attended the recent 7th [European Migration Forum \(EMF\)](#) on 20-21 October, organised by the European Commission (EC) and the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC). This year's EMF focused on the theme of young migrants and their role in migration integration in Europe. While topics like youth participation in the labour market and education pathways for young migrants were vibrantly discussed, one of the most evident concerns raised by participants during the meeting was the EU's double standards when it comes to the treatment of refugees from Ukraine versus

those from other backgrounds. Another element missing in the 2-day discussion is a gender lens on youth and migration policies. Read the full blogpost [here](#).

MEMBERS AND PARTNERS NEWS

Join WO-MI for online event, "Brazil-Colombia Elections: Reflect with Diaspora Collectives, 14 Nov, 3-5pm CET



In this roundtable, [Wo-Mi Women Migrants](#) and Colectiva Mujeres en Migración por la Paz, supported by WIDE+, invite you to feminist reflections on the last elections of Brazil and Colombia, articulating the global with the local. This event will highlight the agency of ALL women, visualizing a diasporic, feminist, and migrant reading that enriches and decolonize the debate. On this occasion, we will listen to the first personal impressions, feminist opinions, and collective questionings with a migrant perspective of the results of the last elections in both countries, jointly from Brazil, Germany, Denmark, and Colombia - a conversation based on vibrant diasporic storytelling from the peripheries, and with the input of researchers, consultancy and fieldwork, activism, every day lived experiences and militancy in migrants networks.

The dynamization will be facilitated by Board member, Martha Salazar from Wo-Mi Women Migrants and the debaters will share their lived experience, voice, and their own narrative, building bridges and collectively inspiring us to generate actions with diaspora, from fields of interest in any issue that needs to be strengthened.

The event will be in English, Spanish and Portuguese. Kindly register for the event [here](#).

Invitation to hybrid event, "Gender Justice: What does it mean, and how can it help put us on the path towards more

peaceful and just societies?", 17 Nov, 4-6:30pm CET

On the 17th of November, WO=MEN, UN Women and the Humanity Hub will co-host a peace&justice cafe at the Humanity Hub, The Hague. This cafe's topic will be **Gender Justice: What does it mean, and how can it help put us on the path towards more peaceful and just societies?**

The United Nations has highlighted gender equality as “essential to achieve peaceful societies” and sustainable development. But despite decades of time and effort, at the current rate of change, it will take 136 years to close the global gender gap. While equity is more obvious in an area like education, in other sectors like politics and the economy, women are still to break the ‘glass ceiling’. In conflict and post-conflict settings, women are also disproportionately impacted. You can register for this hybrid event at this [link](#).

Congratulations to member NGO Atina for receiving the Child10 Award on the European Anti-Trafficking Day!



Her Majesty Queen Silvia of Sweden presented an award to director of NGO Atina, Marijana Savić. Imago source: NGO Atina

On the European Anti-Trafficking Day, WIDE+ member, [NGO Atina](#) received [Child10 Award](#) at the Royal Castle in Stockholm, Sweden. The award was presented to the director of Atina, Marijana Savić, by Her Majesty Queen Silvia of Sweden as an acknowledgment of their impactful work against human trafficking and other forms of commercial sexual exploitation of children and youth.

During its 20 years of work in the area of providing protection to victims of human trafficking, organisation Atina has received multiple awards including the [Global Catalyst Award](#) for its contribution to working with children victims of human trafficking, and many others. WIDE+ would like to extend a big congratulations to the Atina team

for their excellent work in combatting trafficking and advocating for the rights of migrant women and girls!

International Women Space hosted activist Angela Davis in Berlin on 6 October - recording of her speech online

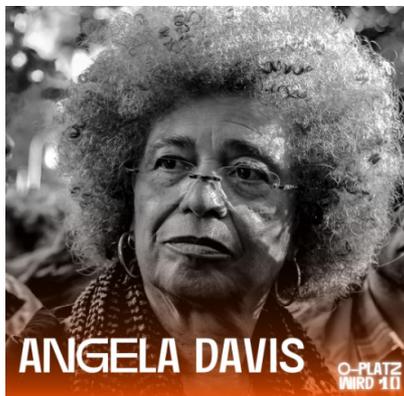


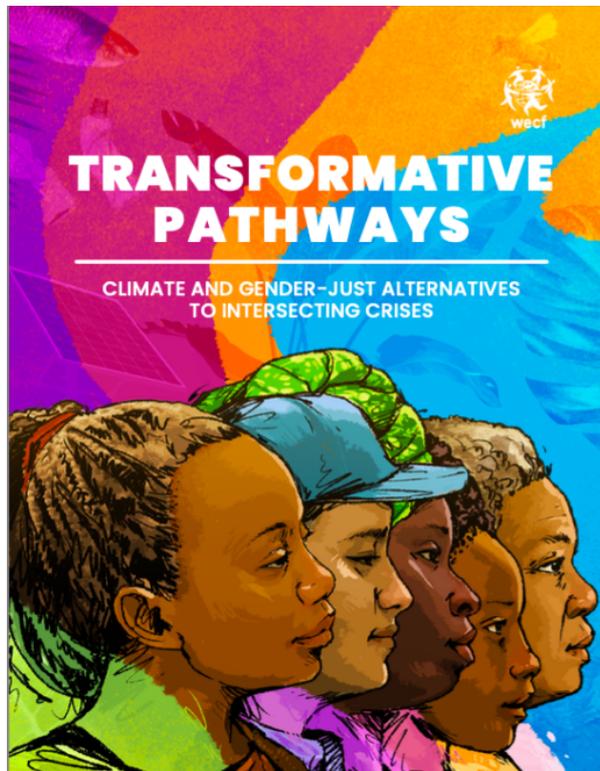
Image taken from IWS' instagram account

International Women* Space is pleased to share with you Angela Davis' speech at Oranienplatz during the arts and culture festival "[O-Platz wird 10 – Baustelle Migration](#)" commemorating 10 years of refugee and migrant occupations of O-Platz and the Gerhart-Hauptmann Schule in Berlin Kreuzberg.

The speech documented in this video is a lesson on the vestiges of colonialism and enslavement, and a reminder of women*'s power and leadership in struggles around the world. It is a speech about hope and our role as activists in transmitting hope, and it is also a speech about freedom. To watch a recording of Angela Davis' speech during the event, go to [this link](#) on IWS website.

GENERAL NEWS

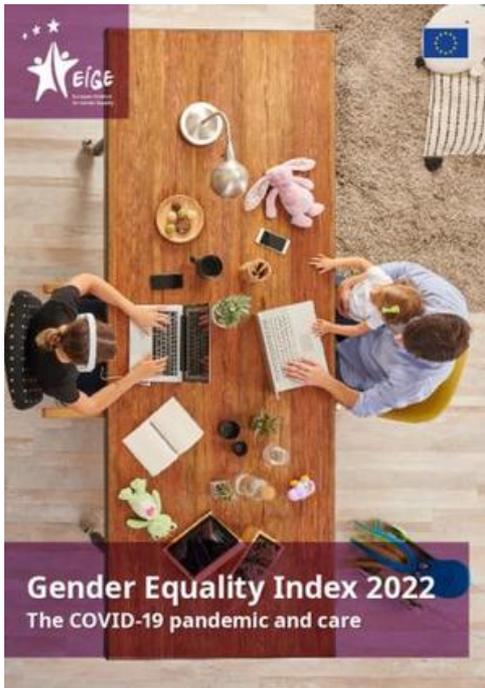
WECF launches a new publication, "Transformative pathways: climate and gender-just alternatives to intersecting crises"



This publication by WECF International analyses the [2030 Agenda](#) and [Paris Agreement](#). Moreover, it outlines recommendations for policy benchmarks needed for a transformation to a sustainable present and future. Through proposing specific economic, environmental, and gendered targets for the Sustainable Development Goals.

By systematising experiences, this publication gathers evidence on concrete alternatives to current development models. Highlighting especially community and context-based alternatives existing on the ground, where gender-just solutions are used to mitigate climate change. These solutions recognise women in all their diversity as vital agents of change. Through building people-powered democracies instead of individualistic or profit-oriented climate solutions. Download it [here](#).

[New publication by EIGE: Gender Equality Index 2022: The COVID-19 pandemic and care](#)



[New publication by ActionAid, "The Care Contradiction: The IMF, Gender and Austerity"](#)

[The Care Contradiction: The IMF, Gender and Austerity](#) highlights the ways in which the International Monetary Fund's policy advice around austerity, and massive cuts to public spending, are exacerbating gender inequality. It draws on recent research that found that 85% of the world's population will be living in the grips of stringent austerity measures by next year. Austerity measures include cutting or freezing the wages and numbers of teachers, health workers and other public sector workers. The drive to cut public budgets and public sector wage bills has been going on for decades, but the report shows these policies have no credible evidence base.

[A digital calendar that celebrates](#)

[New guides on how to track international funding for women's economic empowerment \(WEE\) and women's financial inclusion \(WFI\)](#)

Do you want to know who is funding women's financial inclusion in Nepal? Are you keen to track funding to support unpaid care work in Uganda? Do you know which groups of women funders most often cite in their women's economic empowerment funding?

For the past two years [Publish What You Fund](#), through its [Women's Economic Empowerment project](#), has developed and piloted a new approach to track funding to [women's economic empowerment \(WEE\)](#), [women's financial inclusion \(WFI\)](#), women's empowerment collectives (WECs), and to assess funders' gender integration.

Specifically, the guides:

- Provide direction on how to choose the data sets that best meet your needs
- Identify how to track gender intentionality and how to tailor the research to account for a particular country context
- Explain the different approaches to tracking funding for WEE and WFI, along with guidance on how to manually review potential projects and how to categorise them for further analysis
- Suggest areas for additional analysis depending on your areas of interest

[A new podcast series by GIWPS "Seeking Peace"](#)

outstanding women of International, European and Constitutional Law

The project, a digital calendar, "[Outstanding Women of International, European and Constitutional Law](#)" is an initiative of young researchers and students from the University of Hamburg. Their aim is to make distinguished women, and their important contributions to the development of the national and international legal order, visible and more widely known. This effort has been shared by WIDE+ Gender and Trade working group member Paulina Schiefelbein.



The "[Seeking Peace](#)" podcast series explores the role of women around the world in bringing lasting peace to their communities. Women are too often seen as victims of conflict. But they are leaders and often unsung heroes. On this show, we bring you the stories of women breaking gender barriers and changing society.

Webinar "Feminism on intersections: mainstream hashtag or activist practice?", 14 November 2.00 - 4.00 PM CET

Hosted by FemFund Poland, this webinar is part of our joint project "Feminist Landscapes - Civil society dialogue with all voices", in which the Women's foundations from Armenia, Georgia and Ukraine are involved.

No further registration is required. If you want to participate in the webinar, just follow this zoom link at the specified time:

<https://zoom.us/webinar-feminism-on-intersections>

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