

WOMEN GENDER CONSTITUENCY

of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

PRESS ADVISORY:

WOMEN AND GENDER CONSTITUENCY INVITES ALL MEDIA TO TWO PRESS EVENTS
FOR GENDER DAY AT THE UNFCCC COP 20

Tuesday, 9 DECEMBER 2014 • PRESS ROOM 2, BUILDING D • 11.00 h & 18.30 h

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11.00 h

REFOCUSING GENDER DAY:

**“Demanding Gender Equality and Women's Human Rights
on a Just, Equitable and Healthy Planet”**

Priscilla Achakpa	National Coordinator for Nigeria, Women Environmental Programme, Nigeria
Sabine Bock	Director, Climate and Energy, Women in Europe for a Common Future, Germany
Maria Theresa Lauron	Programme Manager, IBON Foundation – International, Philippines
Mrinalini Rai	Indigenous Advisor & Gender Expert/ Community Conservation Resilience Initiative at Global Forest Coalition, Nepal
Ana Rojas	Consultant, Gender, Energy and Climate Change Specialist, Global Gender & Climate Alliance (GGCA), Costa Rica
Liane Schalatek	Associate Director, Heinrich Böll Foundation North America, United States

18.30 h

FROM THE GROUND TO THE CONFERENCE HALL:

“Actions and Demands for Women’s Rights and Climate Justice”

Nafisa Ababukar	Women’s Environment Programme, Nigeria
Bridget Burns	Director, Advocacy and Communications, Women’s Environment and Development Organization, (WEDO), United States
Carmen Capriles	Reaccion Climatica, Bolivia
Osprey Lake	Women’s Earth and Climate Action Network-International (WECAN)
Agnes Otzelberger	Climate Change Adaptation and Gender Coordinator, CARE International United Kingdom
Kalyani Rai	Member-in-Charge, All India Women’s Conference (AIWC), India
Alina Saba	Mugal Indigenous Women’s Upliftment Institute / Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development, Nepal (APWLD)

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Participating Organizations in 9 December Press Conferences for Women & Gender Constituency

Asian Pacific Women in Law and Development

APWLD is Asia Pacific's leading feminist network with over 180 members from 25 countries in the region promoting women's human rights, and empowering women to claim equality, justice, peace and sustainable and inclusive development. <http://apwld.org>

CARE International

CARE is a leading humanitarian organization fighting global poverty with a special focus on working with poor women by providing resources. CARE works in over 87 countries around the world. www.care-international.org

Global Forest Coalition (GFC)

GFC is an international coalition of NGOs and Indigenous Peoples' Organizations defending social justice and the rights of forest peoples in forest policies. <http://globalforestcoalition.org>

Global Gender and Climate Alliance (GGCA)

The GGCA is a UN-NGO alliance working on gender and climate change with membership from national and international institutions and organisations working to underline the importance of gender in climate change decision-making, policies and initiatives. <http://www.gender-climate.org>

Heinrich Böll Foundation North America, United States

HBF strives to promote democracy, civil society, equality and a healthy environment internationally. The Washington, DC office provides expertise on issues related to the HBF mission. Headquartered in Berlin, Germany, the [Heinrich Böll Stiftung](http://www.boell.org) has 30 offices worldwide and cooperates with more than 200 partners in more than 60 countries. <http://us.boell.org>

IBON Foundation – International

IBON seeks to promote an understanding of socio-economic issues that serves the interests of the Filipino people through policy analysis, research and capacity building. <http://iboninternational.org>

REACCIÓN CLIMÁTICA is a collective of volunteers whose mission is to raise public awareness on climate change in Bolivia. <http://reaccionclimatica.webs.com>

Women Environment Programme

WEP is an NGO with a focus on addressing gender injustices on issues relating to environmental, economic and social rights of women, children and youth. <http://wepnigeria.net/>

Women in Europe for a Common Future

WECF is an international network of over 150 women's environmental and health organisations implementing projects in 50 countries and advocating globally for a healthy environment for all. <http://www.wecf.eu/>

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Women's Earth and Climate Action Network (WECAN)

WECAN is dedicated to climate justice and in protecting and defending the earth's ecosystems and biodiversity for future generations <http://wecaninternational.org/>

Women's Environment & Development Organization

Promotes and protects human rights, gender equality and the integrity of the environment.
<http://www.wedo.org/>

The Women and Gender Constituency will be actively participating throughout the 2 weeks of COP 20.

WGC events and programmes at COP 20 are attached here, and their work can be followed at the [WGC website](#) and by following [@WGC_UNFCCC](#), [#GenderCOP20](#) on.

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The Women and Gender Constituency (WGC) - made up of international, regional and national networks working on the intersections of women's rights, gender equality and the environment- is the formal space for women's and gender civil society organizations to debate, streamline and strengthen the positions, and engage effectively in the UNFCCC climate change negotiations. The Constituency draws upon global commitments to gender equality and women's rights, especially as they relate to climate change and related commitments and Conventions. The Constituency works to ensure human rights and a gender perspective is incorporated into UNFCCC negotiations, plans and actions. **Website:** www.womengenderclimate.org

Member Organizations: All India Women's Conference (AIWC); Asia-Pacific Forum on Women Law and Development (APFWLD); Centre for 21st Century Issues (C21st); ENERGIA, part of the ETC Foundation; LIFE- Education Environment Equality e.V.; GenderCC; Global Forest Coalition; Huairou Commission International; Council for Adult Education (ICAE); Watershed Organisation Trust (WOTR); Women Environmental Programme (WEP); Women Organizing for Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management (WOCAN); Women's Environment & Development Organization (WEDO); Youth Action for Development (AJED-CONGO).



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