



# COMMUNICATIONS

DURING THE CLIMATE NEGOTIATIONS IN BONN, 2017 (COP23)

#### **#WOMENCLIMATEJUSTICE**

WGC provides a space for women and non-binary persons to raise their voices on issues of women's rights, gender equality within the UNFCCC policy framework. Get our member's latest updates by following this hashtag.



We are demanding a robust GAP that moves beyond gender-washing. Follow this hashtag on Twitter for the latest updates on our work to ensure the adoption of a GAP responding to our diversities.

#### **#OURSOLUTIONS**

This campaign is tied to the gender just climate solutions award and it highlights the work women already do to challenge and transform gender roles and fight climate change.

# **#WOMENDEFENDCOMMONS**

2016 was one of the deadliest years for women fighting on the frontline for their human rights and environmental justice. This campaign will show what real wonder women look like, honour freedom fighters and raise awareness of the work left to do to ensure their safety.



#### **OUR AIM**

The Women and Gender Constituency is at the climate negotiations in Bonn, hosted by Fiji (COP23). Join us online as we demand that our decision-makers step up their commitments on gender equality within the Paris Agreement.





#### **OUR MEMBER'S CAMPAIGNS**

Pacific campaigns

#PacificCOP23

#PPGCCSD

#PICAN

#StandWithPacific

#1o5

#StopAdani

Thematic campaigns

#NoMoreCoal

#womenlead

#climateresisters

#womenlead

#klimademo

#feministfossilfuelfreefuture

#endcoal

#notwithoutus

#movethemoney

#### THEMATIC DAYS

We have 4 thematic days this year, during which representatives from the below groups host the caucuses in the morning. Please use the tweets in this communications plan related to the themes:

8 Nov: Pacific Island Women's Day

9 Nov: Young Feminist Day

**13 Nov:** Gender-Just Transition Day **15 Nov:** Indigenous Women's Day

#### PRESS CONFERENCES

8 Nov: (16:00-16:30) Women Leaders Demands for

Climate Justice

14 Nov: (12:00-12:30) Gender Day: Just Solutions and

Action

#### **IMPORTANT LINKS**

Tweets - http://bit.ly/2znEyhC

Graphics & photos - http://bit.ly/2zhMscT

Our key demands - http://bit.ly/2zmguvF

Recommendations for the GAP - http://bit.ly/2zo7ndM

Gender events - http://bit.ly/2iysbFC



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# KEY DEMANDS

# WOMEN DEMAND A GENDER-JUST TRANSITION

- Adopt a robust gender action plan
- 2 Deliver on finance
- Plan for real ambition via the 2018 Facilitative Dialogue
- 4 Effectively address loss and damage
- 5 Implement rights-based national policies
- Create a rights-based platform for indigenous peoples and local communities
- 7 Develop rules for community consultation and consent
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- 12 Ensure climate 'solutions' are gender-just
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- 14 Protect ecological food systems
- 15 Be led by ecosystem-based approaches
- 16 Preserve the ocean
- 17 Make fisheries and aquaculture sustainable
- 18 Know that water is life
- 19 Promote health, including sexual and reproductive health and rights



#### **TWEETS**

The below tweets are based on our key demands. Feel free to build on them and add your own messages and graphics.

#### Demand 1:Adopt a robust gender action plan (GAP)

#COP23 needs to adopt robust gender action plan (GAP) to advance gender-responsive & human-rights based climate policy & action! #mindthegap

URGENT: we need to transition from a deeply unjust fossil-fuel based economy to sustainable, just, feminist development #mindthegap

THE GAP needs sex & gender disaggregated data plus analysis from all levels - local and traditional knowledge! #mindthegap

Tired of seeing men everywhere at #COP23? We need gender balance in all spaces w/ effective participation of grassroots women #mindthegap

Developed countries should finance the GAP, while all countries should end the wage gap between men and women #mindthegap #COP23

Systematically integrate gender in climate change actions, involving all stakeholders & social groups, part. indigenous women #COP23

#### **Demand 2: Deliver on finance**

Built empire off colonization and slavery - developed countries MUST meet their public financial comments to the developing world #COP23

Put your money to your mouth - developed countries should increase assistance for adaptation and needs for loss and damage #COP23

Climate finance must serve the people & not profits. Feminists say NO to public-private partnerships! #womenclimatejustice

Yeah Trudeau is cute, but his continuation of Canadian mining corporations in Latin Am. is not! Canada we are watching! #WomenDefendCommons

Money for community ownership, Not for private public partnership! #womenclimatejustice

#### **Demand 3: Move the money**

Green climate fund: 10 billion USD. Global military spending: 1.6 trillion. Are we investing to save our planet or to killing it? #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Trump pulling out of Paris means the 3 billion USD pledge to the #GCF will not actualize. This is not an alternative fact. #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Money for jobs and education! Not for wars and corporations! #womenclimatejustice Money for health and education! Not for death and occupation! #womenclimatejustice



#### **TWEETS**

#### Demand 4:Plan for real ambition via the 2018 Facilitative Dialogue

#COP23 must encourage enhanced ambition & collaboration between Parties, for successful outcomes from the Facilitative Dialogue

Facilitative Dialogue must urgently address the implementation gap in keeping warming below 1.5 degrees. #105 #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Facilitative Dialogue needs strong #MOI & commitment to gender equality & HRs in natl climate actions #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

The Facilitative Dialogue must ensure relevant inputs from non-Party stakeholders are also adequately considered #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#### Demand 5: Effectively address loss and damage

Action to address loss & damage from climate change is an independent pillar of the #ParisAgreement #COP23

1/4 of NDCs incl loss & damage; 44% of small island developing states refer to loss & damage in their #NDCs. #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#COP23 must accelerate the work on L&D, taking into account the needs of the most affected, ie climate migrants! #womenclimatejustice

L&D finance needs to follow #CBDR, historical responsibilities, respective capabilities & channel to affected communities, like women #COP23

The world cannot expect poor people & poor countries to pay insurance premiums for a problem they did not create. #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

How to fund L&D: fossil fuel extraction levy, bunkers levy, financial transaction tax, aviation levy, tax the 1% #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

# Demand 6: Create a robust and rights-based platform for indigenous peoples and local communities

Demand the implementation of IP's right to free, prior & informed consent in every intervention, document & policy in their lands #COP23

Honor the traditional knowledge of indigenous peoples, urban poor, rural & remote communities in all responses! #WomenDefendCommons #COP23

Feminism also means fighting for the right of indigenous people to practice self-determination #WomenDefendCommons #COP23

From Ramapough to Palestine, toxic water is a crime! From Flint to Standing Rock, we will not be stopped! #WomenDefendCommons #COP23

#### **TWEETS**

#### Demand 7: Implement rights-based national policies

Did you know that only 64/190 nationally determined contributions (NDCs) include a reference to women & gender? #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

NDCs must be holistic: taking into account intl law, gender equality & HR, Paris Preamble principles, & #SDGs! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Parties must ensure active participation of women's right organizations & gender experts while impl. #NDCs #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Invite women to the table, and not what's on the menu! Ensure active women participation in national policies! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#### Demand 8: Break free from fossil fuels

Now is the time for the Global N to fix its act: women of the world demand a transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Developed nations should halt the creation of any new coal power plants - it's the responsible thing to do! #COP23 #endcoal

The msg is clear: women demand a fossil-free future! Starting w developed states breaking free from fossil fuels #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Developed countries' goals should be energy efficiency & meeting ppls' needs. Transition from fossil fuels now! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#### **Demand 9: Place communities over markets**

Market-based mechanisms have failed to reduce GHG! We need a transformative approach! No more business as usual! #womenclimatejustice #COP23

Market-based mechanisms to reduce GHG have caused human & women's rights violations, let us transform this! #womenclimatejustice #COP23

#COP23 needs GHG reduction that respect HR, gender equality, rights of IP, local community strategies & environ. integrity #womenclimatejustice

#OurSolutions to reduce GHG is to end coal production!Move away from market-based mechanisms, uplift womxn & community led solutions! #COP23

### Demand 10: Listen to people, not profit

#COP23 must maintain a coherent understanding & enforcement of the concepts of duty bearers & rights holders

The UNFCCCs #COP23 needs robust policy & procedures to deal with conflict of interests #PeopleNotProfit!

Fossil fuel companies have a strong interest in profits from fossil fuels, people have a strong interest in human rights #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#COP23 must listen to people, not profits! #womenclimatejustice #womendefendcommons States at #COP23 have a duty to regulate corporations that cause human rights violations & contribute to climate change #womenclimatejustice



#### **TWEETS**

#### Demand 11: Protect ecological food systems

#COP23 Promote a shift away from our industrial food system/industrial livestock farming, to local and indigenous crop-based food systems

Traditional crops & heritage variety help deliver resilience to climate change & food sovereignty for small holders & women #OurSolutions #CP23

Traditional crops increase agricultural diversity promoting ecological diversity w/ indigenous varieties #oursolutions #COP23

Traditional crops & heritage variety improve resilience of communities #OurSolutions #COP23 Demand women's access 2 productive resources, secure tenure rights 2 land, food security & survival in a climate change #womenclimatejustice #COP23

#### Demand 12: Be led by ecosystem-based approaches

Climate change adaptation and resilience should be gender-responsive, ecosystem-based, community-driven and holistic #OurSolutions #COP23

#COP23 Governments should provide appropriate forms of legal, policy and financial support for gender responsive adaptation #OurSolutions

Large-scale bio sequestration for mitigation threaten the lives and livelihoods of women and men on the ground, and to biodiversity #COP23

Large-scale bio sequestration for mitigation are far more prone to droughts, wildfires, landslides and other extremes #COP23

Feminists say STOP to all forms of public support to monoculture tree plantations! #OurSolutions #COP23

#### Demand 13: Preserve the ocean

#COP23 need to develop effective #Adaptation measures to address sea level rise, ocean warming and ocean acidification #WomenClimateJustice

Coastal ecosystems like river deltas, estuaries, sand dunes, mangroves & coral reefs are in grave danger. #COP23 need to protect our ocean!

Enough with plastics into the oceans! #COP23 must take action to prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds.

While the ocean keeps getting polluted, actions preventing from land-based activities must be included! #COP23 #WomenClimateJustice

#### **TWEETS**

#### Demand 13: Know that water is life

#COP23 we demand that you ensure water security for women, girls & protect the human right to water. #womenclimatejustice #sdg6

Our siblings who lives on the climate frontlines experience severe lack of access to potable water due to climate change. #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

By ensuring water security, states will improve the right to life, water, food, health and education! What are we waiting for? #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Countries should undertake extensive environmental impact & social assessment with a gender lens BEFORE approving water mgmt projects! #COP23

#### Demand 14: Promote health, including sexual and reproductive health and rights

Let's get serious about right to health in #ParisAgreement, promote #SRHR, deconstruct gender norms & roles! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

All policies & strategies focusing on #climatechange and health should be linked (but not limited to) the #SDGs! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice.

Health policies under #ParisAgreement must safeguard people's health, incl #SRHR, as well as strategies to end child/forced marriage. #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

We urge #COP23 to recognize #SRHR as important to achieve gender equality in #adaptation strategies. #womenclimatejustice

National adaptation plans, programmes & budgeting must incorporate #SRHR (incl end forces marriage) if #COP23 is serious about health! #womenclimatejustice

Women & girl's autonomy on deciding when and how often they have children leads to empowerment of entire communities! #srhr #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#### Demand 15: Ensure climate 'solutions' are gender-just

Alleviate rather than add to women's paid and unpaid workload: this is a gender-just climate solution #womenclimatejustice #COP23

Climate solutions must strive to be gender-just & ensure equal access to energy! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Women demand gender-just climate solutions promoting their human rights! #WomenClimateJustice #COP23

Climate solutions should be designed to alleviate (rather than add to) women's paid and unpaid workload! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

Climate solutions are gender-just when they lead with better access to making decisions #WomenClimateJustice #COP23 #notwithoutus

Women need climate solutions ensuring livelihood security, food sovereignty and #SRHR! #COP23

#### **TWEETS**

#### Demand 16: Develop rules for community consultation and consent

#COP23: agree on clear rules on ensuring public participation, access 2 information, consultation & consent on NDCs implementation under PA

#COP23 needs to consult with gender-dimensions & gender experts & women's civil society groups in domestic strategies and plans

Feminists demand better institutionalization of civil society engagement, including specific space for women's CSOs #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#COP23 and all UN spaces claim they want to Leave No One Behind, but we are denied access to consultations, resources & meetings!

#### Demand 17: Promote energy democracy

#OurSolutions move us away from top-down market based approaches for energy distribution & control over natural resources #COP23

Parties at #COP23 must demand communities, including women, have control over their own energy systems and over other natural resources

Think fossil fuels are needed to keep the lights on to stop rape? How about putting women in control of their own energy systems #COP23

#COP23 must reject unsafe energy proposals like CCS and nuclear energy & choose options that are not high risk #OurSolutions

#COP23 must promote energy democracy, not propose high risk solutions that pose uncertainties over biodiversity food security & livelihoods

Energy transition must be gender just & reflect the needs of the ppl! #COP23 #womenclimatejustice

#### **ABOUT US**

#### Women and Gender Constituency - womengenderclimate.org

A coalition of 27 NGOs established in 2009; was recognised as official observer by the UNFCCC Secretariat in 2011. WGC demands full realisation of women's rights, gender justice and environmental protection throughout all UNFCCC processes (including Agenda 2030). The WGC provides a number of ways for civil society and non-governmental organizations which work for women's rights and gender justice, environmental protection, or both, to influence the annual conferences and help develop the UNFCCC. It provides a platform to exchange information between members and with the UNFCCC Secretariat. The constituency also ensures that meetings, workshops and conferences include the participation and representation of women's civil society and non-governmental organizations which otherwise would not be able to attend.







