

GENDER ISSUES

Websites and Links

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United Nations Inter-Agency Network on Women and Gender Equality (IANWGE)

<http://www.un.org/womenwatch>

WomenWatch is a joint initiative of DAW (Division on the Advancement of Women), UNIFEM (UN Development Fund for Women) and INSTRAW (UN International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women). The website offers many links to other relevant UN sites as well as external links.



<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/>

The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) was established as a functional commission of the Economic and Social Council by Council resolution 11(II) of 21 June 1946 to prepare recommendations and reports to the Council on promoting women's rights in political, economic, civil, social and educational fields.

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)

<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw>

One of the most important documents on Gender Equality, CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women) can be found on this site.



<http://www.unhcr.ch>

To find "**Women**", go to "Quick find" on the very left side, then click "Women"

In any refugee population, approximately 50 percent of the uprooted people are women and girls. In the last few years, UNHCR has developed a series of special programmes to ensure women have equal access to protection, basic goods and services as they attempt to rebuild their lives. Besides the basic facts about UNHCR and Women, the homepage has a wide range of links to other women related websites and projects.



<http://www.undp.org/women/>

Recognizing that gender equality is a key element in development, UNDP has created this special website for gender issues: policies, programmes, capacity building etc.

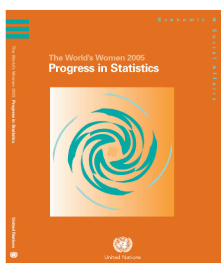
The RBEC Gender Network distributes a newsletter that you can subscribe to by sending an email to: rbec-gender@groups.undp.org

<http://gender.undp.sk/index.cfm>

UNDP Gender library for Europe and CIS. Has gender-related resources by topic and by country in the region.



<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic/ww2000/index.htm>



This is the latest document from the UN documenting trends and statistics on women regarding population, women and men facilities, health, education, communication, work, human rights and political decision making.



WOMEN'S RIGHTS

<http://www.hrw.org/women/>

This website provides access to recent reports of Human Rights Watch on Women's Rights (HR Development, Discrimination, Role of the International Community, Violence against women etc.) as well as summary reports on women's rights.



<http://www.worldbank.org/gender/>

The website of the Worldbank provides gender-disaggregated demographic data and tables on population dynamics, labor force structure, education and health for worldwide regions and countries.

Harassment Hotline Inc.

<http://www.end-harassment.com>

The harassment hotline offers information on what harassment is and what is not for both employees and employers.



<http://www.womenlobby.org/site/hp.asp>

The **European Women's Lobby (EWL)** is the largest co-ordinating body of national and European non-governmental women's organisations in the European Union, with over 3000 member associations in the 15 Member States. The EWL's goal is to achieve equality of women and men in Europe and to serve as a link between political decision-makers and women's organisations at EU level.



<http://www.equalitynow.org>

Equality Now works for the protection and promotion of the human rights of women around the world. Working with national human rights organizations and individual activists, Equality Now documents violence and discrimination against women and adds an international action overlay to support their efforts to advance equality rights and defend individual women who are suffering abuse.



<http://www.feminist.org>

Through the "Feminist Internet Gangway" you have access to an incredible list of links on women and girls specific issues and gender issues in general.

**Women's Environment and Development
Organization**

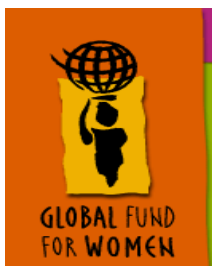
www.wedo.org

WEDO is an international advocacy organization that seeks to increase the power of women worldwide as policymakers at all levels in governments, institutions and forums to achieve economic and social justice, a healthy and peaceful planet, and human rights for all.



<http://www.law-lib.utoronto.ca/diana/mainpage.htm>

The Women's Human Rights Resources web site is a project of the Bora Laskin Law Library at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Law. The site is produced by the Women's Human Rights Resources group in consultation and collaboration with law librarians, lawyers, students, researchers, activists and human rights experts around the world.



<http://www.globalfundforwomen.org>

The Global Fund for Women is a foundation for supporting women's human rights organisations around the world working to address critical issues such as gaining economic independence, increasing girl's access to education and stopping violence against women.



<http://www.womenink.org>

Women, Ink, a project of the International Women's Tribune Centre (IWTC), started in 1992 with a small collection of 22 books from the United Nations Fund for Women (UNIFEM). Over the years, our collection has been steadily growing to become a 'one-stop-shop' for books on women and development. We are proud to say that we now have over 200 titles from 60 publishers worldwide.



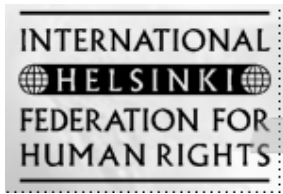
<http://www.icrc.org/>

Under "Humanitarian Law" you will find the Link "Women and War" to women relevant sites.



<http://www.womenforwomen.org>

Women for Women International's program begins with direct financial and emotional support; fosters awareness and understanding of women's rights; offers vocational skills training; and provides access to income-generation support and micro credit loans that together can help women restart their lives in ways that are independent, productive, and secure.



<http://www.ihf-hr.org>







Click on the field "Search" to find a link to "Women's Rights"

The International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights is a self-governing group of non-governmental, not-for-profit organizations that act to protect human rights throughout Europe, North America and Central Asia. A primary specific goal is to monitor compliance with the human rights provisions of the Helsinki Final Act and its Follow-up Documents.



<http://www.iom.int/>

If you fill in the keyword "gender" to the search box, you will find the following links:

-  Working Group on Gender Issues
-  Gender Focal Points
-  IOM Gender and Migration News Bulletin
-  IOM Policy
-  Key Documents
-  Related Websites



<http://www.unifem.org/>

UNIFEM is the women's fund at the United Nations. It provides financial and technical assistance to innovative programmes and strategies that promote women's human rights, political participation and economic security. Within the UN system, UNIFEM promotes gender equality and links women's issues and concerns to national, regional and global agendas by fostering collaboration and providing technical expertise on gender mainstreaming and women's empowerment strategies.



<http://www.stabilitypact.org/gender/default.asp>

Countries of the region have an extremely low percentage of women participating in national parliaments and local politics. The main objective is the promotion of greater women's political participation. Women's capacity building, increasing women's chances to stand for election and strengthening national gender mechanisms for the promotion of equality are the priorities.



<http://www.stabilitypact.org>

Association for Women's Rights in Development



<http://www.awid.org>

The Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID) is an international membership organization connecting, informing and mobilizing people and organizations committed to achieving gender equality, sustainable development and women's human rights. Our goal is to cause policy, institutional and individual change that will improve the lives of women and girls everywhere. We do this by facilitating ongoing debates on fundamental and provocative issues as well as by building the individual and organizational capacities of those working for women's empowerment and social justice.

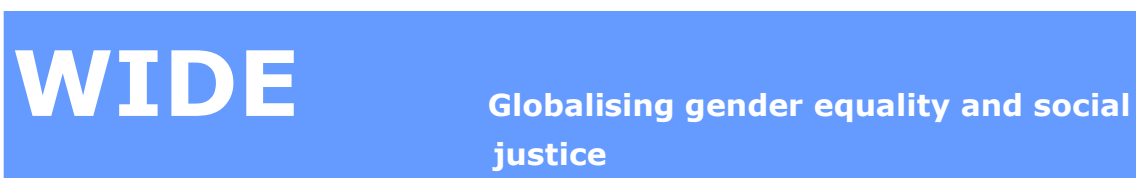


<http://www.whrnet.org/>

International Information Centre and Archives for the Women's Movement

<http://www.iiav.nl/eng/index.html>

The IIAV is the source, the intermediary and the supplier of information and documentation for all those who occupy themselves with the position of women, whether it concerns books, periodicals, data, addresses, archives, visual materials, current or historical, national or international.



<http://www.eurosur.org/wide/home.htm>

Network Women in Development Europe is a European network of development NGOs, gender specialists and human rights activists. WIDE monitors and influences international economic and development policy and practice from a feminist perspective. WIDE's work is grounded on women's rights as the basis for the development of a more just and democratic world order. WIDE strives for a world based on gender equality and social justice that ensures equal rights for all, as well as equal access to resources and opportunities in all spheres of political, social and economic life.



International Fellowship of Reconciliation

Internationaler Versöhnungsbund
Mouvement International de la Réconciliation
Movimiento Internacional de la Reconciliación

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The Netherlands / Pays-Bas
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<http://www.ifor.org>

The **International Fellowship Of Reconciliation (IFOR)** is an international, multi-faith movement of women and men committed to active non-violence as a way of life and as a means of political, social, and economic transformation.



<http://www.oecd.org>

Search for "Gender" and you will get the following page: DAC work in the area of gender equality is conducted primarily through the Network on Gender Equality/ GENDERNET (former Working Party on Gender Equality). GENDERNET is the only international forum where gender experts from development co-operation agencies meet to define common approaches in support of gender equality.



<http://www.netuni.nl>

Netherlands Institute of International Relations

Clingendael

<http://www.clingendael.nl>

The Initiative for Inclusive Security

A Program of Hunt Alternatives Fund

<http://www.womenwagingpeace.net>

The Initiative for Inclusive Security (formerly known as *Women Waging Peace*) advocates for the full participation of all stakeholders, especially women, in peace processes around the world. Of the many sectors of society currently excluded from peace processes, none is larger or more critical to success than women.



PeaceWomen

Women's International
League for Peace and
Freedom

<http://www.peacewomen.org>

The PeaceWomen Project monitors and works toward rapid and full implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security.



<http://www.wilpf.int.ch>

Wilpf is an international non-Governmental Organization working toward world peace; total and universal disarmament; the abolition of violence and coercion in the settlement of conflict and its replacement in every case by negotiation and conciliation.



Q Web - Women's Empowerment Base



Beijing +10 Knowledge Portal

<http://www.qweb.kvinnoforum.se/>

Q Web is an interactive global resource-base and platform for knowledge-sharing between organisations, students, researchers and individuals who are interested in, working with or researching the field of Gender Equality, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights as well as Empowerment.

You can sign up to receive new and interesting resources by writing to: Qweb@kvinnoforum.se

WWSF Women's World Summit Foundation: women and children first

<http://www.woman.ch/home.asp>

WWSF, a humanitarian, non-governmental and international, non-confessional and non-profit organization with United Nations consultative status (ECOSOC, UNFPA and DPI), works for a new development paradigm with and for women and children. Its principle objective is to empower women, children and NGOs. WWSF programs serve to help implement women's and children's rights, to generate increased commitment and support for the realization of agreed development goals, and to hold world leaders accountable to their promises made at numerous UN summits and international conferences.



<http://www.eldis.org/about/index.htm>

To find information on gender click on "gender" in the box to the right.

Eldis is one of a family of knowledge services from the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex. Eldis is core funded by Sida, Norad, SDC and DFID and maintain an ever-growing collection of editorially selected and abstracted full-text, online documents selected by our editors from more than 4,500 different publishers. All documents are available free of charge.

<http://www.women-without-borders.org/home/>

Women without Borders is an advocacy, PR and lobbying organisation for women around the globe. As an international initiative for women in politics and civil society, Women without Borders offers women a forum so that their voices can be heard and their concerns made public.

On this website you can request subscription to the Women without borders newsletter.



<http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/>

The purpose of the Gender and Diversity Program is to help the CGIAR Centers leverage their rich staff diversity to increase research and management excellence. We promote such activities as diversity positive recruitment, international teamwork, cross-cultural communications and advancement for women. This site is our opportunity to share resources and results with you.



<http://www.un-instraw.org/en/>

INSTRAW is the only United Nations entity mandated at the international level to promote and undertake research and training programmes to contribute to the advancement of women and gender equality worldwide. By stimulating and assisting the efforts of inter-governmental, governmental and non-governmental organizations, INSTRAW plays a critical role in advancing the global agenda of gender equality, development and peace.



<http://www.sos-sexisme.org/English/SOSSexismeUK.htm>

Write to sexisme@sos-sexisme.org to receive their newsletter.



Stop Violence against Women

A project by Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights

<http://www.stopvaw.org/>

This website is a forum for information, advocacy and change. Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights developed this website as a tool for the promotion of women's human rights in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), Mongolia, and the U.N. Protectorate of Kosovo. STOPVAW was developed with support from and in consultation with the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the Open Society Institute's Network Women's Program. This site addresses violence against women as one of the most pervasive human rights abuses worldwide. STOPVAW provides women's rights advocates with information and advocacy tools focused on ending the most endemic forms of violence against women in the region.

WOMEN'S LEARNING PARTNERSHIP FOR RIGHTS, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE

<http://www.learningpartnership.org/>

Women's Learning Partnership (WLP) is dedicated to women's leadership and empowerment. At its essence, WLP is a builder of networks, working with 18 autonomous and independent partner organizations in the Global South, particularly in Muslim-majority societies, to empower women to transform their families, communities, and societies.
