

UK GENDER & DEVELOPMENT NETWORK



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1. GADN News

- **GADN/DFID Roundtable on Violence Against Women**

On 23 April 2009, the GADN and DFID hosted a joint roundtable on violence against women at the DFID office, Palace Street. We were delighted to be joined by over 30 participants as well as some stimulating speakers. The opening remarks were given by my Ivan Lewis MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Development. We also heard from Miranda Monroe and Kemi Willims from DFID, Aine Doody (Irish Aid), Sofia Dohmen (SIDA, Sweden), DFID Rights & Equity Team and Osnat Lubrani (Director, UNIFEM, Brussels) as well as some excellent presentations from GAD Network members on their current work on VAW.

This was the last in a series of roundtables being held jointly with DFID and GADN. We would like to thank all those who attended for a fruitful and insightful event. The full report of will be circulated to all GADN members.

- **GADN Members' Meeting June 2009**

2009 is the 15th Anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development and GADN partner Marie Stopes International are spearheading a global initiative to mark the 15th anniversary of the with parliamentary action. Our objective is for a parliamentary question (PQ) to be tabled in as many countries of the world as possible.

At this meeting MSI and other speakers will share their visions on achieving universal access to sexual and reproductive health. It will be an opportunity for GADN members and colleagues to discuss sexual and reproductive health rights in the context of gender and development and the ICPD, share experiences and best practice and assess current work on sexual and reproductive health rights in development.

This meeting will take place at **Marie Stopes International** on **Thursday 4 June 2009** from 12pm onwards. Please put this date in your diary and look out for the invitation. If you would be interested in sharing your work on this topic please contact the GAD Network.

- **GADN meeting with DFID White Paper Consultation Team**

On Monday 27 April 2009, GADN members and colleagues met with the DFID White Paper team to discuss the **current White Paper consultation**. There were around 20 participants who discussed the importance of a gender perspective in the main themes of the consultation: development in the current financial crisis, climate change, development in conflict and fragile states and reform of international institutions. A GADN response will be drawn up from the comments in this meeting and circulated to GADN members.

2. GADN Members' Update

- **PLAN – Because I am a Girl Campaign Web Resources**

At the last GADN members meeting and International Women's Day Discussions on violence against women we were honoured to hear from plan about their work on Female Genital Cutting in Guinea. We are delighted to announce this information videos are now available **online** as well as other information about the Because I am Girl campaign.

- **Women for Women International - special invitation to a lunchtime discussion**

with Seida Saric, Country Director for WfWI - Bosnia & Herzegovina and Hamide Latifi, Country Director for WfWI Kosovo. Seida and Hamide will be sharing with us their detailed insights into the situation of women in Bosnia and Kosovo and the impact of the work that Women for Women International continues to have upon women and the local communities in both countries. Questions will be most welcome and light refreshments will also be provided. For more information on the event or to RSVP please email Ms Onjali Bodrul on obodrul@womenforwomen.org. RSVPs by Tuesday 5th May 2009.

- **NFWI - Launch Women & Climate change Campaign: If we can do it, so can you!**

Based on the BBC format, the event will bring together a diverse panel to discuss the ways in which women across the world can help tackle climate change, the challenges they face in doing so and the risks for all of us of failing to act. The event is chaired by Lucy Siegle, eco journalist and BBC ONE Show reporter. On the panel are:

- Juliet Davenport, Chief Executive and founder of Good Energy
- Betty Moxon, WI member and life-long eco campaigner
- A representative from the Department for Energy and Climate Change
- A representative from Oxfam

The launch is on Monday 11 May, 11am at Mary Sumner House, Tufton Street, London. To book your FREE place please contact the National Federation of Women's Institutes on 020 7371 9300 ex 213. Places are limited for the event and advance booking is required. For more information about the campaign, **please click here**.

- **CAWN – Consultancy Opportunity**

The Central American Women Network is looking for a consultant to prepare a research report that presents an analysis of the main theoretical discussions and feminist debates about patriarchy, gender relations and violence, and the links to poverty within the current economic system. For more information, **click here**.

*****If you are a member of the Gender and Development Network and would like to publicise and event or send us an update on your work, we will gladly include it in the information round-up.***

If you are not yet a GADN member and would like to become one please download the application form on our website or contact the GADN Coordinator for more information.**

3. DFID/EU/UN

- **World Survey on the Role of Women in Development (2009)**

Presented every 5th year, the World Survey on the Role of Women in Development is the flagship publication of the United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women. The 2009 World Survey will address women's control over economic resources and access to financial resources, including microfinance, within the broad framework of the economic empowerment of women. The World Survey will conceptualize women's economic empowerment in relation to economic and financial resources. It will consider a wide range of policy areas to identify the type of policies and programmes that are conducive to women's economic empowerment. Persistent obstacles to women's economic empowerment will also be addressed. The World Survey will also include a focus on methodologies and indicators for measuring women's economic empowerment. To view the consultation report & development, **please click here**.

- **UN Secretary General's Database on Violence against Women**

Launched by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon, the database offers a comprehensive and systematic way to search for data on gender-based violence. It also includes sources such as information provided by Member States in follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women (1995), as well as information available through relevant United Nations entities. **Go see the database.**

4. Development News

- **Liberia: Leading on Gender and Climate Change**
Panos London: 4 March 2009
- **US: Obama creates a Post for International Women's Issues**
AFP: 6 March 2006
- **Global: New Feminist Network for 'Glocal' Activism**
IPS 20 April 2009
- **Uganda: Embraces Low-Tech Test for Cervical Cancer**
Source: Womenenews: (20 April 2009)
- **Ominous Silence About Domestic Violence**
IPS 22 April 2009
- **Dominican Republic/Haiti: Border Market Embodies Inequalities**
IPS 29 April 2009
- **Malawi: Women's Group sues Government over Abortion Rights**
IPS 29 April 2009

5. Publications & Resources

- Book Online **AFRICAN WOMEN AND ICTs Investigating Technology, Gender and Empowerment**, Buskens, I. & A. Webb (Eds), Zed/IDRC 2009
- **Doubling the Damage: World Bank Climate Investment Funds Undermine Climate Change & Gender Justice**, Gender Action (2009)
- ADB (2009) **Gender, Poverty and Environmental Indicators on African Countries**
- Network & Information Hub on **Gender & Migration**, UN-INSTRAW
- UNIFEM (2009) **3rd Gender Responsive Budgeting Newsletter**
- IPC (2009) **The Role of Gender Inequalities in Explaining Income Growth, Poverty and Inequality: Evidences from Latin American Countries**
- IRCW (2009) **Connecting Rights to Reality: A Progressive Framework of Core Legal Protection for Women's Property Rights**
- New Website: **Palestinian Women's Research and Documentation Center**
- Athena (2009) **Mapping Emerging Trends and Neglected Issues at the Intersection of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights and HIV**
- Batliwala S. (2008) **Changing Their World: Concepts and Practices of Women's Movements**, AWID-BFEMO
- Williams, M. (2009) **Towards A Gender, Development and Climate sensitive framework for exploring solutions to the present Global Economic and Financial Crises.**

6. Campaigns/Calls for Papers

- **Women Peace Maker Programme, Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice**
Deadline: 1 June 2009
- **Training on Making Governance Gender Responsive, CAPWIP**
Philippines, 23-30 July 2009
Call for Contributions:
- **Gendered Cultures at the Crossroads of Imagination, Knowledge and Politics: 7th European Feminist Research Conference**
Utrecht, Netherlands, 4-7 June 2009
Deadline to submit a panel is 15 July 2008
- Call for Papers: **Gender, Media and the Public Sphere, International Conference**
Coimbra Portugal, 22-23 October 2009
Deadline for abstract: 15 June 2009

7. Events and Conferences

- **Eliminating Violence against Women, Rhetoric or Reality?**
Manchester Town Hall, 5 May, 13.00-16.30
- **Reforming the UN for Women with Event - VSO, ACTSA and AIDS FREE World**
Canada House, Trafalgar Square, London, UK, 19 May, 18.30 onwards
- **Gender and the Global Economic Crisis, two-week course, Gender Equality and Macroeconomics International Working Group**
29 June- 10 July 2009, New York
Deadline for application: 1 May
- **Foreign Policy Centre Report Launch: Women and Children First: Leadership and the HIV & AIDS Crisis in Africa**
5 May, 18.00-20.00, Thatcher Room, Portcullis House, London
- **Women in the Recession: Gender Equality and the Economic Crisis, Fawcett Society**
6 May, 18.00-19.30, Bothroyd Room Houses of Parliament
- **Microcredit: An Alternative for Women's Empowerment? WIDE one-day consultation**
Brussels, 15 May 2009 9.00-17.00
- **Women's Rights are Human Rights! CEDAW for Change, One week Institute**
25-29 May 2009, Toronto, Canada
- **Violence against Women- What's the Strategy? Rights of Women, Free seminar**
London, 2 June 14.00-16.30
- **The Dynamics of Women's Giving Learn how to Build and Sustain Powerful Relationships with Women Donors**
7-8 October 2009, Indianapolis, USA
- **Leadership through the Gender Lens: Women, Men and Equality in Organisations**
22-23 October 2009, Helsinki, Finland

8. Job Openings

- **Communication Advisor, the Gender and Climate Change Alliance, New York, USA**
Closing Date: 5 May 2009
- **Campaign Manager Stop Violence Against Women Campaign, Amnesty International (London, UK)**
Closing Date: 10 May 2009
- **International Consultant on Gender Responsive Budgeting, UNIFEM (Federation of Bosnia & Herzegovina and Republika Srpska)**
Closing Date: 11 May 2009
- **Request for Proposal – Participatory Gender and Rights Audit, DanChurchAid**
Closing Date: 11 May 2009
- **Research Associate - Where is the Money for Women's Rights? AWID (Flexible, but Mexico City, Toronto or Cape Town preferred)**
Closing date: 12 May 2009
- **Gender, Migration and Development Programme Advisor, UN-INSTRAW (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic)**
Closing Date: 15 May 2009
- **Director, Fundraising & Marketing, Mama Cash (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)**
Closing Date: 18 May 2009
- **Manager for Policy and Advocacy, the Women's Nobel Initiative (Ottawa, Canada)**
Closing Date: 18 May 2009
- **Director Fundraising & Marketing, Mama Cash (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)**
Closing Date: 18 May 2009
- **Senior Protection Programme Officer, Livelihoods, The Women's Refugee Commission (New York, USA)**
Open until filled

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The GAD Network has been active in advocacy and awareness-raising on gender and development issues since its founding in 1985. You can find out more about us on our website www.gadnetwork.org.uk.

If you would like to become a member of the GAD Network please download the application form from our website or contact the GAD Network Coordinator at gadnetwork@oneworldaction.org

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