FEMINIST ACTION FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE ACTION COALITION

This is a listing of collective commitments made under the Generation Equality Feminist Action for Climate Justice Action Coalition as of November 3, 2021. The Coalition is a global, innovative, multistakeholder partnership mobilizing governments, civil society, youth-led organizations, international organizations, philanthropy and the private sector.

1. Mobilizing Resources for Feminist Action for Climate Justice

Led by Global Greengrants Fund (GGF) and the Global Alliance for Green and Gender Action (GAGGA)

The collective commitment campaign goal is to mobilize more and equitable funding to gender-just climate action, prioritizing the full diversity of women and girl-led, local movements in the Global South leading environmental and climate action. Commitment-makers will advocate for flexible, multi-year, core support through climate funding policies and practices of private philanthropy and government actors. The aim is to direct climate funding to all people who identify as women or girls, leading feminist action for climate justice. The campaign will commit to mobilizing USD100M for feminist action for climate justice. For the purposes of this campaign, feminist action for climate justice is defined and understood as work driven by and centered on the rights, demands, interests, and perspectives of all people who identify as women or girls and non-binary people, particularly from the Global South; and Grassroots initiatives that contribute to climate mitigation and adaptation ensure inclusive, equitable, just and sustainable societies; and build the resilience of all people and diverse ecosystems.

2. Our territories and climate change

Led by The Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights and Tejiendo Pensamiento, Fridays for Future MAPA, Girls for Climate

Participants in this collective commitment will create safe and enabling environments for young people from low-income and middle-income sectors, including those from underrepresented and underprivileged groups, to build collective knowledge, share their work and build collective advocacy and accountability strategies around sexual and reproductive health and rights, climate change and population dynamics. These efforts will focus on the lived experiences of young people. Activities will include collecting data and demands from rural women, indigenous women, young women and adolescent girls, including those from climate affected areas, to help shape more equitable and effective policies and programmes.

This collective commitment will also drive discussion about women and girls' sexual and reproductive rights and their connection with Climate Justice. Activities will include workshops on sexual rights with indigenous and rural women and girls, articulated with an approach to resilience in natural disasters.

The commitment will uplift the voices of people who have, or take care of children, and who are also facing the impacts of the Climate Crisis, giving that maternal mortality increases in times of natural disaster, and that when women and girls are displaced due to such disasters, they are less likely to receive medical care, which puts them at higher risk of developing health complications.



3. Action for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) and Climate Justice

Led by Women Deliver, Ipas, and WEDO

In support of advancing girls' and women's health and rights, in all their intersectional identities, Women Deliver, Ipas, and WEDO, along with partners, commit to collective action and joint advocacy at the nexus of gender equality, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and climate justice.

This commitment will create a space to break down silos and to facilitate knowledge sharing, jointly mobilize, and amplify the voices and priorities of grassroots, women-, youth-, girl-, LGBTQIA+, and indigenous-led organizations from low- and middle-income countries, particularly those most affected by climate change and without continuous access to high-quality SRH services.

Enhancing collaboration for joint advocacy at this nexus can help advance mutual goals of effective climate action, gender equality, and girls' and women's health and rights. This commitment is grounded in a rights-based approach that protects and promotes individuals' rights to bodily autonomy. Read more here.

4. Green Gender Policy Platform

Led by UNDP

As governments take action to address COVID-19 and its impacts, there is urgent need to accelerate transition to green and resilient economies to ensure a sustainable pathway that keeps warming below 1.5C, while also ensuring more equitable, inclusive societies. The COVID-19 crisis has affected everyone, but women and girls have been differently impacted and are facing disproportionate economic, health and social risks. UNDP and partners will expand the COVID-19 Global Gender Response Tracker developed by UNDP and UN Women to include an integrated Gender-Environment dimension. This will build on the existing global database of policy measures, identifying available information to help frame the post-COVID recovery in a more resilient, gender-responsive and green way. This platform will leverage UNDP's existing climate change expertise at the national level, its role as the lead for the UN System's socio-economic response, as well as decades of experience in national development planning.

5. Gender and Environment Data Alliance

Led by Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) and International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

This diverse multi- stakeholder alliance intends to advance gender-just climate action at all levels through improved accessibility, understanding and application of gender-environment data. The Gender and Environment Data Alliance will:

- 1. Review, amplify, synthesize, and communicate existing comprehensive data & research at the intersection of gender and environment;
- 2. Support a cadre of experts at the intersection of gender and environment data analysis;
- 3. Provide training, capacity building and enabling technical support, including around existing intergovernmental processes, around best practices and use of data & knowledge needed to ensure gender-just climate action;
- 4. Directly support enabling conditions for gender-environment data analysis and application, including through the provision of small grants to support feminist participatory action research.



6. Scaling Action on Gender Based Violence and Climate Change

Led by International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) with United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Recognizing the barrier that pervasive gender-based violence (GBV) creates for resilience, peace, and well-being for individuals, communities, and healthy ecosystems, this commitment scales up the IUCN and USAID partnership AGENT--Advancing Gender in the Environment to tackle GBV-environment (ENV) linkages in the context of the climate crisis. AGENT'S GBV-ENV Center closes knowledge gaps while mobilizing learning and collaborative action to end GBV and secure environmental sustainability, together. Over the next 5 years, the Center will create tailored tools and provide capacity and direct support to climate decision-makers and practitioners working on gender-responsive climate action at global, national and local levels. Under the Center, USAID and IUCN will launch the next round of the Resilient, Inclusive, Sustainable Environments (RISE) grant mechanism to provide direct funding to environment and gender organizations working to address GBV as it relates to natural resource management and climate change.

7. Action Nexus of Feminist Collective Action for a Just and Healthy Planet

Led by Women's Working Group on Finance for Development (WWG on FfD); Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO); Pan-African Climate Justice Coalition (PACJA); African Women's Development and Communications Network (FEMNET)

This diverse multi-stakeholder alliance will advance an economic agenda for women, people and the planet focused on:

- a. Implementation, via a comprehensive advocacy strategy, of the robust feminist economic justice blueprint to be launched at the Beijing+25 Generation Equality Forum;
- b. Ensuring feminists, activists and grassroots women leaders are well-capacitated and networked to provide structural analysis of and advocacy for a robust, structural and intersectional agenda for feminist economic justice centered on care for women, people and planet.

The Action Nexus partners, alongside Advocacy Allies, will pursue potential activities such as:

- Origination of a collective advocacy roadmap for implementation of the feminist economic justice blueprint outlining
 key global and regional policy processes for interventions that center on trade, taxation, debt and other macroeconomic
 issues;
- Support for advocacy training, capacity building and travel coverage for grassroots feminists to intervene in these policy spaces;
- External communications including a robust communications strategy to deliver the key messages of the Feminist Blueprint, including video, Op-Eds and social media outreach;
- Creation of greater synergies between feminist and economic justice movements;
- Development of an accountability framework/ scorecard to analyze global finance flows and their progress/ challenges in meeting the systemic transformation called for in the Feminist Blueprint.

8. The Gender Just Climate Solutions Scale Fund

Led by WEDO, Women Engage for a Common Future (WECF), Women's Environmental Programme (WEP), FEMNET and members of the Women and Gender Constituency (WGC)

The Gender Just Climate Solutions Scale Fund will serve as a Women's Rights Organization and Groups-led pooled resource re-grant collective to support the scaling, replication and ambition of gender-just climate solutions globally.

Gender-just climate solutions imply a range of activities whose aim is to address climate change mitigation, adaptation, loss and damage or overall resilience, while also ensuring in its process and impact, the work supports the systemic redistribution of power, opportunities and access for people of all genders, ensuring in particular that activities do not reinforce harmful gendered norms. For example, projects that engage women as beneficiaries in relation to agricultural management but do not address women's legal rights / access to and ownership of land.

Organizations interested in joining any of these collective commitments should reach out to Priyanka Teeluck, Thematic Lead for the Feminist Action for Climate Justice action coalition at priyanka.teeluck@unwomen.org

