

The Shared Agenda Advocacy Accelerator

a multisectoral partnership calling for US\$500 million in new money by 2026 to prevent gender-based violence against women, adolescent girls and young women in all their diversity in low and middle-income countries.



ACTION 2: SCALE UP IMPLEMENTATION AND FINANCING OF EVIDENCE-DRIVEN PREVENTION STRATEGIES BY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR INSTITUTIONS AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS TO DRIVE DOWN PREVALENCE OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, ADOLESCENT GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN IN ALL THEIR DIVERSITY INCLUDING IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS. In so doing, increase by 50% the number of countries that include one or more evidence-driven prevention strategies on gender-based violence against women and girls in national policies by 2026.

PREVENTION STRATEGIES/NORMS

Adapt and scale up coordinated and cross-sectoral implementation of context-specific and evidence-driven strategies that address social and gender norms including harmful masculinities to end all forms of gender-based violence (including harmful practices) against women and girls in all their diversity.

LAWS AND POLICIES

Adopt and implement policies and legislation that aims to shift inequitable social and gender norms and to address gender inequalities which are the root causes of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity.

FINANCING

Increase domestic, ODA, private and philanthropic financing for scale up of practitioner-led and evidence-driven strategies to prevent all forms of gender-based violence against all women and girls.

EDUCATION

Work with the education sector to prevent gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity by ensuring that schools and educational institutions are safe for all girls, adolescents and young women, and implement evidence-driven prevention strategies that promote gender equality, challenge gender stereotypes and foster equitable norms, attitudes and beliefs from a young age, including through gender-sensitive curricula and comprehensive sexuality education.

WHAT

The Shared Agenda Advocacy Accelerator (the Accelerator) is a multisectoral partnership calling for increased direct investment in effective evidence-based and practice-informed programs and policies by private donors, governments, bilaterals and multilaterals by **\$500 million of new money by 2026 in low and middle-income countries, in order to prevent gender-based violence against women, adolescent girls and young women in all their diversity.**

OBJECTIVES:

The Accelerator will focus its work in service of the following:

- Provide capacity support for the field to serve as advocates for this commitment;
- Prioritizing violence prevention within the Sustainable Development Goals agenda across all goals;
- Investing in and supporting the work of women's organizations and movements working on violence prevention, through core, long term and flexible funding;
- Implementing a holistic and mutually reinforcing set of evidence-based and practice-informed programs and policies that are grounded in local realities, as outlined in the RESPECT framework;
- Funding research priorities and gaps as outlined in the Global Shared Research Agenda (<https://www.preventvawg.org/agendas/draft-research-agenda>); and
- Connecting resources and coordinating across fields to address intersecting forms of discrimination women face based on multiple layers of identity.

IMPACT:

The expected impact will be twofold:

- **More and better money spent:** More and better" resourcing is a core ask for women's rights and feminist movements. "More" includes new funders directly supporting violence prevention programs and current funders investing on a substantially larger scale. "Better" includes resourcing in forms that are accessible to women's rights organizations and movements and fund movements' priorities, including through core and multi-year support. "Better" also means that funding is going to evidence-based and practice-informed policies and programs we know prevent violence.
- **Advocacy coordinator:** The Accelerator will serve as the advocacy coordinator and hub for other initiatives seeking to end and prevent GBV.

WHY

There are many organizations working toward prevention and ending of gender-based violence, but aren't always able to coordinate with each other. Streamlining advocacy, organizing targets, asks and messaging can significantly increase impact by building on and leveraging the work of others rather than duplicating efforts. **This initiative will serve as an accelerator for advocacy by ensuring that organizations speak with a unified voice.**

HOW

You can join this collective commitment by making one of 3 levels of commitment below:

ENDORSERS - These organizations "sign on" and are listed on the website (preventvawg.org) and other materials to demonstrate widespread support for the Shared Advocacy Agenda goals. They may also join advocacy efforts, trainings and learning events as relevant.

STRATEGIC LEADERS - These are committed partners who contribute to the work of the Shared Advocacy Agenda. They support in advocacy and/or communications and provide input on the strategy and tactics of the Shared Advocacy Agenda Initiative through quarterly update calls and an annual meeting to review broad strategy.

DONORS - All financial supporters of the Shared Advocacy Agenda Initiative's goals are recognized for their contributions. The Initiative solicits funding from private and public funders (including women's funds), the private sector, governments and multilaterals.

EXPERT STEERING COMMITTEE

This commitment has been collaboratively informed by an expert steering committee:

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Association Congolaise Pour Les Droits Et La Santé
Centre De Recherche Agro-Ecologique- Crae Rdc
Cooperation D'aide Humanitaire
Female Students Network Trust
Foundation For Male Engagement Uganda (Fome)
Girls Education Mission International

OUTRIGHT ACTION INTERNATIONAL

Sima Community Based Organisation
Usikimye Kenya
World Future Active
Raising Voices
Sexual Violence Research Initiative
Center for Domestic Violence Prevention
Global Women's Institute—George Washington University
Prevention Collaborative
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GOVERNMENT

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