

YOUNGO WOMEN AND GENDER SUBMISSION ON THE GENDER ACTION PLAN

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Women from all around the world are facing so many hardships and struggle with inequality in everyday life. In terms of employment, leadership, and representation at high level negotiations. This is especially in developing countries and rural areas.. Women have a unique knowledge of sustainable use of resources and play an important role in providing livelihoods to their families. They have to bring water, food, fuels and all other livelihood assets for their families. In addition, we know that those living below the poverty line are the ones facing the worst impacts of Climate Change, this makes them key victims of climate change and they suffer 80% of the negative impacts that comes with it. This therefore means that women must therefore play an integral part In mostly adaptation for those in the developing countries and as well mitigation. This includes giving them alternative ways of food production, access to water, energy among others. Thus we demand sufficient gender sensitive financing of disaster risk management, loss and damage, and climate change adaptation measures.

Topic	Proposed submission text
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure observer constituencies are being consulted with, especially the YOUNGO and Women and Gender Constituency - Commend the secretariat’s work in organising the gender workshops in the leadup to COP26, encourage further sessions to be organised - Encourage the secretariat to foster stronger collaboration with YOUNGO and other constituencies in its events in the lead up to COP27 - Regenerative care based economy to reduce the billions of dollars in unpaid care work typically done by ‘womyn’ - More attention to the gendered division of labour
IP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appreciate FWG’s attention on gender mainstreaming, encourage their gender FP to facilitate regular communication with YOUNGO and other constituencies
D3 & tech	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate WGC for another successful edition of the Gender Just Climate Solutions Awards, and encourage Paartie and the secretariat to further supporting the 7th edition of the award this year - On TEC and CTCN’s Joint Gender Roster, we encourage the secretariat to further consult with observer constituencies and to ensure that the roster will be updated regularly and actively used - Commend TEC’s progress on reaching gender balance in its events for the first time in 2021, thank their gender FPs but the progress is not enough, 15% of women TEC members - Encourage the secretariat to support initiatives led by women and girls in science and technology - Encourage the secretariat’s gender team to support CTCN and YOUNGO’s MENA Youth Innovation Lab as it aims to have a strong focus on gender - Appreciate CTCN’s attention on gender and the efforts by AB’s gender FP, also commend CTCN’s support in its joint project with YOUNGO - Youth Knowledge Exchange Program - where YOUNGO members serve as consultants at the CTCN secretariat, including a gender consultant - encourage the program to keep going and the secretariat to provide more support - Congratulate YOUNGO and other constituencies, in securing their first seat at a constituted body - CTCN AB - Encourage the secretariat to engage the WGC in its mid-term review of GAP - Ensure there is institutional capacity to secure and protect women and girls in science and technology. Eg some countries may not have sexual harrassment or ageism legally recognised as discrimination under human rights institutions for ‘equal opportunity’

Gender NFPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage the secretariat to facilitate regular communication among FPs - Clearly define their role, empower them in national decision-making - Ensure proper capacity building for FPs. ie don't have some old lady or man who does not understand younger generations fluidity of gender and gender roles
NDCs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure gender is being mentioned and monitored in NDCs, and urge the ones who have not yet done so to integrate gender consideration in their policy work and implementation projects. - Ensure early childhood care for children is included in policy and implementation projects. - For gender to be successfully mainstreamed there needs to be more conversations at the national level that bring together all relevant ministries at the beginning of the process (e.g. gender, environment, finance).