

Newsletter July 2013



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1. GADN News

Meeting with DFID Gender Team

In June GADN was invited, along with other UK gender networks, to meet with the Department for International Development (DFID) gender team. The agenda included an update and feedback on DFID's strategic vision for girls and women, and discussion on the next steps in the post-2015 process after the release of the High Level Panel report. We look forward to meeting and working with the team again in the future.

Next member's meeting

The next GADN member's meeting is taking place on 11th July, 10-12pm. We will be looking at the next steps in our [Development Alternatives](#) project, and also at plans for CSW next year.

You can download an agenda from our [website](#). Please note this meeting is open to GADN members, but if you are interested in attending and to find out more about joining, please do contact us.

New members

In June we were delighted to welcome [International Planned Parenthood Federation](#) and the [UK Consortium on AIDs and International Development](#) to the network, and we look forward to working with them in the future.

New membership application process

Following a decision by the Board of Trustees in April, GADN has now implemented a new application process for organisations who wish to join the network. Members of GADN must support our vision and mission, and we reserve the right to refuse membership or terminate membership without notice if the Trustees do not agree that the organisation's values support those of GADN.

To find out more about joining please fill in this [form online](#), or contact Francesca – Francesca.rhodes@gadnetwork.org.uk

2. GADN Members' Update

- This week Cherie Blair of the **Cherie Blair Foundation for Women** is in Tanzania to launch a new project which combines enterprise development and mobile value added services. Through their local partner, the foundation plan to provide 140 women with enterprise development services such as business registration, incubation and access to capital, so that they can run financially-viable, value added, formal and self-sustainable businesses.

Alongside this, the foundation has launched an award-winning Business Women mobile service, which delivers essential business tips and management information, specifically tailored for women entrepreneurs, directly to their mobile phones. The use of the service will be integrated into the business training, and will also be available for anyone in the country to subscribe to. The project aims for 75,000 users to benefit in Tanzania.

They would be very grateful if you could help spread the word about this, below is a suggested tweet:

@CherieBlairFndn launches project combining enterprise development and mobile tech to support women entrepreneurs in Tanzania <http://ow.ly/mxoe9>

For more information please see <http://www.cherieblairfoundation.org/business-women-in-tanzania/> or contact Katharine Tengtio, Communications and Fundraising Officer, kt@cherieblairfoundation.org.

- **Oxfam** have this month launched a new report '[The Politics of our Lives: The Raising her voice in Pakistan Experience](#)'. The report paints a vivid picture of the achievements of 1,500 'home grown' women activists and their '50 Women Leaders Groups' (WLGs) who, with support from the Aurat Foundation and Oxfam GB, have successfully challenged the boundaries excluding women from decision making and leadership. The paper celebrates the practical and strategic gains made, examines the processes which have supported these gains and offers learning points for practitioners and policy makers seeking to bring about long lasting and positive change for women.

The RHV Pakistan programme is just one of 17 country programmes where Oxfam has been working to promote the rights and capacity of poor women to engage effectively in governance at all levels. Launched in 2008, over the last five years, over 1 million women and men have benefited. To find out more about the work of RHV around the world visit <http://raisinghervoice.ning.com/>.

Please see our website for GADN's work on women's [political empowerment](#).

- **Womankind Worldwide** wrote [an article in the Guardian](#) this month calling for gender equality funds to be directed towards women's rights organisations in developing countries. This followed the International Development Select Committee's recommendation that DFID

look at channelling money through specific women's funds. Womankind have previously published a '[Leaders for Change](#)' briefing which makes several recommendations for improving support to women's rights organisations, including the provision of long-term core funding, mechanisms to ensure funding reaches grassroots organisations, simplifying grants application, and monitoring and reporting processes to make them more accessible.

- **Marston Consulting and Resonate Consulting** are running 'Excelling as Women in the Third Sector', an evening workshop exploring your leadership potential (see [flyer here](#)). The workshop aims to offer an opportunity to women working in the not for profit sector to explore their leadership potential and share their experiences with like-minded peers. The workshop will be held in London on **16th July** at the promotional price of £85.

For more information please contact ama@marstonconsulting.org or see www.marstonconsulting.org.

3. DFID/EU/UN

- [Nutrition for Growth: Beating hunger through Business and Science](#)
20th June 2013, DFID
- [Driving African Development through Gender Equality and the Development of Women](#)
3rd June 2013, UNDP
- [Discrimination generated by the intersection of Gender and Disability](#)
May 2013, EU/EP
- [Syria: In Search of Refuge](#)
20th June 2013, EP
- [Greening: Now is the time for the Arab world to invest in Women](#)
25th June 2013, DIFD
- [UN Women launches a global call for transformative agenda to make gender equality a reality](#)
26th June 2013, UN Women
- [Security Council strengthens efforts to end impunity for conflict related sexual violence](#)
24th June 2013, UN

4. Development News

- [Toilets provide dignity for Nepal's disabled](#)
June 2013, IRIN
- [The developing world's missing women workers](#)
June 2013, Livemint
- [Women are critical for the country development](#)
June 2013, Ghana Web
- [Why Gender Equality must be at the centre of International Development](#)
June 2013, New Statesman
- [Maternal and Paediatric tuberculosis is still overlooked](#)
June 2013, IRIN
- [Equity takes centre stage](#)
June 2013, IRIN
- [The Unsanitary Truth about Gender Inequality in India](#)
June 2013, Guardian
- [Stiffer Penalties: Formal Justice to curb rape in Somaliland](#)
June 2013, IRIN
- [The Pillars and Possibilities of a Global Plan to Address HIV in Women and their Children](#)
June 2013, RH Reality Check
- [Why ignoring Gender could harm your programme](#)
June 2013, Guardian
- [Putting Women on the Disaster Risk Reduction Agenda](#)
June 2013, IRIN
- [The Worlds Next Development Framework: Empowering Girls and Women is necessary for Peace, Prosperity and Equality](#)
June 2013, Reuters
- [Kachin conflict boosts trafficking](#)
June 2013, IRIN
- [UK will not tackle gender violence without changing attitudes](#)
June 2013, Guardian
- [Space age technology to reduce maternal deaths](#)
June 2013, IRIN

- [Bleak future for Sri-Lanka's female headed households](#)

June 2013, IRIN

5. Blogs

Please note that the views expressed in the following blogs are not necessarily endorsed by GADN or its member organisations.

- [Shaming the Shameless: The politics of sexual assault in Post-Mubarak's Egypt exposed](#)

Mariz Tadros, IDS, 28th June 2013

- [Tanzania's women food producers: Who are they?](#)

Mwanahamisi Salimu, 19th June 2013

- [The Least Developed Countries, equity and a brave new world](#)

IIED, 2nd July 2013

- [Editorial N°4: United Nations Security Council Resolution 2106: Do We Need a Sixth Resolution?](#)

Lisa Eriksson, 25th June 2013

- [<1000 days to the MDGs: Data Dashboards to Monitor the last Stretch](#)

Johan Mistiaen, 3rd July 2013

- [Veeru Kohli – the ultimate outsider](#)

Jacky Repila, Oxfam, 4th July

6. Publications & Resources

- [Women, Sexuality and the Political Power of Pleasure \[BOOK\]](#)

June 2013, Susie Jolly, Andrea Cornwall and Kate Hawkins

- [The Politics of our Lives: The Raising her voice in Pakistan Experience](#)

July 2013, Oxfam

- [Global and Regional estimates of violence against women](#)

2013, WHO

- [Global prevalence of intimate partner homicide: A systematic review](#)

June 2013, The Lancet

7. Campaigns/Calls for Papers

- **UN Women** are seeking a qualified firm/ institution or team of individual consultants to design and conduct a final, end-of-programme evaluation of the “Action to Promote the Legal Empowerment of Women in the Context of HIV and AIDS”, a 30 month programme supported by the Canadian International Agency (CIDA), and implemented in nine, sub-Saharan African countries. The overall purpose of the Final Evaluation is to assess programmatic progress and challenges at the outcome level, with measurement of the output level achievements and gaps, including to what extent these achievements (or non-achievements) affected outcome-level progress.

The deadline is 5th July 2013 11.59 (EST). For more information please see <http://www.unwomen.org/wpcontent/uploads/2010/12/RFPLegalEmpowermentOfWomenContextOfHIVaids-201306.pdf>

8. Events and Conferences

- **KODE** have announced the launch of a new 8 week course, ‘**Child Protection in Development Practise**’. The course is targeted specifically at development professionals, and aims to empower participants to increase their awareness and understanding of the nature and prevalence of violence against children and the relationship between our attitudes to children and the violence perpetuated against them. The distance learning course comprises a number of modules covering a variety of topics. KODE are also running an 8 week course entitled, ‘Understanding and addressing Gender based violence in development contexts’. Following a similar format, the course aims to empower participants to increase their awareness of the key issues and outcomes of GBV in a development and organisational context.

For more information about either of these courses please contact kode@kimmagedsc.ie or visit their website www.kodeonline.com

- To mark **Malala Day** on the **12th July**, which will see Malala give her first official televised public keynote address to the United Nations since her attack; **Plan** are hosting a panel discussion on youth, education and the post-Millennium Development Goal framework. This will be followed by a live feed of Malala's New York address and the UK premiere of a short film about girls' education in Pakistan. The event will be held at the Queen Elizabeth Hall Front Room at the Southbank Centre.

To find out more information or to join the event contact campaigns.ukno@plan-uk.org

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- **Stand up for Women** are hosting a Comedy evening and champagne reception in Support of Women's Aid, Rape Crisis and No More Page 3. This is an opportunity to see an Award winning line up of comedians including Andi Osho, Lucy Porter, Josie Long as well as many others. Held on **July 7th** at Garrick theatre, tickets start from £25.
- **Centre for Community Development** are holding an international conference and workshop entitled, 'Challenges and prospects in uplifting war widows in Sri Lanka'. The conference is an opportunity to share the experiences of activists assisting women affected by the war in Sri Lanka's north-east women with others involved in similar activities in African, Middle-Eastern and Asian countries that have faced or are facing war and its consequences. The conference will also be a forum for women to express concerns and plan future actions in the light of knowledge and experiences of others.

The proceedings will be in English and Tamil with interpretations of the presentations in Tamil/English, as is necessary. Those who wish to participate in the conference are requested to complete the [Registration Form](#) and return it to the Conference Coordinator,

Centre for Community Development, Thulasi, Bridge End Close, Kingston upon Thames KT2 6PZ, before 10 July 2013. For registration queries you may email: admin.ccd@sangu.org

9. Job Openings

- [Social Development Officer \(Gender\)/ Asian Development Bank/ Dhaka](#)
9th July 2013
- [Head of Global Partnerships Support- Maternity Cover/ Plan International/ Surrey](#)
1st August 2013
- [International Advocacy Advisor/ Christian Aid/ London](#)
12th July 2013
- [Communications Manager/ Girl Hub/ London](#)
25th July 2013
- [Senior Evaluation Officer/ International Planned Parenthood Federation/ London](#)
25th July 2013
- [Partnerships and Sustainable Networks Advisor/ International Planned Parenthood Federation/ London or Nairobi or New Delhi](#)
25th July 2013
- [Head of food assistance and nutrition unit/ Plan International/ Europe](#)
12th July 2013
- [Call for Tender by CARE Norway, Final Evaluation of the Great Lakes Advocacy Initiative \(2009-2013\)](#)
31st July 2013
- [Various positions with The Global Fund for Women](#) in San Francisco

10. Podcasts/Videos

- [Seeking Safety: Stepping Stones in Malawi](#)
June 2013, Salamander Trust
- [Violence against Women- It's a men's issue](#)

May 2013, Jackson Katz TED

- [We Should all be Feminists](#)

April 2013, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie TED

- [Veru Kohli on the campaign trail](#)

July 2013, Oxfam

- [Zero Tolerance Against Gender Based Violence](#)

July 2013, CARE

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