



PICTURE: The Ganta Concerned Women's Group has organized a pilot project to teach women in Tonglewin village how to read and do basic mathematics. Liberia's electricity system was destroyed in the war, and power has not yet been restored. Classes are conducted in semi-darkness twice a week. Photo posted by **UN**.

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1. GADN News

UN Women's Agency Working Group – Success!

Ahead of the G8 summit, which starts tomorrow (25th June), GADN's Working Group on the UN Women's Agency wrote to Prime Minister David Cameron to ask him to use his influence with the G8 and other UN member states to press for an ambitious agenda for the Women's Agency. The working group are troubled by the lack of consensus on the executive board and believe the creation of the Agency is a momentous opportunity to change the course of women's lives globally, at a time when they bear the brunt of disease and poverty. Because of the working group's letter, David Cameron has promised to raise the Women's Agency at the G8.

May Members Meeting

At the end of May, GADN held a joint network meeting with the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) Network. The meeting was well attended and presentations were given by Jessica Woodroffe (GADN), Leo Bryant (UK SRHR Network, Marie Stopes International) Mette Kjaerby (APPG for Population, Development and Reproductive Health), Karen Newman (Population and Sustainability Network) and zohra moosa (ActionAid UK). The speakers looked at family planning under the new coalition government, the changing landscape within parliament, the links between sexual and reproductive health and climate change, and SRHR from a feminist perspective. Plans were formulated for collaboration between the two networks and GADN looks forward to working closely with the SRHR Network over the coming months.

Save the date - next Members Meeting

The next members meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th September on Violence Against Women. More details will be published nearer the time, but for now please save the date.

2. GADN Members' Update

- **Tearfund:** Restored is a new alliance that brings together Christians from around the world in a common goal to end violence against women and will be launching on June 26th at the **Bringing Hope Conference**. Tearfund will 'incubate' Restored over the next three years, and host the new alliance as it builds up its own capacity and identity. For more information please visit the **Restored** website or contact Mandy Marshall at: Amanda.Marshall@tearfund.org
- **Oxfam** and **Women for Women International** will be hosting the event 'CONGO: Stronger Women, Stronger Nations' on **Tuesday 6th July**, from 7-9pm, at Amnesty International (17-25 New Inn Yard, London EC2A 3EA). The event will include an expert panel discussing the impact of the Congo conflict on women and the vital role that women are playing in

building a stable country. Tickets are £3 unwaged, £5 waged. To register for a place, please contact khughes@womenforwomen.org with "CONGO: Stronger Women, Stronger Nations" as the email subject. Payment can be made at the door.

- **CAWN**, along with the Heinrich Boll Foundation, has published a report titled '**Femicide: A Global Phenomenon. From Lima to Madrid**'. The report seeks to provide an up-to-date regional perspective on the situation of femicide in Latin America. Women activists, human rights defenders, academics and civil society representatives from Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Chile, Peru, Bolivia and Colombia have written these articles to share their struggles in tackling femicide in their countries. It is currently only available in Spanish.
- **Oxfam** has released a new report titled '**The Global Economic Crisis and Developing Countries**'. The report reveals the depth and complexity of the impacts of the global economic crisis, and the vulnerabilities and resilience of poor people and countries worldwide.
- **Plan UK** has released a publication called '**Too Often in Silence**' on corporal punishment, sexual violence and bullying in relation to school-based violence in West and Central Africa.
- **One World Action British 10K London Run**: The ASICS British 10K on **Sunday 11th July**, attracts runners from all over the world, including Olympic champions, charity fun runners and fitness enthusiasts. On the day, 26,000 people are set to take part, running past many of London world famous historic landmarks on their way to the finish line at Whitehall. For more information, please visit **One World Action**.
- **Women for Women International Congo Run**: Run for Congo Women is a grassroots movement benefiting Women for Women International's Congo program. The first official Run for Congo Women UK will be taking place at the **Regents Park Race on Saturday 3rd July**. For more information, please visit **Women for Women International**.

Member Vacancies:

- **Plan UK** is recruiting a Gender Equality Intern to support the Gender Equality Manager in her work to mainstream girls' rights and gender equality within programmes, institutionally and within their advocacy work. The post will last for 6 months and the intern will assist with research and writing in close collaboration with programme staff as well as general administrative support.
Closing date: June 25 2010 at 10am
- **Oxfam** is recruiting two Regional Programme Managers, one for **Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States** and one for the **Middle East**. Both roles are based in Oxford with substantial international travel. These two senior management positions are responsible for driving programmatic strategy and quality across the Middle East, Eastern Europe and the Common Wealth of Independent States. Through strong leadership, routed in an in-depth understanding of programmes, these posts are accountable for enabling the Country Directors to deliver country programmes of exceptional value.
Closing date: July 14' 2010

- **Womankind Worldwide** is looking for a Direct Marketing and Supporter Relations Manager to drive through the next stage of growth in direct marketing. This is an exciting role and the successful candidate will be responsible for recruiting, retaining and developing individual donors to maximise income for Womankind. For more information please visit **Womankind Worldwide**.

Closing Date: July 16 2010 at 12pm

- **Womankind Worldwide** is seeking a UK Policy Volunteer to assist the UK Policy Manager with the delivery of the UK Education Programme. The main task will be to co-ordinate the event management for 'Girls Staying Safe?' in November 2010.

GEAR (UN Gender Equality Architecture Reform) Campaign News

- **Global Gear Campaign Website Launched** (7 June 2010)
- **Debate About The Head of the New UN Women's Agency in The Guardian** (2 June 2010)
- **Governments Meet to Negotiate Resolution on UN GEA** (26 May 2010)
- **Second Version of the Draft SWC Resolution Available** (25 May 2010)

3. DFID/EU/UN

- **2010 Budget**
HM Treasury, 22 June 2010
- **Aid budget to be refocused to deliver better results**
DFID, 16 June 2010
- **The Coalition: Our Programme for Government**
Programme for Government, 10 June 2010
- **EU Countries 'Must Honour Aid Promises'**
DFID, 14 June 2010
- **Maternal Health Tops Agenda in Washington**
DFID, 7 June 2010
- **UK Gives £19 million for Gazan Refugees**
DFID, 6 June 2010
- **The UKAid Transparency Guarantee**
DFID, 3 June 2010
- **Secretary of State for International Development Andrew Mitchell's Speech to Oxfam and Policy Exchange at the Royal Society in London**
DFID, 3 June 2010
- **EU Aid Watch Report**
Concord, 10 June 2010
- **EU Missing International Poverty Goals, Warn NGOs**
Concord, 17 June 2010
- **Somali Women Concerned about High Levels of Rights Violations**
UNIFEM, 9 June 2010
- **'No One Size Fits All' Approach to Development**
UN News Centre, 16 June 2010

- **Timor-Leste Women call for Gender Parity in the Police**
UNIFEM, 1 June 2010
- **Somali Women Concerned About High Level of Rights Violations**
UNIFEM, 9 June 2010
- **National Action Plan on SCR 1325 Launched in the Sierra Leone**
UNIFEM, 8 June 2010
- **Uganda: UNDP launches Economics and Gender curriculum**
UNDP, 11 June 2010
- **Displaced women in Somaliland put their life back on track with 75US\$**
UNDP, 15 June 2010
- **Helen Clark, UNDP Administrator, Speech on “An effective UN in a more secure and just world”**
UN-UK FORUM, 12 June 2010

4. Development News

- **Empowering the mothers of Africa**
The Guardian, June 24 2010
- **First Female PM for Australia**
The Guardian, June 24 2010
- **Botswana: Ministering to the Poor**
Botswana Gazette, June 23 2010
- **United States: An Opportunity for Obama to Take a Stand on Women’s Rights**
Centre for American Progress, June 23 2010
- **Zimbabwe: A Chance for Women’s Voices to be Heard?**
IPS News, June 22 2010
- **The Philippines: Gender and the MDGs**
Manila Bulletin, June 22 2010
- **Argentina: Argentine Province a Bastion of Opposition to Gender Quotas**
IPS News, June 21 2010
- **UN: Corporate Chief Executives Endorse UN-Led Gender Equality Initiative**
UN News Centre, June 21 2010
- **Burma: Public Education a Drain on Family Incomes**
IPS News, June 21 2010
- **United States: Domestic Workers Unite for Their Rights**
IPS News, June 21 2010
- **Guatemala: Giving Women Entrepreneurs a Boost**
IPS News, June 21 2010
- **UK: Report Questions Focus of DFID Spending on Education**
The Guardian, June 18 2010
- **Tanzania: Call to Strengthen Gender Perspective in Economic Development Programmes**
The Citizen Daily, June 17 2010
- **Africa: Continent and the World Cup – Gender Discrimination Lingers**
AllAfrica.com, June 17 2010
- **Global: UNFPA Executive Director Honoured for a Lifetime of Delivering for Women**
UNFPA News, June 9 2010
- **Iran: The Brutal Crackdown Only Makes Iran’s Women Stronger**

The Guardian, June 8 2010

- **Senegal: Door to Political Office Opens for Senegalese Women**
IPS News, June 7 2010

5. Publications & Resources

- **Save the Children: Calls to the G8 and G20 in 2010**
1 June 2010
- **Overseas Development Institute: 'Coping and Change in Protracted Conflict: The Role of Community Groups and Local Institutions in Addressing Food Insecurity and Threats to Livelihoods'**
1 May 2010
- **Human Rights Watch: 'They Took me and Told Me Nothing: Female Genital Mutilation in Iraqi Kurdistan'**
16 June 2010
- **The Nordic Africa Institute: The Complexity of Violence: A critical analysis of sexual violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**
24 June 2010
- **SADC Gender Protocol: Kofi Annan, Women's Empowerment Key to Continent's Progress**
25 May 2010
- **International Centre for Research on Women: Bridging the Gender Divide**
2010

6. Campaigns/Calls for Papers

- **Calls for Consultation: Focused Consultation on a Strategic Action Plan for the Sustainability of Violence Against Women and Girls Third Sector**
This Strategic Action Plan has been developed by Government Equalities Office (GEO) with the support of other government departments to look at what the Government could be doing to support the sustainability of the violence against women and girls (VAWG) third sector. We have consulted with government departments involved and are keen to gather views from the VAWG third sector, commissioners and others with an interest in the work. The Women's National Commission, which successfully raised the need to address the sustainability of the third sector with government, has agreed to manage this consultation on GEO's behalf. The consultation period will run from **Thursday 01 April to Friday 23 July 2010**.
- **Campaign: Gear Campaign- Take Action Now!**
At this very moment, Governments are negotiating about the creation of a new strong United Nations agency for women's rights. We must act now to ensure that this new agency will be created without delay and that it can really make a difference to women's lives all around the world! The Gear campaign has drafted a letter for organizations and individuals to send to the Foreign Minister and UN representatives of their countries. Visit the **Gear Campaign** website for more details.
- **Campaign: Embrace Dignity Campaign- Stop Sex Trafficking and Prostitution of Women!**
2010 WORLD CUP

Large sporting events are known to increase levels of sex trafficking of women and girls and, from research conducted with our partners, we believe this year's World Cup will have similar results. The United Nations estimates that some 80% of persons are trafficked for sexual exploitation and that the majority are women and children. South Africa is a destination for trafficking. One trafficked woman or child is one too many. South Africa's constitution promotes human rights, human dignity, gender equality, women's rights and children's rights. Yet social, economic, racial and gender inequality persists. High levels of poverty among women exist in South Africa and neighbouring countries, making them vulnerable to sex trafficking and sexual exploitation.

The Embrace Dignity Campaign is a South African-based project of the Coalition Against Trafficking in Women - South Africa. The Embrace Dignity Signature Campaign has drawn up a petition to raise public awareness and invite all South Africans and our visitors to sign this petition and return it to us. We will hand the petitions to Parliament for action during the World Cup and when they consider the bills on trafficking and adult prostitution. Visit the **Embrace Dignity Campaign** website to sign the petition.

- **Call for Translations: Structures of Violence: Defining the Intersections of Militarism and Violence Against Women**

This year marks the 20th **16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Campaign**, and with this important landmark, the Centre for Women's Global Leadership (CWGL) is considering new ways to utilize the campaign for transformative change. Year after year, new partners join the 16 Days Campaign to bring local, national, and global attention to the various forms of violence that women face. The attention that gender-based violence has received in international forums is a testimony to the powerful actions of women's rights activists around the world. Yet, despite this increased awareness, women continue to experience violations in alarming numbers and new forms of violence are emerging. We, as defenders of women's human rights, have a responsibility to look more closely at the structures in place that permit gender-based violence to exist and persist. After much consultation with activists, organizations, and experts from around the world, militarism has emerged as one of the key structures that perpetuate violence.

The **Theme Announcement** is available in English, Spanish, and French, however CWGL relies on volunteers to help with additional translation of campaign materials each year. If you are willing to assist with translating the Theme Announcement, please contact 16days@cwgl.rutgers.edu. Your assistance in making the 16 Days Campaign more accessible to groups around the world is greatly appreciated.

- **Call for Proposals: 2010 Funding for Global Programs to Prevent & Respond to Gender-Based Violence--Refugee and Conflict Populations**

FY 2010 Funding Opportunity Announcement for global programs to better prevent and respond to gender-based violence (GBV) in refugee and conflict-affected populations, focusing on capacity-building, research and assessments to strengthen GBV prevention and response interventions among PRM populations of concern. Proposals should aim to strengthen the broader international community's response rather than building the capacity of a specific or single organization. Proposals for GBV prevention and response programs in specific locations should be submitted through the appropriate regional

and/or country specific funding opportunity announcement rather than through this announcement.

Applicants must clearly show how their planned projects will benefit PRM's primary target populations. The PRM is seeking to support:

a) Global projects which seek to build the capacity of NGO and implementing partners to prevent and respond to GBV, including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA). PRM will consider proposals that provide assistance to refugees, returnees, and internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Colombia and the North Caucasus. In all other regions, at least 50% of beneficiaries should be refugees or refugee returnees.

b) Projects involving research, assessments, or formative evaluations that could inform and strengthen PRM policy and programming for GBV prevention and response among PRM populations of concern per the mandates of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). PRM will prioritize proposals that focus largely on refugees and refugee returnees.

In FY2010, PRM anticipates providing \$1.4 million for global programs to prevent and respond to GBV in refugee and conflict-affected populations, including research and assessments to strengthen GBV prevention and response interventions among populations of concern. Individual proposals may not exceed \$300,000 in PRM-requested funding. As stated in the FY 2010 General PRM NGO Guidelines, PRM looks favourably on cost-sharing efforts and seeks to support projects with a diverse donor base and/or resources from the submitting organization.

Please visit the website for more information. The closing date for applications is **July 1st 2010**.

- **Call for Papers: Gender, Sustainability and Climate Change**

The **Linköping** symposium is part of the conference **Equality, Growth and Sustainability- Do They Mix?** This conference is a forum for examining if and how questions of equality, growth and sustainability can be reconciled in organisations and implemented in general practice.

15 years after the Beijing Platform for Action this conference will provide academics, policy makers and practitioners with an international and interdisciplinary forum for exchange. The purpose is to explore and disseminate knowledge and experiences on gender equality, gender mainstreaming, diversity management, growth and sustainability, inclusion and equal opportunities. The ambition is to discuss these key concepts and issues from an intersectional perspective, and in theory and practice, in order to rethink and find new ways to move on. For more information, please visit the **Linköping University** website. Deadline for abstract submission is **August 1st 2010**.

7. Events and Conferences

- **Screening of 'Pray the Devil Back to Hell', followed by a discussion on the film, Liberia, women and peaceful activism chaired by Chitra Nagarajan:** 27 June 2010, 7.30pm, The Tricycle Theatre, 269 Kilburn High Road, London, NW6 7JR.
- **Join Labour Campaign for International Development as they host Douglas Alexander MP:** 29 June 2010, 7.30-8.30pm, Grand Committee Room, Houses of Parliament. To attend please reply to tim@lcid.org.uk.
- **Screening of 'India's Forgotten Women', followed by a panel discussion chaired by Dharshini David:** 1 July 2010, 6.30pm, VUE West End, Leicester Square, 3 Cranbourn Street, London WC2H 7AL.
- **WRC Free Funding Seminar for Women's Organisations:** 1 July 2010, 9:30am-2pm, Stratford Advice Arcade, E15 1HP.
- **Capita Conference on Tackling Sexual Violence:** 12 July 2010, London.
- **UK Feminista Summer School:** 31 July – 1 Aug, Amnesty International Human Rights Action Centre, 17-25 New Inn Yard, London

8. Job Openings

- **Gender Legal Specialist for SEPI/UNIFEM/Dili, Timor-Leste**
Closing date: 25 June 2010
- **Regional Director for Europe and CIS/Global Fund for Women/San Francisco**
Closing date: 27 June 2010
- **Development and Outreach Coordinator/Latin American Women's Rights Service (LAWRS)/London**
Closing date: 28 June 2010
- **Gender, Agriculture and Rural Development Consultant/ICRW (International Centre for Research on Women/Nairobi)**
Closing date: 30 June 2010 (or until filled)
- **Campaign Coordinator – Demand Dignity/Amnesty International/London**
Closing date: 1 July 2010
- **Administrative Assistant/ EAW (End Violence Against Women)/London**
Closing date: 1 July 2010
- **Prevention Manager/EAW (End Violence Against Women)/London**
Closing date: 1 July 2010
- **Program Officer, Humanitarian Unit/OXFAM Canada/Ottawa**
Closing date: 2 July 2010
- **Grant Writer/Global Fund for Women/San Francisco**
Closing date: 5 July 2010
- **Director of Major Gifts/Global Fund for Women/San Francisco**
Closing date: 5 July 2010

- **Program Officer: Women's Rights East Africa/Ford Foundation/Nairobi, Kenya**
Closing date: 6 July 2010
- **Evaluation Partner/Consultancy/ICRW (International Centre for Research on Women)/Nairobi**
Closing date: 8 July 2010
- **Programmes Manager/ Women and Children First / London**
Closing date: 9 July 2010
- **Fall 2010 Global Development Policy Internship/Women Thrive Worldwide/Washington D.C.**
Closing date: 26 July 2010
- **Development Officer/Women's Funding Network/San Francisco**
Open until filled
- **Temporary Data Manager/Research Assistant/ICRW (International Centre for Research on Women)/Washington D.C.**
Open until filled
- **Gender and Population Specialist/ICRW (International Centre for Research on Women)/Washington D.C.**
Open until filled
- **Director, Population and Reproductive Health/ICRW (International Centre for Research on Women)/Washington D.C.**
Open until filled
- **Associate Program Manager – HIV/PSI (Population Services International)/Washington D.C.**
Open until filled
- **Senior Gender Based Violence Coordinator/ International Rescue Committee/ Liberia**
Open until filled

9. Podcasts/Videocasts

- **Videocast: Building Social Business: The New Kind Of Capitalism That Serves Humanity's Most Pressing Needs.** Speaker: Muhammad Yunus
May 2010, approx. 63 minutes
- **Podcast: The Plundered Planet:** Speaker: Professor Paul Collier.
June 2010, approx. 82 minutes
- **Videocast: Using Sport to Combat Sexual Violence**
June 2010, approx. 4 minutes
- **Videocast: Iran- Education For All**
June 2010, approx. 4 minutes

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