

**Project on Gender and Climate Change:
“Review, Analysis and Assessment of Research Relating to Gender and Climate Change”**

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is funding a study that aims to review, analyse and assess existing research relating to gender and climate change.

genanet / LIFE e.V., based in Berlin, Germany, is carrying out the study from August 2006 until April 2007.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

1. Conduct a review, analysis and assessment of relevant research in order to develop a comprehensive overview of data and knowledge relevant to gender aspects of climate change (mitigation and adaptation), including strategically important knowledge gaps. This will include research done under the heading of ‘gender and climate change’ as well as from disciplines and research fields that are not traditionally connected to thinking and policy-making on climate change and climate protection.
1. The review puts particular emphasis on: a) emissions and energy consumption patterns, disaggregated by gender, worldwide; and b) gender specific impacts in areas that are affected by climate change (e.g. water scarcity, diseases, weather extremes, disasters (mitigation, early warning, reconstruction), housing, health, food security), as well as assessing if and how women’s and men’s different perspectives and needs are taken into consideration.
2. Develop an analytical framework on gender and climate change, identifying in detail the system of factors (dependent and independent variables) and effects relevant to mitigation and adaptation: The framework will identify relevant theories relating to gender and environment; and will aim to categorize and prioritize sectoral and cross-sectoral issues that affect and are affected by gender aspects of climate change.
3. Consolidate contacts and networks with the research community by conducting expert interviews during the review process and making the review available to researchers and the international community dealing with climate change. This will include hosting a side event at COP12 / COP-MOP2 (Nairobi, November 2006) to present preliminary findings of the review and initiate discussions with researchers and policy-makers.
4. The final review report will be published in print and electronically for wide distribution among international organisations, governments, and stakeholder constituencies.

OUTREACH:

We will be contacting individuals and organisations working on gender and climate change and related issues, and welcome your forwarding relevant materials, information, links and contacts to us. Our goal is to include existing research (peer reviewed and grey literature) as well as information about ongoing and planned research projects.

PLEASE get in touch with us if you can contribute in these or other ways:

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