



**Mobilizing Women as Change Makers!
 Ensure Gender Equity in post-2012 regime**
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**Shortest history:
 women as change makers**

- 17th Century: Bisnoi Community India
- 1950s: Nakabara/Sanroku Women's Society Japan
- 1985: ELC workshops Women-Environment
- 1992: Rio – WEDO
- 1994: WECF = women in europe for a common future
- 1995: Beijing Platform for Action (Area K)
- 2000: MDGs
- 2002 a.b.: women try to enhance change in UNFCCC
- 2004: gendercc-women network for climate justice
- 2007: Global Gender Climate Alliance (GGCA)
- 2008: CAN-equity summit + diversity efforts to influence gender approach in UNFCCC.

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**WECF= network of > 100 organisations in
 40 countries (EECCA region+EU)
 Moving people for a world in balance**


Safe Chemicals for All	Safe Water and Sanitation for All	Safe Energy and Climate for All	Safe Food for All
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**CROSS-CUTTING:
 GENDER – POVERTY - RIGHTS**

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WECF + Gender

- Understanding gender aspects in our work: study/research/documenting, monitoring/evaluation.
- Capacity building and empowerment: enhancing women's capacities.
- Improving women's lives – projects with and for women and their families.



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Why gender and women's empowerment in CC?
 → different roles, rights and capacities

- Women and men's diverse roles as energy, land, water, biodiversity managers, consumers, care takers
- Women's and men's diverse physical features; their diverse roles in and access to education and (technical) training
- Women's and men's diverse decision-making powers
- Success stories of women in charge, organizing, change-makers.



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Gender – Energy/Climate Change



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Making linkages from local realities to national, regional and global podia

- Women in decision-making
- Respond to their E needs
- Access to sustainable energy
- Mobilize the change makers



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WOMEN'S VOICES: LOBBY AND ADVOCACY





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WECF Lobby Points at COP-14

A. Pro-poor financial mechanisms


- Sustainable development criteria as a basis for climate change financial mechanisms
- Reduce poverty by creating access to sustainable energy.
- Introduce energy-saving programmes for low income households.
- Let the polluter pay: emission trading scheme revenues for adaptation and mitigation programmes for local communities in developing countries.

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B. Mobilize the change makers:


- Ensure local women participation in the adaptation and CDM boards.
- Financial mechanisms better accessible for women.
- Train women and men as energy specialists.



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C. No Nuclear in CDM, JI and Technology Transfer.

- Full disclosure of direct and indirect subsidies to nuclear.
- Integration of all external costs in the prices of nuclear energy.



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- CC Mechanisms have to be for the good of the planet and its people, esp. for those living in poverty – and should not create more insecurity



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