



GWI UPDATE – 26 December 2018



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Balanced budget; continue austerity with path to GWI growth



Modernized GWI policies; confirmed new NFAs



Finalized the structuring of the 33rd GWI Triennial, Peace through Education Centenary Celebration and Conference

MEMBERSHIP

GWI membership comprises more than 15000 women graduates from around the world. Our members work nationally and internationally to promote safe access to quality, lifelong education for girls and women



55

GWI supports 55 National Federations and Associations (NFAs)



3

Confirmed Pakistan and Paraguay as new NFAs; reaffiliated Argentina



27

Increased Independent Members to include 27 countries



101

The GWI office referred 101 applicants to their local NFAs

GWI AT THE UN

GWI participated in the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), Human Rights Council (HRC), Convention on the Elimination of Violence Against Women (CEDAW), Universal Periodic Review (UPR), Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People, High Level Political Forum and more



8

Submitted eight written and oral statements to the HRC and CSW with recognition by WUNRRN



16

Reported on the UPR and CEDAW outcomes for 16 NFAs under review



27

Represented by 17 delegates at CSW62, who submitted 27 reports



17

GWI UN representatives in New-York, Geneva, Vienna and Paris submitted 17 advocacy reports

COMMUNICATION

Through a comprehensive communication plan of daily, cross-platform, social media posts, the Update and InFocus Newsletters and press releases, GWI advances its mission locally, nationally and internationally



1900

More than 1900 posts on three different social media platforms and the GWI Discussion Network



+16%

Gained nearly 1000 social media followers representing a 16% increase over 2017



312

Published 26 Update Newsletters, including special editions for CSW and HRC, totalling 312 write-ups



20

Produced 20 press releases with accompanying NFA templates

ADVOCACY

Created four impactful advocacy campaign toolkits that offer gripping information, Sustainable Development Goals, connections, advocacy ideas and comprehensive social media campaigns complete with Facebook posts, cover photos, infographics, Tweets and more!



International Menstrual Hygiene Day



International Day of the Girl as published in WUNRRN



Gender Equity Toolkit



16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

PROJECTS & PROGRAMMES



1138

1138 women and girls directly benefited from the 2017-2018 Bina Roy Partners in Development projects in Egypt, Kenya, Mexico, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa and Turkey



12000

GWI will award 12000CHF to the recipient of the Caroline Spurgeon Centenary Fellowship in 2019



5

GWI continues to support five young, rural women students in Kampala, Uganda to earn their teaching degree



2

Awarded two grants to displaced graduate women through the Hegg Hoffet Fund for displaced women graduates

PEACE THROUGH EDUCATION



211

Begin preparation for the 33rd GWI Triennial, Peace through Education Centenary Celebration and Conference; 74 persons have already registered; there are only 211 days left until this momentous event; register now!



14

Led a team of 14 Girls Education Champions at the Course de l'Escalade in Geneva to promote girls' education and raise funds for our programmes.



487

487 GWI members and friends are wearing the Peace through Education bracelets

INTERSHIPS & MENTORING



8

GWI mentored eight interns from around the world including England, Italy, Spain, France, the United States and South Africa



2

GWI participated in the upskilling of two Swiss women as part of a Geneva-state work study programme

COLLABORATION IN GENEVA



GWI is an active participant in the NGO-Committee on the Status of Women, Geneva, Vienna and New-York, a strategic body for women's rights advocacy



Active participation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, NGO Committee on Ageing and gender networks to promote the protection of education rights

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Empowering women and girls through lifelong education for leadership, decision-making and peace. GWI, formerly IFUW, is in special consultative status with ECOSOC since 1947 and is an NGO maintaining official relations with UNESCO and ILO.

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