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### Annual Report 2015 / 2016 and Financial Report 2015

#### **Membership, Governance and International Secretariat**

At the Annual General Meeting in 2015, a decision was passed by those present that due to the large number of inactive members, the membership of the GenderCC network was to be reviewed and contacted. This process was started in 2016 and all members were asked to confirm their interest in a GenderCC membership. Those who did not respond were contacted several times and were eventually removed from the membership list. This means that the membership numbers have dropped since the end of 2015, although we have gained 21 new members in 2016 so far.

Currently GenderCC has 86 members. This includes 40 individuals from developing countries and 28 from industrialised countries, and 13 organisations from developing countries and 5 organisations from industrialised countries.

The GenderCC board is currently made up of:

Dorah Marema, South Africa (Chair)  
Patricia Glazebrook, USA (Vice Chair)  
Gotelind Alber, Germany (Treasurer)  
Ulrike Röhr, Germany

Following the previous AGM, the Steering Group was dissolved at the beginning of 2016. Members were thanked for their commitment to GenderCC and the work that had been done by the Steering Group over the past years.

In August 2016, the Secretariat wrote to all members on behalf of the Board, calling for nominations for a new Steering Group. Nominations were reviewed by the Board and resulted in the following shortlist:

- Usha Nair (All India Women's Conference, India)
- Nicky Broeckhoven (Belgium)
- Eunice Warue (Kenya)

- Yvette Abrahams (South Africa)
- Minu Hemmati (Germany)
- Olfa Jelassi (Tunisia)

The shortlist will be presented to members for review at the Annual General Meeting 2016 and sent to all members of the network. If there are no objections, the Steering Committee will be finalised and is expected to resume activities by December 2016.

## GenderCC's Activities in 2015 / 2016

Following COP21 in Paris, coverage of GenderCC's activities and interviews with our members were published by a number of German and international media sources. Links to the media reports are available on the "media coverage" page of the GenderCC website.

Regular newsletters were published in 2016 and additional updates on GenderCC activities, current developments, new publications and events related to gender and climate change were regularly posted on the GenderCC website and social media networks.

Ongoing efforts have been made to increase the reach of GenderCC on social media. The Facebook page was regularly updated and now has 621 fans. The GenderCC twitter profile, used primarily during the climate conferences, now has 537 followers and is tagged regularly by other organisations and contacts. A "member's Monday" campaign has been used to feature the work of our members online and encourage engagement with our Facebook page.

GenderCC was represented at the UNFCCC sessions during 2015-2016, including COP21 in Paris, the SB sessions in Bonn and COP22 in Marrakech.

The work of the Secretariat was supported by several interns throughout the year: Lawreen Mkado (Kenya), Pratibha Singh (India), and Angelica Wågström (Sweden).

## Projects

The **"Gender into Urban Climate Change Initiative (GUCCI)"** was launched in November 2015 and has been making considerable progress in 2016. The project is part of the International Climate Initiative (IKI), funded by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB). Despite some delays, activities are now being implemented by GenderCC's project partners GenderCC Southern Africa, All India Women's Conference, and Aksi! for gender, social and ecological justice in Indonesia. The project is coordinated by the GenderCC Secretariat in Berlin and is planned to run until the end of 2018. A small kick-off meeting was held in Paris during COP21 in 2015; since then, national kick-off meetings have been held in Johannesburg in South Africa and Makassar in Indonesia. A further kick-off meeting is planned for Delhi, India at the end of 2016. Regular updates on the project will be published on the GenderCC website.

In spring 2016, the project **"GenderNETCLIM"** came to an end with the conference "Climate needs change: fostering the potential of gender research" (March 1, 2016 in Berlin, Germany). The project's core messages were presented and discussed by academics and experts from the fields of climate change and gender equality. Debates focused on the questions of how climate mitigation and adaptation can become more (gender-)equal, as well as how findings from Gender Studies research can be made useful for political strategies on climate change and the apparent need for action on integrating gender into climate mitigation and adaptation. Moreover, a manual was published, presenting the key messages of the project and some examples on how gender could be integrated in climate change related fields, like energy, building, nutrition, mobility or work as well as policy recommendations and research needs.

While the project primarily addressed German climate change policy and was therefore conducted in German, the key messages were translated into English.

The project was conducted in collaboration with the “artec research center for sustainability” at the University of Bremen. See <http://gendercc.net/our-work/current-projects/gendernetclim.html>

## **Perspectives**

At present, a project focused on international advocacy is planned for 2017. It aims to provide support to a small group of climate and gender activists from the Global South, allowing them to engage in the international climate negotiations and facilitating a shared learning process between these activists and staff at the GenderCC Secretariat and GenderCC member organisation LIFE. The project is pending approval and will be financed by the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation in Germany.

Furthermore, together with two research institutes, a bid for a research activity has been submitted to the German Environmental Agency for an undertaking in 2017-2018. It would include a literature review on gender, intersectionality and climate policy with a view to high-income countries and a gender analysis of the German climate action programmes, with the aim of producing recommendations for German climate policy. Although focusing on German policy, it would considerably expand our knowledge base on gender-responsive climate policy in the Global North.