



GenderCC – Women for Climate Justice

Annual Report 2016 / 2017 and Financial Report 2016

Membership, Governance and International Secretariat

As decided at last year's AGM the International Secretariat has invested additional efforts in strengthening the network and members' exchange.

Compared to last year, GenderCC's member basis has continued to grow and currently encompasses 93 members. This includes 42 individuals from developing countries and 32 from industrialised countries, and 14 organisations from developing countries and 5 organisations from industrialised countries.

The GenderCC **Board of Directors** is currently made up of:

Dorah Marema, South Africa (Chair)

Patricia Glazebrook, USA (Vice Chair)

Gotelind Alber, Germany (Treasurer)

Ulrike Röhr, Germany

At the previous AGM, members were selected to join the new **Steering Committee** based on their applications and experiences with the GenderCC network. Afterwards all members were asked for their approval via email. The group was approved without objections by all members. The Steering Committee has resumed work at the beginning of 2017.

It is currently composed of the following persons:

- Usha Nair (All India Women's Conference, India)
- Nicky Broeckhoven (Belgium)
- Eunice Warue (Kenya)
- Sharmind Neelormi (Bangladesh)
- Yvette Abrahams (South Africa)
- Olfa Jelassi (Tunisia)
- Minu Hemmati (Germany)

If members are interested in becoming a member of the Steering Committee please reach out to the Board of Directors. The amendment of the Steering Committee is possible on a continuous basis.

The Steering Committee provides the main leadership for the network. Its tasks include

- Developing and safeguarding GenderCC's mission statement, policies, strategic plans, etc.
- Leading the monitoring and evaluation of network activities
- Recruiting and mobilise new network members
- Identify funding and partnership opportunities for GenderCC in their various regions
- Overseeing the work of GenderCC
- Representing GenderCC network externally
- Developing circles of women and organisations in various world regions to participate in discussions and development of perspectives on gender and climate change

The main task of the Steering Committee during this year and the next year will be to develop a long-term strategy for the development of the GenderCC network. First ideas were collected during last year's AGM when it became clear that the members attending the last AGM were very much interested to work on the topics of transport and national climate policies (NDCs).

The **International Secretariat** is currently set up of Gotelind Alber (Board member), Ulrike Röhr (Board member), Linda Ederberg (project coordinator), Patricia Bohland (finance officer) and Lisa Göldner (student assistant). Kate Cahoon left the team in 2017 after 5 years.

Additionally, the Secretariat hosted **interns** throughout both years: In 2016 Lawreen Mkado (Kenya), Pratibha Singh (India), and Angelica Wågström (Sweden) and in 2017 Louise Lap (UK/Netherlands), Elena Alter (Germany) and Iris Morrell (USA) were of great support.

GenderCC's Activities in 2016 / 2017



GenderCC is administered by the Secretariat located in Berlin, Germany. The main channels for communication with the public are GenderCC's website, facebook page, twitter, flickr* as well as our regular newsletters. In 2016 and 2017 GenderCC published in total five newsletters. An additional edition will be published after COP23. The newsletter offers also space for GenderCC members to share information with a broader audience and to highlight their activities. Currently 648 persons are subscribed to the newsletters. In addition, updates on GenderCC activities, current UNFCCC 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 attract more persons to follow GenderCC on **social media**. The facebook page is currently updated almost daily and has so far 867 fans and 869 followers. The

Image 1: SB46 gender workshop

GenderCC twitter profile, used primarily during events and conferences, has 877 followers. Follow and/or share us: @GenderCC.

The campaign, “Member’s Monday” that has been set up by a previous intern is used to feature the work of our members via our social media channels and website. The pictures are currently published every first Monday of the month. Any member can contact the Secretariat if interested in being featured as well. In addition, on the occasion the International Day of Women and Girls in Science on 11 February, a similar campaign featured female climate researchers.

GenderCC has continued its international advocacy work in the UNFCCC process. We were represented at the intersessional meeting in May 2016, at COP22 in Marrakech, at the intersessional meetings in May 2017 as well as at COP23 in Bonn. GenderCC has been represented with delegations encompassing staff members of the International Secretariat, GenderCC members (including members of the Board of Directors and the Steering Committee) and partners from our broader network. Additionally, Kate Cahoon attended a preparatory meeting for the Gender Action Plan in de Hague in March 2017.

GenderCC has continued its work in the Women and Gender Constituency and has participated in collaborative projects such as the Gender-just Climate Solutions Award.

Besides lobbying at international level, GenderCC was active at both EU level as well national level in Germany. Since September 2017 GenderCC is member of the German-wide association [Klima-Allianz](#), with more than 100 member organisations lobbying at the German national level.

This will boost GenderCC’s presence in Germany and enhance lobbying for gender justice in German national climate policies. At EU level, GenderCC’s board member Gotelind Alber was invited to speak at a conference on Gender and Environment hosted by the European Greens at the EU Parliament.

Besides the communication related tasks done by GenderCC, the project teams use **GenderCC’s Global Learning Platform** to exchange on project-related matters and for learning purposes. In summer 2017 the Secretariat started a new course on Biodiversity, Climate and Gender that was initiated by our previous intern. Basic information is already provided. For further development and improvements we need the support from our members. As member you can contact the Secretariat if you are interested in contributing to the Platform or testing the course.

In order to enhance the exchange between members as requested by the AGM in 2016 the Secretariat has started a LinkedIn group. Therefore, to vivid exchange, looking for project partners, share activities and more [join the new LinkedIn group](#).

To strengthen the Berlin-wide network of feminists for climate justice GenderCC invited members and friends to a networking night in September 2017 and will organise these events on a regular basis. The first networking event resulted in an initiative to organise a flashmob action at the Brandenburger Tor 10 days prior to COP23.

Projects

The project **Gender into Urban Climate Change Initiative (GUCCI)** has been running for two years now. Considerable progress has been made, as all partners could be finally contracted and in all pilot cities the Gender Assessment and Monitoring of Mitigations and Adaptation – methodology (GAMMA) could be started.

So far GAMMA shows that even though many cities already developed climate action programmes and strategies, the implementation is largely lacking behind. Gender has so far not systematically been taken into account in any of the pilot cities' climate policies, although some of them have gender equality departments. After the interviews in the course of GAMMA, most pilot cities' administrations expressed their interest towards integrating gender in their climate-related activities and were interested in receiving recommendations. After finalising the assessment, recommendations to improve urban climate policies and ideas for local projects and campaigns that can be used as showcases of gender just-climate action in the cities will be developed.



Image 2: Gender into Urban Climate Change – 2nd international project meeting in Yogyakarta, Indonesia

In addition, several meetings and workshops were held in 2016 and 2017. Two international meetings took place for which all members of the project team met in Berlin, Germany and Yogyakarta, Indonesia. The meetings aimed at sharing experiences made with project activities such as the status quo report or when conducting the interviews with local stakeholders and reaching out to the cities' administrations. They strongly support cooperation and peer-reviews of methodologies, training materials, reports and other outputs between all partners and countries. Furthermore, all project partners organised local stakeholder and national capacity workshops in the pilot cities. The workshops address city stakeholders such as citizens and communities, individuals from administration, NGOs or research institutes working in the field of gender and urban climate policies and actions. The target of the workshops are defined by the partner needs and are used for capacity building on gender and climate change, urban climate policies, to present local assessments results and more.

In the beginning of 2017 GenderCC has started a new research project in cooperation with the Wuppertal Institute and the Institute for Social-Ecological Research (ISOE) on **The contribution of gender justice to successful climate politics: impact assessment, interdependencies with other**

social categories, methodological issues and options for shaping climate policy. It is funded in the framework of the Environmental Research Plan of the German Environmental Ministry and the German Environment Agency, started by the end of 2016 and will run for two years. The research project examines the added value of a gender perspective for climate protection and adaptation and develops recommendations for taking action. It involves three work packages: 1) A systematic review of the literature on gender and climate change with a focus on industrialised countries, and an analysis of the relevant international agreements and mechanisms and their strategies to address gender issues, as well as their implications for gender-responsive national climate policy. A methodology for a gender review of national mitigation and adaptation programmes is developed and applied to the German action programmes. The first work package of this research project has recently been completed. It resulted in an interim report that provides an overview on evidence-based publications addressing gender and climate

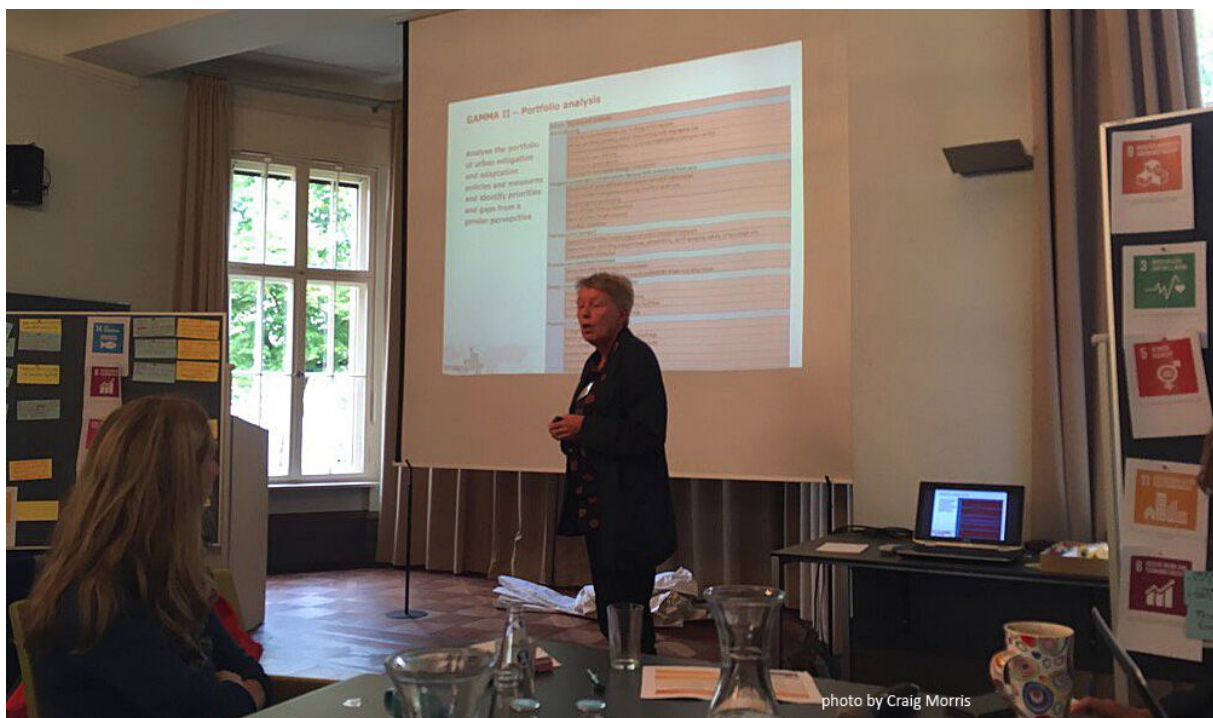


Image 3: Presentation of project outputs at PIK Summer School

in industrialised countries, resistances in implementing the gender knowledge and strategies to overcome these barriers.

Moreover it provides the results of a comprehensive analysis of relevant international agreements and mechanisms and their strategies to address gender issues, as well as their implications for gender-responsive national climate policy and a matrix for a gender assessment of national mitigation and adaptation programmes.

The two other work packages focus on the following: 2) The instrument of gender impact assessment will be further developed and adjusted, primarily (but not exclusively) for the German institutional context. 3) An analysis will be conducted on the benefits of integrating gender dimensions into climate policies and measures and on the question of how climate policies can facilitate gender justice. As the basis for future work the project will give recommendations on how to close information gaps and improve data collection, and, finally, policy recommendations for integrating gender into the German climate change politics will be developed.

Together with our long-standing partner organisation in Germany, LIFE e.V., GenderCC launched a new project at the beginning of 2017 called **Not without us! Climate justice and gender justice in international climate politics**. The aim of the project is to promote the integration of gender justice within the global climate justice movement and in the international climate regime. It is supported by the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation with funds of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany. Throughout the year a group of activists from different gender and climate change organisations all around the world: Solidaritas Perempuan (Indonesia), GenderCC Southern Africa, the Critical Geography Collective (Ecuador) as well as LIFE and GenderCC (Germany), are supported in their attempts to connect local struggles for climate and gender justice with the UNFCCC process, enabling networking with other actors. In May 2017 the project team met in Bonn for a capacity-building workshop and to attend the SB46 climate talks, in November the team attended COP23 and contributed to the civil society activities prior to the COP. Several capacity building activities like webinar, workshop and learning materials on the Global Learning Platform allowed the participants to get strategic insights on the UNFCCC process and the work of the Women and Gender Constituency. You can find first outputs on our website. Three articles from their participation at the SB-sessions provide you with an impression of the negotiations from an activist's point of view and an insight on their focal topics: agriculture, REDD+ and conflict of interests within the UNFCCC.



Image 4: Not without us! Project team at intersessionals SB46

Information on current projects can be found [on the website](#).

From April 2015 to March 2016 GenderCC conducted the project **GenderNETCLIM - Competence Network Equitable Opportunities in Climate Change** in collaboration with the Sustainability Research Center (artec) at the University of Bremen. The project sought to contribute to the development of strategies for climate protection as well as to climate change adaptation, integrating the aim of promoting equitable opportunities through networking and providing assistance for key actors, women scientists in climate research, mitigation and adaptation; the continuation of existing instruments used to address gender in climate mitigation and adaptation; the use of existing knowledge in the field of gender studies to shape climate-related technical and social transformative processes; and the transfer and further practical development of the findings relating to equitable opportunities that emerged from the research partnership “nordwest2050 perspectives for climate-adapted innovation processes in the metropolitan region Bremen-Oldenburg in north-western Germany”. The project activities included two workshops with experts from the field of climate mitigation/adaptation, as well as gender experts on practice-oriented courses of action for the integration of equitable opportunities into climate research and politics; one workshop with female climate scientists on the issue of gender and the gender aspects of their work; the creation of a German competence and expert network; the development of an interactive communication platform, as well as a brochure containing the results of the project and guidelines for implementing equitable opportunities in the field of climate change; and finally a concluding conference on March 1, 2016 with (international) experts from research, politics, administration in the field.

Information on past projects are also provided on the [GenderCC website](#).

Perspectives

Except for the GenderNETCLIM project, all projects will be continued in 2018. The Gender into Urban Climate Change Initiative is planned to be expanded to include additional pilot cities, one new partner country (Mexico), and the methodology developed in the course of the project will be additionally applied to the national level.

Furthermore, another research activity has just started and will be implemented in the two upcoming years. It again funded in the framework of the Environmental Research Plan of the German Environmental Ministry and the German Environment Agency. It will look at core sectors for urban sustainability, such as housing, mobility, food, and clothing, from a gender perspective, taking into consideration the dynamics or consumption on the one hand and gender roles on the other. It is a collaboration with the consulting company ISlconsult and the Sustainability Research Center (artec) at the University of Bremen, will run for two years, starting from October 2017, and will eventually generate recommendations for policies and gender-sensitive research.

Based on the interest shown at last year's AGM; GenderCC is working towards developing activities to address the linkage of gender and transport. We are currently searching funds and welcome support and expressions of interests in this regard

Financial Report 2016 (EUR)

	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017 (plan)
Incomes			
Reserves / advance payments	5580.59	54482.54	46202.45
Membership fees	600.00	0.00	0.00
Subsidies/grants	58012.01	168985.56	210900.00
IKI GUCCI		<i>168985.56</i>	<i>205000.00</i>
Rosa-Luxemburg Foundation			<i>3400.00</i>
Small projects			<i>2500.00</i>
Contracts	59156.89	29578.44	26300.00
Uni Bremen		<i>10688.44</i>	
BMUB / UBA			<i>21600.00</i>
VAT 2015 and 2016		<i>18890.00</i>	<i>4700.00</i>
Other Incomes	1922.00	557.73	200.00
Donations		<i>160.00</i>	
Reimbursements		<i>397.73</i>	
Total income	125271.49	253604.27	283602.45
Spending			
Payroll	60145.57	126508.34	132500.00
Salaries incl. taxes and social security		<i>126148.34</i>	<i>132000.00</i>
Other work contracts		<i>360.00</i>	<i>500.00</i>
Transfers		57619.51	120000.00
Transfers to project partners		<i>57619.51</i>	<i>120000.00</i>
Travel costs	3514.89	8611.03	8500.00
Travel and allowances		<i>8611.03</i>	<i>8500.00</i>
Office costs	3360.90	5489.05	5550.00
Office rental and cleaning		<i>5489.05</i>	<i>5550.00</i>
Administration costs	1720.71	4309.00	3600.00
Office supplies		<i>3971.61</i>	<i>3000.00</i>
Banking costs		<i>337.39</i>	<i>600.00</i>
Consultancy and services	902.02	2055.90	1800.00
Bookkeeping and audit		<i>2055.90</i>	<i>1800.00</i>
Publications. public relations. events	1144.86	2808.99	3800.00
Publications. Web.		<i>2051.71</i>	<i>1800.00</i>
Communication			<i>2000.00</i>
Events		<i>757.28</i>	
Other			
Total expenditures	70788.95	207401.82	275750.00
Total income	125271.49	253604.27	283602.45
Balance	54482.54	46202.45	7852.45