

RECOMMENDATIONS
NETWORK OF WOMEN MINISTERS AND LEADERS FOR ENVIRONMENT
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The Network of Women Ministers and Leaders for Environment calls upon the Parties and the Secretariat of the UNFCCC to:

- Recognize that women **are powerful agents of change** and that their full participation is critical in adaptation and mitigation policies and initiatives, and hence, guarantee that women and gender experts participate in all decisions related to climate change;
- Take action in order to ensure UNFCCC compliance with human rights frameworks, international and national commitments on gender equality and equity, including the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW);
- Develop a gender strategy, invest in gender-specific climate change research and establish a system for the use of gender-sensitive indicators and criteria for governments to use in national reporting to the UNFCCC Secretariat;
- Analyze and identify gender-specific impacts and protection measures related to floods, droughts, heat waves, diseases, and other environmental changes and disasters;
- Given that millions of poor women affected by climate change live and work outside the reach of formal markets, design and implement funding mechanisms accessible to them to reduce their particular vulnerabilities. In addition, increase equitable access by poor women and men to climate change market-based approaches such as the Clean Development Mechanism.