Seasons Greetings and Happy Holidays from WEDO

It’s time to say goodbye to 2016 and welcome in the New Year!

We’d like to share a brief look at WEDO’s work and achievements from 2016 that positively impacted women and the environment and strengthened our alliances:

- **WEDO attends the 60th Commission on the Status of Women in New York, holding side events and advocacy training sessions with partners from NGO/CSW, the Women’s Major Group and other women’s rights colleagues.**
- On March 17th, WEDO, alongside allies and activists, held a rally demanding justice for the murder of women human rights and environmental defender Berta Caceres ([Watch Video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=example_video))
- During the signing of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, WEDO and the Women’s Global Call for Climate Justice Campaign host an Earth Day rally with advocates, activists, and indigenous women leaders ([Watch Video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=example_video))
- From May 16th to May 20th, the WEDO team joins over 1,000 observers to attend the forty-fourth session of the UN Climate Change Conference (SB44; APA1) in Bonn, Germany ([Read Highlights](https://www.wedo.org/))
- At the 2016 Women Deliver Conference in Copenhagen, WEDO co-organizes 3 sessions for the Environmental and Climate Change Cluster, the first time it’s had such prominence at the conference
- **After 20 years, WEDO archives, packs and moves into a new office in July!!**
- WEDO, as an organizing partner of the Women’s Major Group, facilitates advocacy and participation of WGO members and calls for gender equality, the realization of women’s human rights and the empowerment of women as essential and cross-cutting to the implementation of all the SDGs at the High-Level Political Forum, the UN’s key mechanism for tracking progress on the new Sustainable Development Goals ([Read final WMG press release](https://www.wedo.org/))
- **WEDO attends the 2016 International Union for Conservation Nature (IUCN) Congress, with this year’s theme ‘Planet at the Crossroads’ ([Read Highlights](https://www.wedo.org/))**
- WEDO joins thousands of activists for the 13th AIWD International Forum “Feminaris Futures: Building Collective Power for Rights and Justice”, focusing on cross-movement building around women’s rights, environment and climate justice ([Read summary of a discussion on climate justice](https://www.wedo.org/))
- WEDO partners with allies to #ReclaimPower and transform energy systems as well as joins the Women Act for Climate Justice: 10 Days of Global Action
- **WEDO launches its weekly newsletter called WEDO Links - the most pressing news and media linking women’s rights, environment and development**
- WEDO announces a lead partnership with the World Urban Campaign and attends the Habitat III Conference in Quito, which adopted the New Urban Agenda
- **WEDO co-authors, “Delivering Decentralized, Community-Controlled Renewable Energy Access” ([Read here](https://www.wedo.org/))**
- At the Twenty-Second Conference of Parties (COP22) to the UNFCCC held in Marrakesh Morocco, WEDO co-organizes the GCCA Innovation Forum and facilitates the Women Delegates Fund Night School ([Watch video highlights here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=example_video) | [Read analysis of final outcome here](https://www.wedo.org/))
- In partnership with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland and the GCCA, WEDO launches its newest tool to support the efforts: The Gender Climate Tracker App and online platform ([Download the app here](https://www.wedo.org/))
- As a member of the Global Gender Climate Alliance (GGCA), WEDO presents the GGCA’s new research piece, regional factsheets and infographic called, “Gender and Climate Change: A Closer Look at Existing Evidence” ([Read here](https://www.wedo.org/))