

The Women Delegates Fund (WDF): Women's Leadership in Climate Policy



Pacific Women Climate Change Negotiators Workshop, 21 - 24 August, 2017, Suva, Fiji
Eighteen women from twelve countries participated, thirteen of whom are attending COP 23 as a member of their Government's national delegation, supported under WDF.

Recognizing a need to support the participation and leadership of women in the UN climate negotiations, particularly from countries most affected by climate change, in 2009, the Government of Finland partnered with the Global Gender and Climate Alliance (GGCA), and the Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) to launch the Women Delegates Fund (WDF). In recent years, contributions from the Governments of the Netherlands, Australia, Canada, Iceland, and Switzerland have helped strengthen the programme. The WDF works to enhance women's participation in the climate negotiations in three key ways: 1) Travel support; 2) Capacity Building and Networking, and 3) Outreach and Advocacy.

The Women Delegates Fund Regional Training: Women's Leadership in Climate Change

In 2017, the WDF was able to expand its reach through a series of regional 4-day trainings for women leaders, deepening participants understanding of the UNFCCC process, and allowing time for skills-building exercises on negotiations skills, diplomacy and public speaking.

Four WDF Regional Trainings (Pacific, Asia, Caribbean) for

Eighty-Three Women Delegates from

Forty-One Countries

Twenty-Eight Women Delegates attending COP 23 as a member of their Governments' National Delegation

The Women Delegates Fund (WDF) By the Numbers



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at: <http://wedo.org/what-we-do/our-programs/women-delegates-fund/>