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**Célébration de 365 femmes leader**

honorées ces 20 dernières années avec le **Prix WWSF pour la créativité des femmes en milieu rural**

Prize for Women’s Creativity in Rural Life©

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C'est avec grand plaisir que nous célébrons le 8 Mars - Journée internationale de la femme 2011 - les 365 lauréates (provenant de plus de 100 pays) ayant reçu le *Prix pour la créativité des femmes en milieu rural* au cours de ces 20 dernières années à travers les programmes de la WWSF visant à accroître la capacité d'agir des femmes afin de promouvoir le statut des femmes rurales à travers le monde.


Il est indispensable d'accroître la capacité d'agir et de soutenir les femmes rurales en vue d'atteindre la sécurité alimentaire des ménages, le développement durable, la paix, et les Objectifs du Millénaire pour le développement.
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Benin 2002  Innocentia EDWIGE A. GUEDEGBE, mobilises women for development
Benin 2003  Amina Bio Yau BIO NIGAN, creates good products at low prices
Benin 2006  Rufine KOUKOUI, promoting women’s rights
Benin 2010  Juliette KETEHOUNDJE, an innovative approach to microfinance
Burkina Faso 1997  Mariam MAIGA, an exceptional rural women’s leader
Burkina Faso 1997  RECIF/NGO, using information as empowerment
Burkina Faso 1999  Rahamata SAVADOGO, pioneer in rural creativity and family planning
Burkina Faso 2001  KASSENA “Femmes Bâtisseurs”, perpetuating traditional art forms
Burkina Faso 2007  Association pour la Promotion des Femmes de Gaoua, transforming traditional practices
Burkina Faso 2009  Catherine OUDERAOGO-KANSSOLÉ, a tireless creative innovator
Botswana 2000  Lesego Veronica MOLAPO, a market becomes a space for rural demands
Cameroon 1997 Mary PEKOKEH, turns village into small town
Cameroon 1998 Alice EWUME, heals with herbs and love
Cameroon 2003 Eugénie NOUNEL NKOLO, defends Pygmies' rights
Cameroon 2007 Cameroon Young Jurists Legal Resource Center, giving women hope for the future
Cameroon 2008 Bali Women's Union of Farming Groups, translation as a tool for development
Cameroon 2010 Anne Stella FOMUMBOD, a unique charter for widows
Cape Verde 2007 Maria Isabel ALVES, when the Rabelados become innovators
Chad 2001 Robertine DEMBETTE, women take charge
D. R. Congo 1999 Gode BINDA KINI, empowers women through organisation
D. R. Congo 2002 Mateo NYOTA MWAVITA, development through collective work
D. R. Congo 2005 Esther OPANGA-NdjOWO, good survival first
D. R. Congo 2008 AFIAP Association women nurses for rape victims, the lack of means is already a means
Ethiopia 1996 W/o Alganesh AWASH, ends violence against women
Egypt 1995 Gawaher Saad El Sherbini FADL, reclains the right for women to land and labor
Ghana 1995 Joan AGBO, reaches out to rural women in farming and trading
Ghana 1999 Elizabeth ABAKAI, standing for cleanliness and respect
Ghana 1999 Narki DOKU, educating for village life
Ghana 2000 Laurine TORKORY, liberating women from sexual slavery
Guinea 2002 Mariama DIOULDE DIALLO, empowerment through sewing
Ivory-Coast 2009 Madeleine GBLIA, facing adversity with bare hands
Kenya 1997 The BAMAKO INITIATIVE GROUP, village doctors on bicycles
Kenya 1997 Sudanese REFUGEE WOMEN'S GROUP, refugees move to self - sufficiency
Kenya 1998 Theresa MASINDE, a tireless organizer
Kenya 1999 Naomi JERUTO, a super social worker
Kenya 1999 Dolphine M.A. OKECH, nicknamed “the Exemplary Educator”
Kenya 2000 Fleria ODUAR NDEGE, fighting harmful traditional practices
Kenya 2000 Lucia KAKUNDI KITENG’U, a natural born agronomist
Kenya 2001 Selline OTIENO KORIR, a crusader for peace
Kenya 2002 Gladys CHIKA, fighting poverty through AIDS prevention
Kenya 2002 Tekla WANJIKU MBIRIRI, teaching rural women management skills
Kenya 2006 Margaret Ntuti AKWALU, educate a girl and you educate a nation
Kenya 2007 Mercy KIYAPYAP, camels and bees for sustainable development
Kenya 2007 Joyce ONEKO, empowering rural women
Kenya 2010 Dorothy AWINO, Land rights for women: a development “must”
Liberia 2006 Liberia CRISIS CENTER, the right to dignity and justice
Liberia 2007 Agnès KARTIMAI, advocate for rural women’s rights
Madagascar 1999 VONONA, “ready and decided” to save the forest
Mali 1995 Samake NAKANI and Sangare AMINATA, fight poverty, misery and ignorance
Mali 2000 Aissata GUINDO, an exceptionally creative teacher
Mali 2005 Association ESSEM, healing ills of rural exodus
Mali 2005 Association IDL JEUNESSE DEGUENJA, preventing ills of rural exodus
Morocco 1996 KHADOUJ, gives loans for freedom
Mauritania 1998 AMAL Women’s Cooperation HOPE, fights desertification and illiteracy
Namibia 1997 OSHITUKAFITU Women’s Group, rural poor educate society
Niger 2003 Hadjara HASSANE, don’t kill the “mother of trees”
Niger 2003 Haoua BARAZE, standing up for girls’ schooling
Niger 2008 Zahra MOHAMED ATTAYEB, fights ignorance and gets girls to school
Nigeria 1996 E.O. OLAWOLU, preserves tradition for tomorrow
Nigeria 1998 Janet AKINBODE, ends hunger - now
Nigeria 1998 Rose ADAMU, overcomes timeless taboos
Nigeria 1999 Mercy Agu ANAGBOGU, restoring the dignity of women
Nigeria 2000 Ethel NNE EKEKE, empowering through weaving
Nigeria 2001 Victoria BOSEDE DUNMADE, appropriate technology for women
Nigeria 2003 Victoria ADETONA, micro-credit for rural women
Nigeria 2009 Assumpta NGOZIKA REGINALD, a pioneer fighting AIDS
Rwanda 1996 Godeliève MUKASARASI, never discouraged whatever the obstacle
Rwanda 1998 Espérance MUKANDEMEZO, walk your talk - she does
Rwanda 2009 Odette KAYIRE, quiet strenght in the midst of tempest
Senegal 1994 Fatoumata FOFOANA, starts first sesame seed cottage industry
Senegal 1994 Adam TAMBA, improves quality of life
Senegal 1998 Thérèse SENGHOR, combats fish piracy in coastal seas
India

2003 D’Dew SENE, fights unauthorized tourism development
2000 Yatta SAMAH, healing the scars of war
1998 Lois THOMPSON, a beacon of hope in war-torn Sierra-Leone
1996 Lephina MAPANGA, helps others to help themselves
1998 Sonia HARDNECK, teaches values for life
1997 Bongsiwe KHOSA, passion, perseverance and commitment
1999 Hilengwe “LEO” MCHUNU, fighting the silent killer HIV/AIDS
2010 Wendy Jasmine PEKEUR, a trade union for those who feed the nation
1995 Huda Adbel-ELHAMEID, expands fishing activities and becomes expert in salted fish
1997 Hawa Adam YAGOUB, with sheep against famine
1998 Gania ALI AL BASHIR, committed to serve
2008 Sister Placida MOSHA, building with bricks and creativity
1995 Coordinating Bureau WOMEN’S GROUPS, SEGOU TIDA, educates rural poor
1998 Amavi KOSSIDONKO, her courage overcomes all obstacles
2001 Honorine POIDI, reviving cultural identity and native language
2001 MAWULAWOE, struggling to provide iodised salt
2002 Apéa KOUNETSRON, reviving ancestral soap making methods
2003 Nyuemedi KOUBLENOU, helps handicapped rural people
2005 Agnélé Delali Christine MENSAH, educational sketches for development
1996 Latifa Meddeh BENT MOKHTAR, a one-woman ‘Body Shop’
2003 Mbirika CHOKRI, broods eggs in dung
1998 Petty ANGIDA-BENT MOHHTAR, vegetables for war victims
2000 Loyce OGOLLA, trees for development
1999 Rebecca MULWANA, a model organic farmer
2002 Peace BYANDUSYA, mushroom growing brings income
1997 Cecilia MAKOTA, good organization is key to success
2006 Eleni BANDA, justice for all through paralegal training
1998 Virginia MUPANDUKI, empowers women through garden cooperatives
2000 Patience SITHOLE, restoring land using traditional agriculture
2002 Eliza NGWENYA, solidarity for food security
2003 Betty MAKONI, prevents child abuse nation-wide in Villages of Hope
2006 Angeline MUGWENDERI, women’s education: a tiger in the tank for development
2008 Shorai CHITONGO, a firm NO to domestic violence

SOUTH CENTRAL ASIA

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2008 Leila HAKIM-ALI, Goat herder brings light to rural homes
1996 Goaler VITA, a pioneer rural women’s group
1997 Jabeed Sattar KHAN, half a million women on the move
1995 Samuben UKABHI STELLA EDDATU and Ranbai Jema RAUMA, lead a union of 14’000
1995 Madhuben Bhailal SOLANKI, forms savings group in her village Vakharia
1996 Tulsi DEVI JANI, a tribal woman turns activist
1996 KUNWARBEN, handicapped with leprosy becomes leader
1997 Manchba Kheraji RATHOD, needles women out of hunger
1997 Shantaben Lakhmanbhai KOLI, a salt farmer protects children
1997 Saviben Debhabhai AAYER, 1000 wanderers become artisans
1997 Puriben Vaghabhai Kehu AHIR, a human rights leader
1997 Menaben Harichandbhai THAKORE, fights the desert
1997 Ms. RANI, persistence pays off
1998 Lata KACHHAWAH, helps desert women survive
1998 IRUAL TRIVAL WOMEN’S WELFARE SOCIETY, claims human rights
1998 sister STELLA EDDATU, transforms rural women’s lives
1999 Radhaben BHANABHAI, a new beginning
1999 Sussela DEVI, restoring dignity to untouchables
1999 Swarnalata DEVI, defending land non-violently
1999 Agnes RUDRAPATI, abolishing child labor
1999 Sangrami DEVI, transforming a poor village
1999 Krishnamma JEGANNATH, a Gandian “Joan of Arc”
2000 Manohari DOSS, campaigning for the rights of the poor
2000 Pasumpon MAYANDI, tireless village activist
2000 R. VASANTHA, women become leaders
2000 Kalawati DEVI, setting and enforcing rules for the forest
India 2001 Kusum JAIN, giving hope to the helpless
India 2001 Rajeswari KARTHIKEYAN, eliminating chemical pesticides
India 2001 Ratni BAI KHATIK, determined to make a difference
India 2001 VIKAS MHAILA Multipurpose Cooperative Society, organising for change
India 2001 Helen MANOHARAN, challenging the caste system
India 2001 Prema NARASIMHAN, innovative rural development
India 2002 Durgaben JAISWAL, improving rural life
India 2002 Anthoniammal AROKIASAMY, an innovative ecological farmer
India 2002 Hirbaiben LOBI Ibrahibhai, a Siddi community leader
India 2002 Sangeeta SAWALAKHE, promoting biological control of insect pests
India 2002 Annapoorini T. MERCY, opportunities for women and children
India 2002 Radha VIJAY, helping women to help themselves
India 2003 Leela S. RAJSEKHAR, educates indigenous women and children
India 2003 All FARMERS CLUB, when women drive tractors
India 2003 Thresiamma MATHEW, builds walls of confidence
India 2003 Neela THANGAVELU, fights for the land
India 2005 Dhuliben Bhavanbai KHANT, a grassroots engineer beats the pros
India 2005 Jagran Jan Vikas Samiti INSTITUTE, empowering traditional rural healers
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India 2006 Gauriben RAYSINGHBHAI KOLI, water is life!
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India 2009 Anita RAGHAV, obstacles show our strength
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Pakistan 1998 Ghulam SUGHRA SOLANGI, leads with credit, health and family planning
Pakistan 1999 Khatima BIBI, a model woman activist
Pakistan 2000 Ghulam SUGHRA KUBAR, proving women’s worth
Pakistan 2002 Amber BALOUCH, fighting women’s exclusion from education
Pakistan 2003 Khalida BIBI AWA, creating a local seed bank
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Pakistan 2005 Dure-e-SHAHWAR, establishing women’s self-help groups
Pakistan 2008 Shad BEGUM, unfurching warrior for women’s rights
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Sri Lanka 2000 H.M. VIMALAWATHIE, organising for development, culture and peace
Sri Lanka 2002 Bandara MENIKE WEERASEKERA, leading women towards development and peace
Sri Lanka 2007 Rupa Manel SILVA, A bank by women, for women
Sri Lanka 2008 Thushari HEWAPATHIRA, new breakthroughs in micro lending

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China 1995 Jia JUNQIAO (Longju), teaches new skills and builds village school
China 1995 Lai XIAO, a Mongol herdswoman pioneers scientific strategy for sheep breeding
China 1996 Cai SHUZHEN, becomes agricultural researcher
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Laos 2010 Nuan Sy RATTANASITHY, from dependency to partnership of equals
Mongolia 1999 Sudaba MURADOVA, organizes women's solidarity for survival
Philippines 1998 Portia NAYVE ROSSI, demonstrates organic animal farming
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Viet Nam 1996 Do Thuy DIEN, helping her community begin again

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Armenia 2005 Mariam GRIGORYAN, business to encourage rural traditions
Azerbaijan 1996 Sudaba MURADOVA, organizes women's solidarity for survival
Jordan 1997 Najwa Shashah'a, self-confidence, the key
Jordan 1997 Kawkab I.M. AL-GHAMEEN, drastically improves quality of village life
Jordan 1999 Hind AL HADJA, learning by doing
Kuwait 1996 Abab FARHAN, weaves the magic of Bedouin beauty
Lebanon 2000 Anissa NAJJAR, creating the basis for a distinct rural culture
Palestine 2005 Mayrim SHADEED, empowering rural women
Turkey 2010 Nurcan BAYSAL, happiness is part of development
West Bank 1999 Subhiyyeh Kamel ASAD GHANAM, a rural woman activist

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Australia 1998 Georgina LEE CHEU, leads with culture towards self esteem
Fiji Islands 2002 NAVAKASOBU WOMEN'S GROUP, saving a wetland ecosystem
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**Albania**
- 1999 Rape VEIZAJ, teaching life skills
- 2002 Dielle SMARAJ, a helping hand for the rural blind

**Austria**
- 1998 Monika LUGMAYER, a strong advocate for women farmers
- 2000 Ingeborg AUER, an ambassador for women farmers

**Austria**
- 2003 ASS. AUSTRIAN MOUNTAIN FARMERS, reviving village life

**Croatia**
- 1997 Ema MIOCINOVIC, dedicates her life to peace making

**Finland**
- 1996 ALKUVOIMA, their primal force is people

**France**
- 2000 Georgia LAMBERTIN, bringing children closer to the earth
- 2001 Véronique THEVE, working towards sustainable rural life

**France**
- 2006 Josiane MULOWSKI, preserving menaced horses

**Germany**
- 2001 Christa OFF, perseverance pays
- 2002 www.baueurinnentreff.de, an Internet network for rural women worldwide
- 1998 Marthe KILEY-WORTHINGTON, an ecological farmer, teacher and writer

**Greece**
- 1999 Union Agritouristic. Artesanal & Home Economic Coop., unifying for rural development
- 2007 Women’s Cooperative of MESOTOPOS, reviving customs to fight unemployment

**Hungary**
- 2000 Erzsébet SZECSENYI, creating an eco-village

**Ireland**
- 1999 Anita HAYES, saving scarce seed

**Italy**
- 2001 Martina LINTNER, preserving the rural way of life
- 2006 Waltraud SCHWENNBACHER, an explosion of creativity

**Kosovo**
- 2006 Martha PREKPALAJ, learning from living and building with the people

**Latvia**
- 1998 Rasma FREIMANE, runs a dairy farm cooperative
- 1999 Zenta SKRISTINA, beautifying a rural village

**Latvia**
- 2002 Agrita GAILITE, rescuing traditional knowledge of medicinal plants

**N. Ireland**
- 2001 Women On Rural Development, working together for peace and development

**Norway**
- 1998 Anne-Grethe BRUSTAD, an authentic biological farmer
- 2000 Ashild DALE, reviving mountain farming

**Poland**
- 1998 Ewa SMUK, revives village life
- 2005 Barbara BURZYNSKA, grassroots democracy: from political slogans to functioning reality
- 2007 CAPUCHINHAS, reinventing a traditional craft

**Portugal**
- 2008 Group of Women Lace Makers, when busy fingers generate prosperity
- 2000 Mioara BOANTA, enabling women to organise themselves

**Romania**
- 2003 Silvia PANAITE, helps others to help themselves
- 2005 Geta HERDEA, building hope with hands and hammer

**Russian Fed.**
- 1996 Tatjana N. INOZEMTSEVA, innovative farmer, philanthropist & poetess
- 1999 Vera SOLOVIJEVA, adapting to a new rural economy

**Russian Fed.**
- 2002 Nadezhda MIKHAILOVNA MARTINOVA, creating an environmental university

**Russian Fed.**
- 2003 Ossipowa Tatjana VIKTOROWNA, “we can do it”

**Serbia**
- 1997 Dobrila Vasiljevic SMILJANIC, leads rural women to knit for the world
- 1998 El DESPERTAR, with culture to sustainable development

**Spain**
- 1998 Elisabeth AEBERHARD, finding our rural roots

**Switzerland**
- 2001 Christine ZOLLINGER, saving Switzerland’s variety of seeds
- 2002 Urner Wollhandwerk Team, innovative products sustain mountain life

**Switzerland**
- 2002 Johanna DONZ-GILLARDON, farming flowers for prosperity

**Ukraine**
- 1999 Valentina SHAPOVAL, organising for development
- 2000 Natalia BESPALA, helping others achieve success
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Madame, Monsieur, Chers Amis,


Connaissant votre expérience et votre intérêt pour le développement durable, les droits humains, le micro- crédit, l’Élimination de la violence, le renforcement de la capacité d’agir des femmes et la paix, nous apprécierons votre participation à cette initiative et vous remercions d’ores et déjà pour l’envoi de vos nominations. Une dizaine de lauréates seront à nouveau sélectionnée en 2011.

La WWSF est heureuse de vous rappeler que l’Assemblée générale de l’ONU (6 novembre 2007) a déclaré officiellement que le 15 octobre de chaque année serait proclamé et commémoré comme «Journée internationale de la femme rurale» et cela suite à 13 ans de lobby par la WWSF. Cette journée marquera aussi la cérémonie de la remise des prix aux lauréates dans leur pays respectif.

En vous remerciant d’avance pour votre participation, veuillez agréer nos meilleurs voeux pour l’année 2011.

Cordialement votre,
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