Women's World Summit Foundation - WWSF

4 April 2020 edition Newsletter

Elly Pradervand introduces to delegates at the UN Commission on the Status of Women in New York the importance of rural women leaders' visibility around the world to help empower their communities.

Dear Campaign Partners and Friends,

Important information to note!
WWSF is prolonging the nomination deadline for nomination of candidates for the annual WWSF PRIZE FOR WOMEN'S CREATIVITY IN RURAL LIFE to <u>30 May 2020</u> to give you more time to send us your candidates for the 2020 awards. As you know, we have awarded to-date 452 rural women leaders and groups and wish to continue the empowerment of our sisters in rural areas who feed their communities, work to mitigate climate change and thrive for equality and peace.

To find the Nomination Form & Guidelines, here is the link to the <u>English Form.</u> (+ <u>French Form and Guidelines</u>). Follow the instructions, and return the form with the description of your candidate(s) via <u>wwsf@wwsf.ch</u> or in the mail (address below).

Help us continue to award rural women changemakers who cannot do great things in this world, but who do small things every day in their communities with great love.

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We also wish to inform you that our annual GLOBAL IMPACT REPORT of activities during the 19 Days of Activism for prevention of violence against children and youth 1-19 November 2019, is now published online.
We draw your attention to the very inspiring report from Romania, where the FICE foundation mobilized over 1000 schools using the 19 Days campaign Kit. Truly an inspiring example.

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MANIFESTO 2020
Invitation to co-sign the Manifesto!
Moving Forward!
Keeping governments reminded of the unfinished business of the Beijing Promise to Women.
The Manifesto has to-date 43 co-signatures. We invite you to share it with your network and partners to increase the number of organizations that want to change our world for good. Our objective is to send the Manifesto with all signatures to the world leaders' political Forum at the UN in New York in September to remind them that the women of the world are waiting for transformative action. The time is NOW!

To co-sign the Manifesto, read the latest pdf version online with signatures and to send us by email (wdpca@wwsf.ch) your organization's full name in order to add you to the list.

WHY YOUR SIGNATURE COUNTS?
Because only three-quarters of all countries have laws on domestic violence to-date, "... yet 137 women across the world are killed by a member of their own family every day; unpaid care and domestic work are largely shouldered by women everywhere, often at the cost of their career growth and economic participation. While poverty has declined, it remains highly feminized: women aged 25-34 are 25% more likely than men the same age to live in extreme poverty..." (UN Women)

Sincerely yours,
Women's World Summit Foundation Secretariat Team
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About us: The Women's World Summit Foundation (WWSF), created in 1991 in Geneva, Switzerland, as a not-for-profit, humanitarian, international, lay organization for the realization of women's and children's rights, mobilizes via its annual campaigns, round tables, world days and prize awards civil society actors to catalyze increased action for change so that we will reach the Sustainable Development Goals Agenda 2030. Use and share our annual campaign Kits to empower you and others into bold action for change.

"Whatever you can do or dream you can, begin it; Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it."
  - Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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