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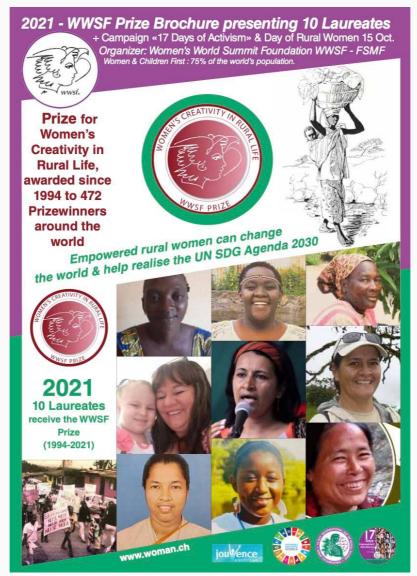
Monthly Updates Meet the ten Laureates receiving the 2021 WWSF "Prize for Women's Creativity in Rural Life"

Dear Partners and Friends,

Today, we share with you a happy occasion in announcing our annual Prizewinners. Read about their creative and courageous work presented in the **2021 Prize Brochure**, also published on our website.

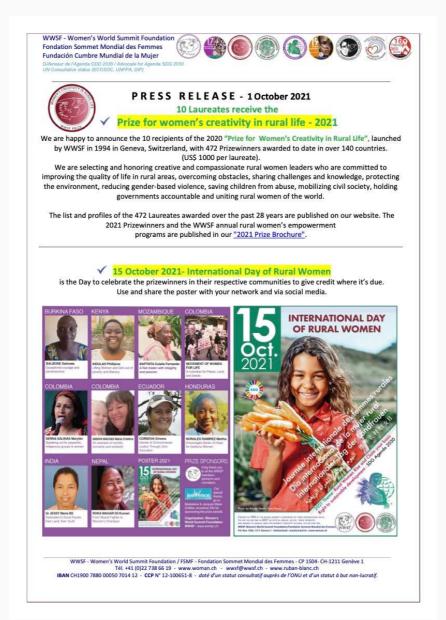
The empowerment of rural women leaders and local rural groups is one of our annual women's rights programs, which include to date **472** laureates honored with an award of US\$ 1000 per laureate (1994-2021). **We congratulate the ten prizewinners** for their creativity, courage, and compassion in a world that is still struggling to recognize rural women's contributions to food security, ending hunger, building peace, reaching the Sustainable Development Goals, and coping with the COVID-19 pandemic. They are true Heroines who deserve our recognition and congratulations.

We also congratulate the prize nominators, who send us yearly candidates from which we select our prizewinners. Their tireless work compiles all the information we need in order for us to make a selection. We thank them for their service to advance humanity.



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Please share the <u>Press Release</u> below with your networks to give visibility to the Laureates working to help create more just and viable rural communities.



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We thank you for sharing our <u>annual poster - 15 October</u> - International Day of Rural Women - to draw attention to their contributions during these challenging times.



"A MESSAGE FROM THE WOMEN'S FORUM ON AFGHANISTAN"

"On 20 September 2021, a number of Afghan women leaders met with global women leaders from Afghanistan, Argentina, Greece, Ireland, Liberia, Nepal, Turkey, Iraq, Libya, Pakistan, Singapore, Somalia, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden, and the United States. The group included a former president, ministers, ambassadors, highlevel UN officials, judges, legislators, journalists, academics, artists, and human rights advocates. Margot Wallström, former Foreign Minister of Sweden, chaired the meeting, which was convened by the Roosevelt House Human Rights Program in collaboration with the Sisterhood is Global Institute and Women for Afghan Women.

The meeting expressed global solidarity with the women of Afghanistan and underscored the interdependence of women's equality and socio-political stability...

Excerpt: Women's rights in Afghanistan

"access to education, employment, political participation, resources, and freedom of movement will be a litmus test for the Taliban and the global community. We remind the UN Security Council of its recognition that gender equality and women's empowerment are critical to international peace and security. These words must be given real meaning in Afghanistan. We call on the Security Council to hold the Taliban accountable for the rights set forth in the Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, to which Afghanistan is a party. While we recognize the reality of the Taliban in power, official recognition should not precede their clear demonstration of respect for women's fundamental rights under international law. A human rights monitoring mechanism should be established by the Human Rights Council. Women are standing up for their rights in Afghanistan and they will not be stopped. We are with them. Link to Full Message.

Source: Afghan-Womens-Forum-Statement-.pdf (Passblue.com)

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About us: 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 UN Sustainable Development Goals Agenda 2030.

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