

Climate equality, diversity and inclusion

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**The Intersection of Women's Rights
& Climate Change**



Women's Rights & Climate Justice

- ▶ Women, particularly those in the Global South, face heightened vulnerability to climate change, especially in the wake of climate-related disasters
- ▶ Climate change impacts the health, wellbeing and economic security of women
- ▶ Despite being the smallest contributors, women in the Global South are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change
- ▶ Despite this vulnerability, they are too often not given voice in key decision-making
- ▶ However, women have a long history of being leaders in the climate movement and have the power to be agents of change



Womankind's Climate Justice Work

- ▶ We support diverse feminist movements, women's rights organisations and activists by:
 - ▶ Funding women-led climate justice advocacy
 - ▶ Spreading awareness of issues facing women in our focus countries
 - ▶ Partnering with women-led climate justice organisations,
 - ▶ Funding women's rights organisations to attend global convenings
 - ▶ Providing emergency response grants in the wake of climate disasters

Photo: Shyleen Momanyi,
Executive Director of Young
Women's Leadership Institute



Feminist Climate Justice Work in Action

CLIMATE-DISASTER RESPONSE

- ▶ Young Women's Leadership Institute & ICA Foundation, Kenya
 - ▶ Women-led emergency response in the wake of catastrophic flooding
 - ▶ Funding to provide safe temporary shelter for affected women and girls
- ▶ National Indigenous Women's Federation, Nepal
 - ▶ Preventing SGBV following the 2023 earthquake

CLIMATE ADVOCACY

- ▶ National Association of Professional Environmentalists (NAPE) & National Association for Women's Action in Development (NAWAD), Uganda
 - ▶ Strengthen the Ugandan ecofeminist movement
 - ▶ Protect women's land rights, encourage land ownership and to advocate for policy change
 - ▶ Urgent action due to East Africa crude oil pipeline

Take Action

- ▶ Support women-led climate organisations and activists
- ▶ Ensure women, especially those from the Global South, are represented in decision-making
- ▶ Fund these organisations with quality long-term, flexible funding



PHOTO: Women protesting with NAWAD in Katatyer Village, Uganda



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Working across diverse sectors for multicultural environmental participation

BEN uses the word 'Black' symbolically, recognising that the **black communities are the most visible of all ethnic groups**. We work with white, black and other ethnic communities

A network of individuals and organisations working for change



**“There is no such thing
as a
purely environmental initiative**

**A so-called
purely environmental initiative
is one that
has rejected
its social, cultural
and
economic dimensions.”**

Judy Ling Wong 1987

C'MON EVERYBODY!



As experts on climate change, many people ask us, what can I do personally about it?

We spoke to our team of scientists at the [Grantham Institute – Climate Change and the Environment](#) at Imperial College London and have created a digital feature to highlight [the most achievable ways you personally can make a difference.](#)

**9 Things you can do about Climate Change
Grantham Institute**



Building Infrastructure for Diversity Equality and Inclusion

Making Inclusive Policy-Making Visible
Strengthening the Policy Position
Representation
Engagement
Provision

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**Just
Transition
Declaration**



**Sensing
Climate**

Key principles for disability inclusion

1. Nothing about us without us,
2. Remove existing barriers,
3. Don't shame or punish us if we can't take the environmental choice.



Just Transition Declaration principles

1. Centring the expertise of disadvantaged communities at every step of the journey,
2. Good future-proof jobs for everyone,
3. Empowering disadvantaged communities to take climate and ecological action,
4. Supporting individual change through system change,
5. Fair distribution of costs and benefits,
6. Prioritising accessible communication,
7. Standing in solidarity with those experiencing the worst climate and ecological impacts across the globe,
8. Building inclusive resilience,
9. Infrastructure for all,
10. Embedding the process internally and at the beginning.

Thank you

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