

# Gender just Solutions Award

The Women and Gender Constituency is very pleased to invite you to participate in the 'Gender Just Climate Solutions Awards' initiative for the upcoming UN climate negotiations (COP22) in Marrakech!

The Women and Gender Constituency of UNFCCC and other women, gender and human rights advocates have been actively pushing world leaders to ensure a just outcome, one which works for people and the planet, and which responds to injustice among and within countries in relation to climate impacts and resilience. We know the solutions to a more sustainable future already exist- and it's time to showcase them far and wide, and demand change.

After the Paris Agreement and as world leaders meet at COP22 this November, we must act to highlight the importance of gender equality, women rights and women's contribution to climate solutions.

The **Gender Just Climate Solutions Award** will make gender responsive and equitable solutions visible at the "COP of action", the COP22 in Marrakech and central to just climate action all over the world!

### WE WANT YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

We are asking you to describe your women & gender initiative for climate solutions, in one of three categories:

- **Technical climate solutions** with a women or gender perspective (e.g. in area of renewables, water-saving adaptation technologies etc.)
- **Non-technical climate solutions** with a women or gender perspective (e.g. in area of efficiency, consumption changes etc.)
- **Transformation climate initiatives** with a women or gender perspective (e.g. addressing governance, institutional change, planning processes etc.)

The 3 award winners, each per category, receive 1000 Euros as award and will be showcased at the Gender Just Climate Solutions Exhibition at the UNFCCC negotiations in COP 22 in Marrakech, Morocco. Additionally, the winners will benefit from a 1-year-mentoring programme of the Women and Gender Constituency. 10 nominees per category will be published in the Gender Just Climate Solutions Publication.







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#### **Details for Submission**

The 2016 COP22 Morocco Climate Conference will decide on a critical set of actions to advance implementation of the Paris Agreement.

Three initiatives will receive the COP22 **Gender Just Climate Solutions Award**. The award comprises three different components for climate mitigation and adaptation:

- 1. Technical climate solutions
- 2. Non-technical climate solutions
- 3. Transformation climate initiatives

## Deadline: Sunday, 4 September 2016; midnight CEST

**Eligibility:** All types of activist, grassroots and women-led organizations and groups working on climate protection are encouraged to apply. Only non-governmental initiatives are eligible (local or national government initiatives cannot be considered). The activity/initiative should either already have been completed or should be in current operation. The initiative must fit within one of the 3 award categories (*above*).

**Award criteria:** Initiatives submitted will be judged by an international jury with members of the Women and Gender Constituency in regard to following criteria (*projects will be scored 0 (inadequate) to 5 (excellent)*). Due to existing inequalities and a lack of available resources globally, priority will be given to women-led initiatives, recognizing that programmes do not necessarily need to be women-led to be gender just.

#### Criteria for Gender-Just Solutions:

- Ensures sufficiency and a low input of resources
- Contributes to climate change mitigation, emissions reduction and/or climate adaptation
- Decentralized, safe, appropriate, affordable, sustainable
- Results can be shared, spread and up scaled not just benefitting one individual
- Shows inter-linkages to peace building, resource constraints, health - does not increase conflict potential

- Equal access to benefits/equal benefits, women in value chain
- Does not add additional burden to women's workload
- Empowers women through e.g. reduced workload and costs, better accessibility, enhanced livelihood security, enhanced food security, improved health as many benefits as possible, "multiple benefits"
- Ensures decision making by local women and men, women's groups, cooperatives and communities
- Promotes women's democratic rights and the participation of women in all areas of decision making

### **APPLY HERE:**

https://goo.gl/oJrzlL

By 4 September 2016

For questions, email awards@genderjustclimatesolutions.wecf.eu

## **Important dates**

**4 September 2016**: Deadline for submission **4 October 2016**: Announcement of the 3 winners **7-18 November 2016**: Showcasing solutions at the UNFCCC COP 22