

CSW66- Commission on Women - NGO CSW Webinar - 17th March 2022

- **Issue and Matter of Discussion: Economic rights and Justice Conversation Circle for Girls**

Aim: Inform, educate and empower women about their economic rights. CSW calls for global redistribution but also reparation of both resources and power.

Host: Emilia Reyes and Laura Moncada

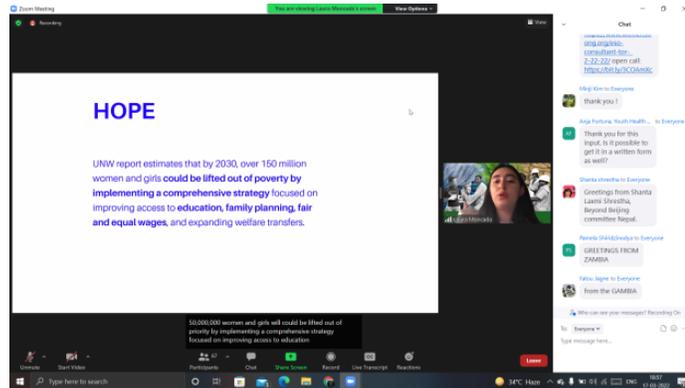
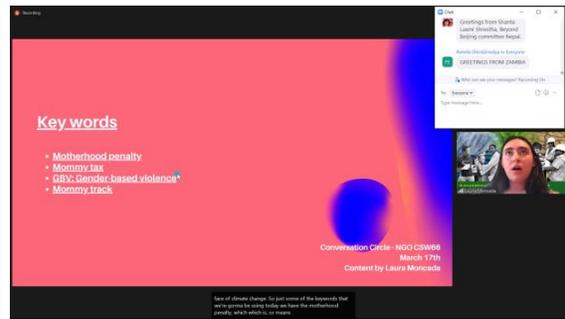
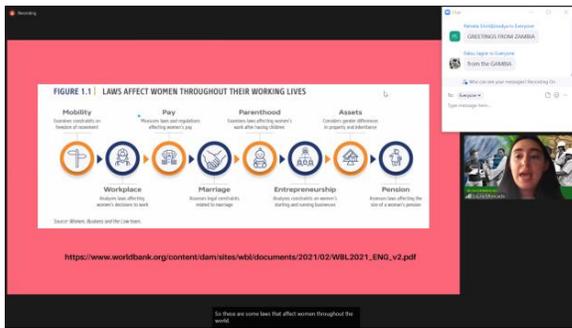
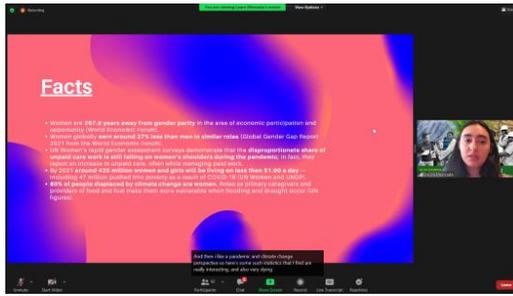
Introduction: Emilia started the conference by explaining her background which contained of a pie chart. It is the scheme of the way economies work from a feminist. The pie-chart is the non-monetized value that is produced by women in unpaid domestic and care work. Women not only care for life procuring but also an integral part of economy. This macro perspective that the feminists are adding to the discussion is not just the narrow economic orthodoxy that is just limiting to the produced segments in the market which is mostly masculine labor force. **It is known that 60% of the informal labor comprises of women adding extra pressure for access to help, care, nourish and sanitation. It also exposes women to extreme violence and insecurity.**



Laura's Presentation:

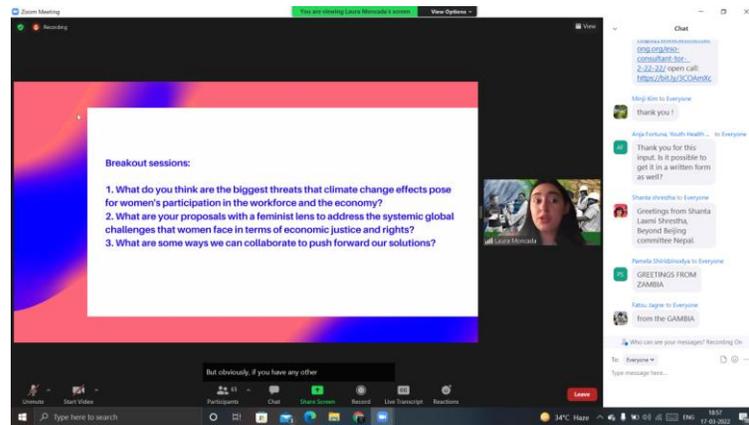
- **Important aspects of the presentation:** EQUALITY is not a local or cultural issue its national issue. Gender equality is a macro issue it's a global challenge and has to be dealt with national polices but also with regional views and with global and redistribution of power. There is a need of sexual division of labor at global level moreover whatever is related to environment has deep correlation with economic agendas. 80 percent of people displaced by climate change are women.
- **FEMINIZATION POVERTY CYCLE:** This is a cycle a girl or a woman has to go through ever since she is raised as a girl to become a mother to apply for jobs after losing a job while getting married and having children. These challenges just increase line for them to end

up in a dangerous poverty cycle. COVID 19 has increased gender risk, responsibilities at home then cultural issues like female general mutilation.



Breakout Rooms: The participants were then divided into various breakout rooms. They were provided with three questions to discuss. The questions were as follows:

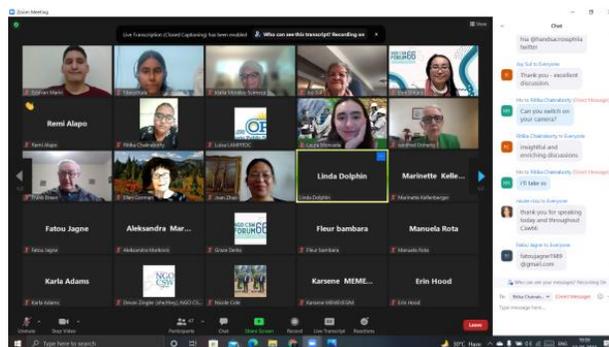
1. What do you think are the biggest threats that climate change effects pose for women's participation in the workforce and the economy?
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3. What are some ways we can collaborate to push forward our solutions?



Breakout group 11: There were three people from different parts of the globe - **Canada, Switzerland and India**. People expressed their own issues from their own countries. Joy Sul and Marinette Kellenberger expressed about how their country has tackled the COVID situation and shared their views on the above-mentioned questions. Ultimately, we agreed on the common takeaways from the discussion that unpaid labor and education is one of the biggest threats that climate change effects pose for women's participation in the workforce and the economy. The technology growth during COVID has also helped the women to empower themselves and women need to have a seat at the table of decision making.

BREAKOUT GROUP 9: There were 4 people from across the globe Africa, Nepal, America and India. It was an insightful and enriching conversation. FATOU JAGNE was in our group she shared her personal experience of her being trafficked. She told her journey how she evolved as an Activist. We shared our opinions over the questions like Equal pay for equal jobs, Education and awareness; eliminate unemployment and underemployed, lack of sanitation.

Conclusion: It is important even to substantially promote comprehensive environmental policies to address climate change but also adaptation and maintain environmental integrity. As more than 80 percent of women are indigenous and actually practice sustainable way to engage with surrounding and society. It is time to INFORM, EDUCATE AND EMPOWER. Women about their economic rights and be LEADERS OF CHANGE and Decision Makers.



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