

PROPOSALS for the UN General Assembly's Open Working Group (OWG) on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 13th Session, July 2014



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A: WATER

ADD to existing target 5.6. of Goal 6 “...**Gender responsive** water resources management, **including all stakeholders including local communities...**”

ADD to Goal 5. New target 5.1: **Ensure by 2020 full inclusion of women, including local and pastoralist women, in decision making on water issues, and aiming at gender parity (with min 30%) in water management boards**

B: ENERGY

Add to existing target 7.4 Goal 7. “...**sustainable, clean and efficient lighting and cooking technologies for household and local communities**”

Add to existing target 7.5 Goal 7,. “ .. phasing out fossil fuel subsidies **after having increased access to affordable and clean energy for households and local communities**

C: CHEMICALS

Women's health is differently impacted by hazardous chemicals, waste and heavy metals, this needs to be reflected in the SDGs. Many women are farmers and using (forbidden) pesticides often without information and protection.

Add to existing target 2.5 of Goal 2 on Food: “by 2030, develop food systems that are more productive, sustainable, resilient and efficient, and minimize adverse human and environmental impacts without compromising food and nutrition security, **including by eliminating use of highly hazardous pesticides.**”

Add to existing target 3.9 of Goal 3 on health; “by 2030 **eliminate preventable** ~~erease by x%~~ ~~the number of~~ deaths and illnesses from **chemicals**, indoor and outdoor air pollution **and other forms of environmental degradation, with a focus on children, women and other groups at higher risk.**

Add new MOI target to Goal 3 Health: 3.10 **Generate and provide global access to a standard data set for information on cancer, hormone (endocrine) disruption, reproductive toxicity, and other health risks of all substances used in industrial processes and agriculture by 2020**

Add to Goal 5: by 2030 have eliminated and substituted with safe alternatives use of all chemicals with carcinogenic, repro-toxic, mutagenic and hormone disrupting effects with specific focus on eliminating exposure of women

Add to existing target 12.4, Goal 12 on SCP: ~~promote~~ **ensure** sound management of chemicals and hazardous waste and of their differentiated impacts in women and men health by 2020 and beyond in accordance with agreed international frameworks and by 2030 significantly reducing the releases of chemicals and hazardous wastes to the environment air, water and soil **and ensure substitution with safer alternatives**

D: MEANS OF IMPLEMENTATION

Goal 17.17: From 17.17: **Secure and** increase financial resources and services across all sectors to achieve gender equality, empowerment of women, and the realization and enjoyment of women's and girls' human rights

Add to goal 17 and/or 5: Establish (a) **global gender facility** and other regional or national gender funds by 2016 to support the implementation of gender related goals and targets of the SDG agenda, including criteria to ensure not less than x% reaches the local implementation level.

Add to goal 17 and/or 5: **Implement by 2020 gender-budgeting in public financial management** , to ensure that entire public finance management system is gender responsive from budget allocation, to revenue generation/tax collection to financial audits.

Add to goal 17 and/or 5: A certain amount (x%) of ODA should go to implementation of the gender and women's empowerment stand-alone goal and other gender and women-related targets in other goals as off 2016.

Add to goal 17 and/or 5: As off 2015 ensure financial and other support for women's and feminists groups and organisations to contribute to achieving gender equality and women and girls' human rights

Add to goal 17 and/or 5: **Implement by 2020 full Social-Gender-Environmental assessments, monitoring and evaluation - prior, throughout and afterwards – on the impact of decision making and take corrective action to prevent discriminatory and other harmful impacts**