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GENDER LENS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

TARGET GROUP

- Youth Workers in the field of Gender and Climate Action
- Youth interested in the topic of Gender and Climate Action

The target group includes youth workers and young people interested in gender and climate action because they are key actors in promoting gender equity in the response to climate change, facilitating youth participation and leadership in their communities.

TIME: 4 HOURS

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVE

- **To provide participants with fundamental knowledge about climate change and its impacts:** Explain the basic concepts of climate change, including the natural and anthropogenic (human) causes that contribute to global warming and other related phenomena.
- **To engage participants in interactive and practical activities to deepen their understanding of climate change concepts:** Facilitate dynamic activities such as simulations, case studies and debates, which enable participants to apply theoretical knowledge to real situations and develop practical skills.
- **To make participants understand the impact of climate change on youth work and gender domain:** Identify and develop strategies to empower young people, especially women and girls, to actively participate in climate action and decision-making related to climate change adaptation and mitigation.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Laptop or computer with presentation software
- Projector and screen or large monitor for displaying slides.
- Flipchart paper and markers
- Whiteboard with markers or chalk.
- Sticky notes and pens for participants
- Handouts for group work for participants (Annex II)





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RESOURCES

- [R1 - UNDP Linkages Gender and CC Policy Brief](#)
- [R2 - Women and Climate Change - Factsheet](#)
- [R3 - Gender Responsive Climate Finance \(video\)](#)
- [R4 - Gender and Climate Change: 3 Things You should Know](#)
- [R5 - 5 Facts About Gender Equality and Climate Change](#)

STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR FACILITATOR/TRAINER

A. BACKGROUND INFORMATION (60 MINUTES)

Introduction (10 minutes)

- The Trainer & Facilitator welcomes participants to the workshop.
- The Trainer & Facilitator briefly introduces the objectives and agenda for the session.

Icebreaker Activity 'Circle of Impact': (10 minutes)

- Participants sit in a circle with cards representing different roles (e.g. woman farmer, young activist).
- The facilitator describes various impacts of climate change, and participants move to the centre of the circle if they believe their role would be significantly affected.
- They then discuss how these impacts influence each role and what solutions could be implemented.

See **Annex 2** for the details and explanations

Theoretical Information (40 minutes)

- Interactive Presentation: Fundamentals of climate change and gender relations. Covered Topics:
 - Key Definitions: Gender, Climate Change, Gender Perspective.
 - Differential impacts of climate change on men and women.
 - Gender roles in adaptation and mitigation efforts. - Real-life examples and statistics.
- Provide a deep understanding of how climate change affects men and women differently. Explore how gender inequalities can influence climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies.

See **Annex 1** for the details and explanations





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B. GROUP WORK (120 MINUTES)

Introduction to Group Work Activity (10 minutes)

- The trainer & Facilitator explains the purpose and objectives of the group work activity, emphasizing its relevance to youth work and climate change.
- The trainer & Facilitator provides instructions and guidelines for participation, highlighting the importance of considering the unique needs, perspectives, and aspirations of young people.

Group Dynamics: Discussion on climate change adaptation strategies from a gender perspective (50 minutes)

- Steps:
 - Preparation: Divide participants into two groups (Group A and Group B).
 - Research and Preparation: Groups discuss assigned strategies.
 - Debate: Arguments for and against strategies.
 - Reflection and Conclusions: Reflection on learnings and identified agreements/disagreements.
 - Encourage critical reflection and idea exchange on addressing climate change from a gender perspective. Promote collaboration and teamwork.

Case Study: Impact of Climate Change on Women Farmers in North-Eastern Ghana

- Presentation of the Case:
 - Briefly explain the context of the case study. Highlight how women in northeastern Ghana face specific challenges due to extreme weather events such as droughts and floods, and how their role in subsistence agriculture makes them particularly vulnerable.
- Aim of the Activity:
 - Indicates that the objective is to analyse how climate change affects women and men differentially and discuss how to integrate a gender perspective into adaptation strategies.

See **Annex 3** for the details and explanations





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C. CLOSING AND REMARKS (60 MINUTES)

Evaluation and Discussion (30 minutes)

- Questionnaire: Collect the 3 most important concepts learned during the session. Group Discussion: Joint reflection on main ideas and learnings.

Action and Implementation (15 minutes)

- Personal or Collective Action Plan: Development of an action plan on integrating a gender perspective in climate-related projects. Sharing Plans: Space to share and receive feedback on action plans.

Closing and Additional Resources (15 minutes)

- Provide Additional Materials: Offer additional resources for reading and continued learning. Final Commitment: Ask participants to commit to a specific action to apply what they have learned.

Annexes

Annex 1: Gender Lens on Climate Change - presentation

Annex 2: Icebreaker Activity 'Circle of Impact'

Annex 3: Case Study: Impact of Climate Change on Women Farmers in Northeast Ghana

Annex 4: Women and Climate Change: A Case Study from Northeast Ghana

<https://www.jstor.org/stable/41328879>

Annex 5: Evaluation and Discussion

Annex 6: Action and Implementation

Additional Resources

Masterclass: A rights-based approach to gender and climate change (Cambodia)

<https://wrd.unwomen.org/practice/resources/masterclass-rights-based-approach-gender-and-climate-change-cambodia>

