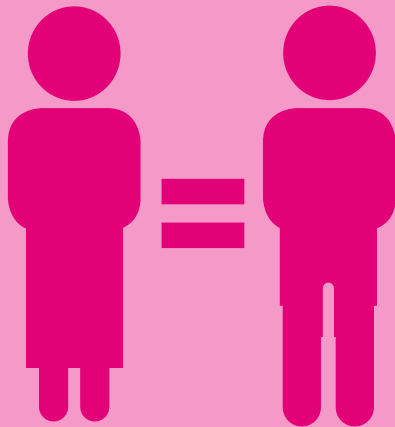


84 NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
SUPPORTED TO
EMPOWER WOMEN

PROGRAMMES
IN **52**
COUNTRIES
AROUND THE
GLOBE

OVER
1.6
MILLION
PEOPLE
REACHED
THROUGH
PROGRAMMES
IN 2013



2013 RESULTS

LAUNCH OF
US
\$18.2
MILLION IN
NEW
INITIATIVES

246 WOMEN
BENEFICIARIES
RAN FOR POLITICAL OFFICE

327
POLICY
RECOMMENDATIONS
ADVANCED

Gender equality is possible. It is happening right now. Through women's organizations and government entities, in partnerships and coalitions, UN Women's Fund for Gender Equality is bringing about real changes in lives and communities all around the world. It is empowering women to exercise their voices and influence in all decisions at all levels, and to shape the economic markets around them.

More than ever, women are taking their place as equal members of their societies and leading the development of their countries.

The Fund for Gender Equality is one of the world's leading grant-making funds for women's equality.

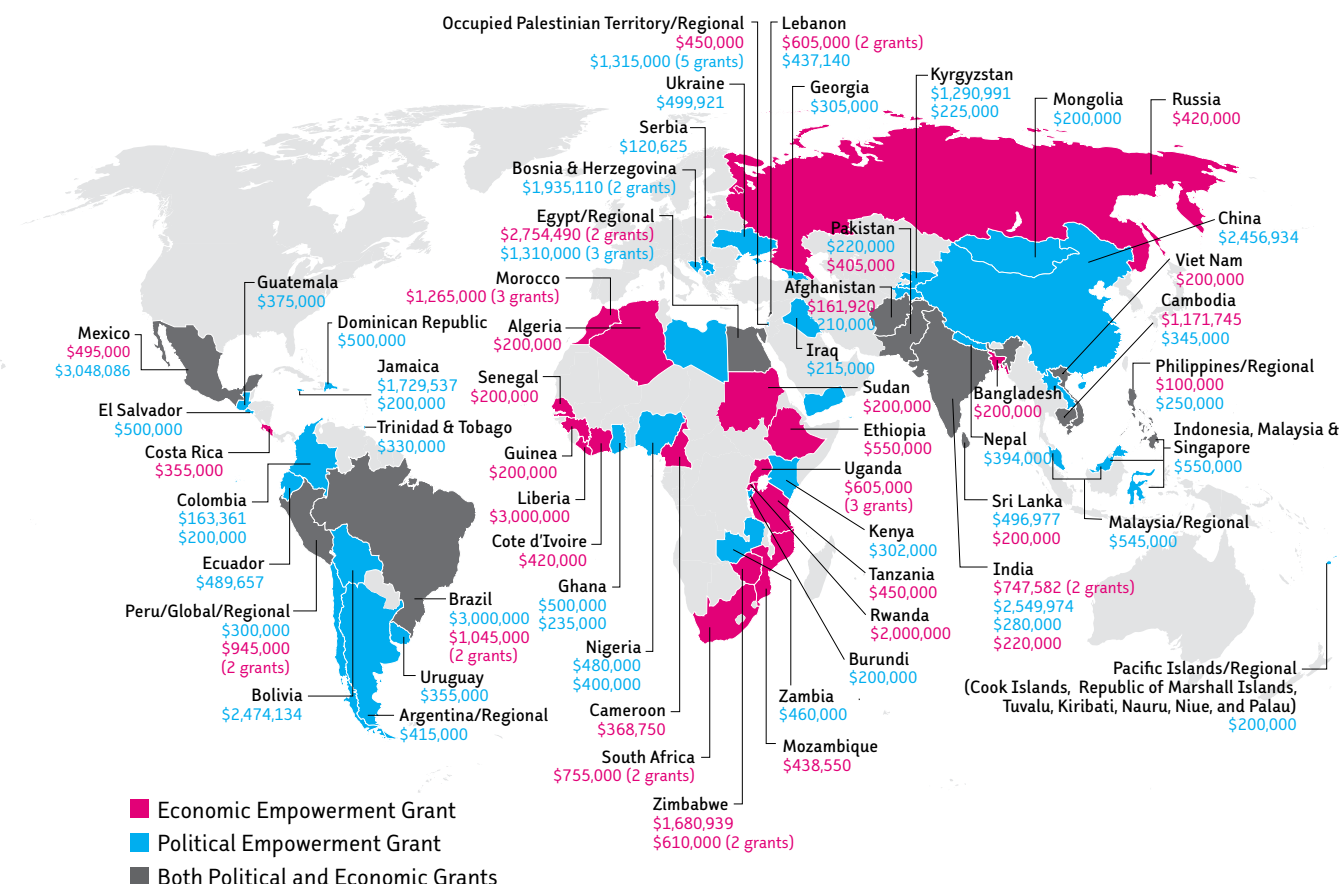
It is working for results in women's economic and political empowerment. It provides large, multi-year investments to encourage long-term planning and effective partnerships. Its support is aligned with the existing priorities of the full range of national and regional partners.

The Fund is a responsive vehicle for supporting national gender advocates. It is known around the world for high impact results benefitting diverse groups of girls and boys, women and men, and the communities they live in.

The Fund has invested US \$56.5 million in 96 grantee programmes in 72 countries, reaching over 9.4 million people to date.

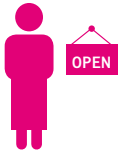
In 2013 alone, the Fund directly impacted over 1.6 million beneficiaries: improving women's social protections and working conditions; enhancing business skills and opportunities; strengthening political participation and leadership; and supporting gender-responsive legislative and policy changes. This was achieved through 69 active programmes in 52 countries totaling US \$46.5M in investments, including 30 economic empowerment and 39 political empowerment programmes.

FUND FOR GENDER EQUALITY – OVERALL PROGRAMME PORTFOLIO 2009-2013



Women's Economic Empowerment

Work to advance economic empowerment includes the following three areas: fostering entrepreneurship, supporting rural women to access and control resources and assets, and ensuring decent work and social protection.



Fostering Entrepreneurship

Snapshot: Over 400,000 women and girls worldwide were trained in business and financial management, livestock and agricultural technologies, and strategies to strengthen market participation.

ETHIOPIA

Union of Ethiopian Women's Charitable Associations, UEWCA

1,000 women living in extreme poverty launched new income generation activities following a five-day training on livelihood and business skills, and together they saved 38,750 ETB (about US \$2,143) of total earnings.

ZIMBABWE

Basilwizi Trust

240 rural Binga women launched income generation activities as a result of direct trainings on gender equality, sustainable agriculture practices, and markets skills.

BANGLADESH

Bolipara Nari Kalyan Somity, BNKS

925 rural women farmers attended 32 trainings on livestock and agriculture cultivation and business development skills, with 22 percent (204) launching new rural livelihoods businesses.

LEBANON

Amel Association

504 rural Lebanese and conflict-displaced refugee women from Sudan, Iraq, and Syria received training on gender equality and business management skills, doubling the number of beneficiaries trained due to high demand for these skills.



Supporting Rural Women to Access and Control Resources and Assets

Snapshot: Over 200,000 rural collectives were organized, supporting income generation, savings, and microcredit opportunities for over 500,000 rural women and girls worldwide.

GUINEA

Partenariat Recherches Environnement Médias, PREM

Over 750 rural women and men experiencing insecure livelihoods as a result of climate change were sensitized on gender equality and trained on environmental management and sustainability practices in nature-based livelihood activities.

PAKISTAN**Thardeep Rural Development Programme**

Over 500 rural home-based women crafts producers sold their products at urban markets for the first time as a result of collective business development training and support from a self-organized coalition of CSOs dedicated to securing market access for rural home-based workers at the district level.

CÔTE D'IVOIRE**Organisation Nationale pour l'Enfant, la Femme et la Famille, ONEF**

In partnership with the Department of Agriculture, feedback from 3,000 rural women farmers will be used to produce a national-level agricultural calendar that reflects changes in planting and harvest seasons as a result of climate change.

COLOMBIA**Organización de los Pueblos y Autoridades Indígenas de la Amazonía Colombiana, OPIAC**

15 indigenous women leaders from different communities in the Amazon attended a national level review conference on indigenous land policies, establishing alliances with national and regional partners to secure control over rural indigenous lands and access to rural natural resources.



Ensuring Decent Work and Social Protection

Snapshot: Over 100,000 women gained access to social protection, including direct health and HIV/AIDS services, national identification cards, housing, worker protections, and disability benefits.

VIET NAM**Institute for Development and Community Health, LIGHT**

1,000 women rural-to-urban migrants were registered for health benefits, and 10,000 received training on business-skills, employment opportunities, and workplace safety.

COSTA RICA**Cooperativa Autogestionaria de Servicios Profesionales Multidisciplinarios de Responsabilidad Limitada Sulá Batsú R.L.**

Working with technical universities, software and engineering programmes, and the national Ministry of Technology, this programme raises awareness of gender inequality and creates more educational and professional opportunities for over 400 women in ICT and other STEM industries.

MOROCCO**National Institution for Solidarity with Women in Difficulty, INSAF**

380 single mothers were trained on gender equality and social protection services, and over 1,000 institutional professionals were sensitized on the rights of single mothers to increase their access to social protection services and benefits.

UGANDA**Shelter and Settlements Alternatives: Uganda Human Settlements Network**

By working to secure safe and affordable urban housing for over 1,300 low-income women in Kampala and Jinja, this initiative is registering land and housing titles, conducting training on land and renters rights, and organizing over 12 Community Watch Groups to resolve illegal housing and land eviction cases for local women.

Women's Political Empowerment

Work to advance political empowerment includes the following three areas: catalyzing legislative and policy change, engaging women in electoral politics, and expanding and strengthening women's leadership.



Catalyzing Legislative and Policy Change

Snapshot: 327 policy recommendations were advanced, including adoption of 25 gender responsive budgeting mechanisms.

EGYPT,
REGIONAL

Karama

A multi-country programme in the Arab States organized national coalitions in Yemen, Libya, and Egypt with over 65 civil society leaders. Together they advanced over 100 policy recommendations to national-level bodies, including adoption of a 30 percent minimum quota in Yemen for women in all levels of public office and leadership positions in early 2014, and a minimum six women (10% quota) in Libya's Constitutional Assembly in charge of drafting the country's new Constitution.

INDIA

Jan Sahas Social Development Society

Advocacy efforts led to the passage of the *Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Their Rehabilitation* Bill by the Indian Parliament in September 2013, which will improve livelihoods for manual scavengers (who manually remove human waste), most of whom are marginalized Dalit women, across the country.

BOSNIA AND
HERZEGOVINA

Gender Centre of the FBiH & SNV Netherlands Development Organisation in BiH

Successful adoption of six gender action plans at the municipal level, and implementation of 14 municipal-level gender equality projects which also received unexpected co-funding from local governments, resulting in 200 new jobs for low-income women.

ARGENTINA,
REGIONAL

Fundación Fondo de Mujeres del Sur & Fondo Alquimia

A multi-country programme in Latin America and the Caribbean pushed for ratification of the ILO Convention 189 on Decent Work for Domestic Workers in Argentina this year, and secured national-level commitments to accelerate the ratification process in Chile.



Expanding and Strengthening Women's Leadership

Snapshot: Over 10,000 peer networks and 5,000 intergenerational partnerships were organized, mobilizing over 50,000 new young women leaders.

TANZANIA

Kilimanjaro Women Information Exchange and Consultancy Organization, KWIECO

To ensure that the national government's constitutional review process includes gender equality measures, recommendations developed with over 1,000 rural women will be submitted for national review during a 90-day draft constitutional review process.

PALESTINE**Association of Women Committees for Social Work, AWCSW**

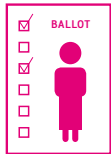
As members of 13 sub-national political action committees, 200 elected women officials, community leaders, young women activists, and other members proposed ten gender equality action plans to local government forums and helped to resolve six community disputes.

CAMBODIA**SILAKA**

Through the creation of peer networks and intergenerational partnerships in six provinces, 50 women district leaders, 40 young women activists, and 28 national-level allies have been mobilized to increase women's leadership and participation in civic life.

KYRGYZSTAN**Central Asian Alliance for Water, CAAW**

Over 700 rural women and 100 young women trained on gender equality and political rights with regard to water management in 20 rural villages, including leadership training resulting in 18 women elected to local Parliaments and local water user unions.



Engaging Women in Electoral Politics

Snapshot: 246 women ran for political office, and over 150,000 women were mobilized to vote in political elections.

GUATEMALA**Asociación de Mujeres Junajil & Asociación Programa de Gestión Ambiental Local**

6,850 rural and indigenous women were registered for national identification cards and registered to vote, and women's leadership in four community-level development councils have increased 20 percent since the programme's launch.

ZAMBIA**Women and Law in Southern Africa Research and Educational Trust, Zambia Office, WLSA**

Over 3,000 women participated in live radio talk shows to discuss gender equality in political issues, women voting, and women candidates actively campaigning in the area.

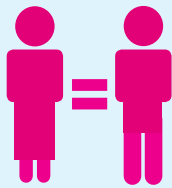
MONGOLIA**Liberal Emegteichuudiin Oyunii San, LEOS**

A coalition of 14 civil society organizations canvassed over 9,200 women voters and 2,100 potential political candidates in preparation for the forthcoming 2016 national elections, where it plans to enforce the country's 20 percent minimum quota for women-held political seats.

MEXICO**Equidad de Genero: Ciudadania, Trabajo, y Familia**

6,000 indigenous, rural, and young women were trained on political participation, a 300 percent increase above the 1,700 women targeted. In four state elections during 2013, women beneficiaries won 250 percent more municipal-level presidential seats and 100 percent more congressional seats than in 2012.

The Fund for Gender Equality works for a world in which women and men, girls and boys, work together to reach their full potential, realize their rights, and build enabling environments to pave the way towards gender equality for all.



Join us by contributing to UN Women's Fund for Gender Equality.

To donate, please contact FGE at:
fund.genderequality@unwomen.org

www.unwomen.org/fge

 **UN WOMEN**  **FUND FOR GENDER EQUALITY**

220 East 42nd Street
New York, NY 10017