

TOGETHER WITH #FRIDAYSFORFUTURE TO THE STREETS! CLIMATE STRIKE ON SEPTEMBER 20TH

#FridaysForFuture calls everyone to take part in a global climate strike to support the students' efforts to build a broader climate movement and demand world politicians to take serious actions on the climate crisis.

GenderCC–Women for Climate Justice supports #FridaysForFuture, calling for a feminist strike based on the following:

THERE IS NO CLIMATE JUSTICE WITHOUT GENDER JUSTICE!

Climate change is gendered!

The patriarchal capitalist system, which is directly responsible for climate change, commodifies nature the same way it neglects and undervalues the unpaid care economy, still mostly in the hands of women. Unequal access to resources, opportunities and services hinder women's resilience and power to respond to the climate crisis. It is no coincidence that climate deniers are often anti-feminists.

Gender is not the only mark of oppression under the capitalist system!

Unequal and racialized relations, between the Global North and the Global South and within countries, place certain populations in disadvantaged positions to cope with climate change effects. Historically underprivileged groups such as LGBTIQ, people with disabilities, migrants/refugees or the elderly and youth are disproportionately affected by climate change. No transformative system change can be achieved without their views and solutions!

The ability to strike is gendered and intersectional!

Women and underprivileged populations are in disadvantage to participate in the strike due to economic and social restrictions (e.g. sole mothers, people in precarious work) which hinder their ability to withdraw from work and care obligations. Care work cannot be postponed or abandoned, for which it can only be transferred, many times to other women from the Global South, which restricts their ability to strike.

WE DEMAND

Gender-just solutions for the climate crisis!

We require a gender-just transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy. Furthermore, we ask for a cease of unsustainable ways of production and consumption, now! The burden and costs of water and food waste should not be passed on to households and care workers! We also call governments to make industries accountable, and to provide people with accessible and gender-responsive information, infrastructure and public services, such as energy and transport!

WE CALL

People of all genders, races, ages, physical conditions, religions and identities for a paid work, unpaid care work and student strike: join the feminist intersectional block on September 20th!

Women and care workers who cannot strike due to their work or social situation, support the strike through your social media with the #womenforclimatestrike hashtag.