

Annual Report 2021/2022 and Planning 2022/2023

Membership, Governance and International Secretariat

Compared to last year, GenderCC's member base has continued to grow and currently encompasses 168 members. This includes 55 individuals from the global south and 71 from the global north, 34 organisations from the global south and 8 organisations from the global north.

The GenderCC **Board of Directors** is currently (as of December 2022) made up of:

Dorah Marema, South Africa, Chair
Patricia Glazebrook, USA, Vice Chair
Gotelind Alber, Germany, Treasurer
Birte Rodenberg, Germany
Olfa Jelassi, Tunisia
Shaila Shahid, Bangladesh.

The **Steering Committee members** were selected in 2017 based on their applications and experiences with the GenderCC network. Afterwards all members were asked for their approval via email. The group was approved without any objections by all members. The Steering Committee has resumed work at the beginning of 2017. The expansion of the Steering Committee is possible on a continuous basis, and thus, since 2017, additional members have joined the Steering Committee.

It is currently (as of December 2022) composed of the following persons:

Eunice Warue , Kenya
Ewa Larsson, Sweden
Minu Hemmati, Germany
Nicky Broeckhoven, Belgium
Olfa Jelassi (Tunisia)
Sharmind Neelormi, Bangladesh
Usha Nair, India
Yvette Abrahams, South Africa

The Steering Committee provides the main leadership for the network. Its tasks include

- Developing and safeguarding GenderCC’s mission statement, policies, strategic plans, etc.
- Leading the monitoring and evaluation of network activities
- Recruiting and mobilise new network members
- Identify funding and partnership opportunities for GenderCC in their various regions
- Overseeing the work of GenderCC
- Representing GenderCC network externally
- Developing circles of women and organisations in various world regions to participate in discussions and development of perspectives on gender and climate change

The **International Secretariat** is currently set up of Gotelind Alber (Board member and project manager), Farina Hoffmann (project coordinator), Sarah Louis Montgomery (finance and project coordinator) and Ulrike Röhr (researcher). Isadora Cardoso (project coordinator), Vera Dickhoff and Zhyldyz Imanalieva (student assistants) and Aditi von Surie Czechowski (project coordinator) left the team in 2021. The Secretariat hosted Elena Georgiadi as an intern in 2022 and is currently hosting Tau Samper as an intern as well as the Humboldt research fellow Shirin Choudary (India).

GenderCC’s Activities in 2021/2022

GenderCC is administered by the International Secretariat located in Berlin, Germany. The main channels for communication with the public are GenderCC’s website, facebook page, as well as our regular newsletters. As of November 2021, GenderCC published in total five **newsletters** in 2021 & 2022. An additional edition will be published in December 2022. Currently, 1,252 persons are subscribed to the newsletter. In addition, updates on GenderCC activities, current UNFCCC developments, publications and events related to gender and climate change are regularly posted on the GenderCC website and social media networks.

The Secretariat is actively posting in its **LinkedIn group** and **page** which has 1,067 followers. The group is focused on gender and climate change researchers, and everybody who is active in this field is invited to join. Comments are welcome!

The facebook page has 1,721 followers, and on Instagram we have 841 followers. Follow and share us @GenderCC!

GenderCC has continued its **international advocacy work in the UNFCCC process**. We were represented at COP27 in Sharm-El-Sheikh, Egypt, in November 2022 with a delegation of fifteen people per week, encompassing staff members of the International Secretariat, GenderCC members and partners from our broader network. As we have done in the past years, GenderCC was actively involved within the Women and Gender Constituency and followed the daily caucus meetings.

During the first week of COP27, GenderCC co-organised a well-attended Side Event at the Blue Zone at the EUROCLIMA+ Pavilion on “¡No sin nosotras - not without us!” together with WECF. With a focus on Abya Yala (Indigenous chosen name for South America) the event touched on how just transition needs to be rooted in gender justice. The second Side Event at the Blue Zone took place on Saturday, Nov. 12th with the title “Putting people and real solutions at the heart of climate action” stating that climate action is transformative if grounded in human rights and locally led. The event was organized with IBON International Foundation Inc., Community Economics and Development Consultants Society (CECOEDECON), Environnement et Developpement du Tiers-Monde (ENDA-TM), and LIFE e.V.

GenderCC has continued to engage in **Germany-wide advocacy work** in 2021/2022 through various means. As a member of the major German civil society alliance “[Klima-Allianz](#)” (Climate Alliance), GenderCC attended meetings of the Klima-Allianz, contributed to position papers and participated in lobbying activities. GenderCC has engaged in creating a specific gender working group within the membership base of Climate Alliance.

Projects

Gender into Urban Climate Change Initiative (GUCCI)

The project **Gender into Urban Climate Change Initiative (GUCCI)** has ended in March 2022 after two expansions and extensions.

GenderCC has compiled and analysed the learnings, challenges and success stories of the project throughout the years, especially in the implementation of the methodology. This systematisation is now publicly available through the ‘GAMMA-Booklet’, a handbook on practical steps to implement the projects approach ‘Gender Assessment and Monitoring of Mitigation and Adaptation’ (GAMMA), the launching of a virtual e-learning platform, and the final project report, including its evaluation. The GAMMA booklet and all other project results (recommendations to local and national governments, videos, e-learning tool and more) are now available the [project website](#) and a dedicated [GAMMA web site](#).

The final conference of the project has successfully taken place virtually on March 10th 2022 with more than 60 participants.

This was not only the longest, but also the most ambitious project we ever had, and we would like to thank our partner organisations All India Women’s Conference in India, Aksi! For gender, social and ecological justice and Solidaritas Perempuan in Indonesia, Equidad de género, ciudadanía, trabajo y familia in Mexico and GenderCC Southern Africa in South Africa for the trustful, reliable and fruitful collaboration.

Not without us! Climate justice and gender justice in international climate politics (NwU!)

Together with our long-standing member and partner organisation in Germany, LIFE e.V., GenderCC continued the implementation of the sixth-year of the project which is supported by the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation with funds of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The project team is currently made of eight feminist climate activists from around the world: Dinda working with Solidaritas Perempuan (Indonesia), Ndivile working with GenderCC Southern Africa (South Africa), Melissa working with Critical Geography Collective (Ecuador), Greta and Pat working with LIFE e.V. (Germany), Farina working with GenderCC (Germany), Babitha working with Menstruation Collective (India), Taily working with youth and indigenous women’s collectives (Brazil). We have also started a mentoring program, where some of the longstanding members will introduce mentees to the Not Without Us! team and work, to take over in the future.

In 2022, the project kept its internal capacity building through online learning sessions. The team was working on the compilation and systematisation of its knowledge from 2017 up until now through a

[medium platform](#), in cooperation with the Women and Gender Constituency. Moreover, knowledge was produced in new formats, like audio features, infographics and illustrations.

In 2022, the focus has been on using previous as well as newly generated content on the road to COP27 to have a consistent outreach on social media as well as the medium platform and make demands of the project heard. This year postcards were translated to multiple languages and publishing articles in multiple languages on the medium platform. The project team attended COP27 in Sharm-El-Sheikh and organized two side events at the Blue Zone on “¡No sin nosotras - not without us!” on November 9th at the EUROCLIMA+ Pavilion and another on “Putting people and real solutions at the heart of climate action” on November 12th.



Education and awareness raising events to promote a global gender just climate policy'

GenderCC has carried out an educational project within Germany from April- December 2021. The project was a nine-month activity of development education and awareness raising. The project has been sensitizing the target groups 'youth/young adults', 'political decision-makers' as well as 'NGOs, activists and one world actors' for the topic of global climate justice and gender-responsive climate protection and adaptation measures in open information events- some of those events are happening in physical meetings, most of them are currently happening online. One of the meetings has been used to establish a gender and climate justice working group within the Germany-wide umbrella organisation 'Klima-Allianz'. Materials such as a briefing paper and an explanatory video on gender and climate have been produced to support those measures and are available on the [GenderCC website](#).

LGBTIQ+ project

The project is funded by the 'Urgent Action Fund (USA)' and aimed at training actors across Europe, specifically WLINTA* actors of the LGBTIQ+ community, with an interest in the intersection of queerfeminism and climate justice.

There was one briefing paper published on the GenderCC website and three trainings held: one training in Ljubljana (Slovenia) in cooperation with the organisation 'Ljubljana Pride', one in Berlin in cooperation with 'LesLeFam' (Lesbians, Life, Family) and one in Rotterdam with 'Queer Rotterdam' throughout the year.

The main goal was to establish the topic of gendered climate change policies within the queer community in Europe and to be able to give evidence of how WLINTA* are specifically affected by climate change impacts as well as climate change adaptation and mitigation policies, also in the political global north. At the same time, a specific LGBTIQ+ perspective and knowledge base concerning climate policies has been developed within the project.



genaweb: Dissemination and ongoing updating of a knowledge platform on gender, environment, climate change, sustainability

Since many years, the genaweb project has built up a [knowledge platform](#) in order to process and make available existing findings on the gender aspects of environmental, climate and sustainability policy. The aim is to enable environmental policy actors to take gender aspects into account in the relevant policy fields and to develop environmental/climate policy measures in a gender-responsive manner. The focus is on the situation in industrialised countries, with emphasis on Germany and the EU. Existing knowledge, which has been rather fragmented so far, is brought together in a topic-oriented way to enable users to access the knowledge available and applicable to them on a single platform. Most of the pages are available in German and English.

In the past three years, genaweb (via GenderCC) received a small grant from the German Federal Environmental Agency in order to regularly update the content of the platform and to do necessary technical updates. In addition, a newsletter was published every two to three months providing information on important findings from gender-responsive environmental/climate research as well as experiences with the implementation of these findings in political practice.

This funding expired at the end of October 2022. We will continue to update and provide the website on a volunteer basis as long as this is technically possible.

‘Dialogues’ research project

DIALOGUES is a three-year [project](#) funded under the Horizon 2020 programme. Eight partners from EU countries, as well as research institutions from Canada, Norway, Switzerland and Turkey are working together to explore the concept of ‘energy citizenship’ that enables citizens to take a central role in the energy transition. The project involves extensive theoretical work on the social and political processes around energy citizenship, as well as literature reviews, assembling, curating and

enhancing existing data and establishing a knowledge platform. A key element are pilot actions in the form of Citizen Action Labs in the participating countries.

GenderCC is in charge of ensuring that gender aspects are properly taken into consideration throughout the project. Moreover, GenderCC will work together with the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) to implement a Citizen Action Lab with BürgerEnergie Berlin, a cooperative working on energy democracy and practical steps to transform the Berlin energy system.

GenderCC has prepared a literature review on gender and energy, with a special emphasis on gender and energy communities, conducted two gender workshops for the project participants, reviewed the planning for the Citizen Action Labs of all partners from a gender perspective, and contributed to survey questionnaires, newsletters and briefing papers. Moreover, together with the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, a concept Citizen Action Lab in Berlin has been prepared to be implemented in 2023. Further actions in 2023 will involve a gender-sensitive monitoring approach.

Ju*gend - Youth, Gender & Climate Justice

GenderCC started a new project "Ju*gend - Youth, Gender & Climate Justice" funded by the Umweltbundesamt via funds on the German Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection, which will run from April 2022 until December 2023. The project aims at working with German youth associations to develop an innovative tool (based on Gender Impact Assessments) for checking the gender effects of projects, programs and measures. The tool should be formulated in a way that is suitable for young people, translated into simple language, easy to use and accessible online for everyone to use. In addition, full-time and voluntary promoters are trained, who bring the topic and the implementation approaches to the regional and local groups. The aim is for youth organizations to be able to combine the topic of gender equality in practice with environmental and climate policy and to design their own campaigns, measures and programs in a gender-sensitive manner.

The kick-off event in July 2022 opened up a first space for youth and people working in youth organisations to network and connect on the topic of gender and climate justice. During the fall of 2022 two workshops were held with youth representative. One was the first step to establish the abovementioned tool and discuss what this tool should encompass and how it should look like. The second workshop had a focus on testing the established tool and use real life cases of policies and campaigns of the participants to see if the tool would need to be further improved.

Next year the focus of the project will be to launch the tool and training promoters to know how to use the method and spread the use within their organization. The project will close with a barcamp to establish how to move forward with the network and the tool.

More information on current and past projects can be found on the [GenderCC website](#).

Perspectives

Various project proposals have been submitted during 2021 and 2022, among others to the Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation on a longer-term continuation of the 'Not without us' project, the German National Climate Initiative (NKI) and the European Erasmus+ programme. The latter has already been approved and has started recently (on December 1st 2022). This project will run until November 2025. The also European funded project 'Dialogues' is funded until end of March 2024, with a perspective of following up within the same consortium. The lead organisation has already stated to be aiming at a follow-up project in the same research funding line.

The Project 'JuGend' will run until end of 2023 - a follow-up project with the view of building up a young people's network on Gender and Climate Justice will be handed in in the next call (summer 2023).

GenderCC is also applying in the current IKI Call (medium grant) alongside with GenderCC Southern Africa.

Funding for a minimum of the GenderCC Secretariat's work is secured until March 2024 and further fundraising will be necessary in the course of the year 2023. GenderCC's Board is currently discussing options for a viable and successful development of GenderCC's future.

Financial Report

Incomes, expenditure and the balance are given in the table on the next page.

Please be aware that this is a simple revenue-surplus accounting. The balance of 2021 is positive, because at the end of 2021, we received funds to be spent in the beginning of 2022. Our current real reserves amount to some 25.000 EUR.

Financial Report 2021
1.1.2021 – 31.12.2021

Incomes	Euro	Euro	Euro
Grants			
Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation	23.475,00		
European Commission	152.156,25		
Urgent Action Fund	15.643,50		
Engagement Global	9.600,00		
Federal Agency for Environmental Affairs	13.108,00		
Ministry of Environmental Affairs	<u>645.795,89</u>	859.778,64	
Reimbursement travel costs		450,29	
Remuneration cooperation (§19UStG)		1.600,00	
Interest		0.01	
Voluntary Membership Fees		341,08	
Donations		<u>4.378,92</u>	866.548,94
Expenditures			
Staff		192.005,45	
Consultancy fees		307,50	
Consultancy fees incl.19% VAT (incl. transfers to 'Not without us' partners)		9.398,62	
Office rent (incl. a payment for 2020)		15.916,18	
Maintenance		0,00	
Travel		88,50	
Catering		0,00	
Transfer to partner South Africa		108.895,25	
Transfer to partner Indonesia		151.480,00	
Transfer to partner India		80.123,35	
Transfer to partner Mexico		144.233,64	
PR and printing		1.594,60	
Fees		556,89	
Zoom		198,11	
Porto		9,00	
Internet, phone, webspace		797,21	
Office consumables		427,07	
Literature		80,13	
Book-keeping		1.465,37	
Tax counsellor(annual financial statement)		1.640,12	
Legal counselling		400,20	
Services		1.363,00	
Banking fees		3.104,39	
Other expenditures		435,94	
Maintenance costs for Soft- and Hardware		41,65	
VAT previous year		1.158,52	
VAT §13 previous year		1.913,00	
VAT not effective for the current year		<u>-1.538,90</u>	716.094,79
Balance			150.454,15