Events

Launch of Women in International Security (WIIS) at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)
When: Wed, Jan 18 | 6:15pm-8:30pm
Where: Center for Strategic and International Studies
1800 K Street, NW

The event will feature Michèle Flournoy from the U.S. Defense Department, and Wendy Sherman from the U.S. State Department in a conversation moderated by Nina Easton, Washington Bureau Chief for Fortune Magazine, discussing women's contributions to U.S. foreign and defense policy. More info.

Gender Equity and Sustainable Development: Prioritizing Actions to Achieve Results
When: Thurs, Jan 19 | 8:30am-5:00pm
Where: Conference Center, 1st Floor 1400 16th St. NW

Join the Böll Foundation and Partners in a multi-stakeholder dialogue to review systems of governance focusing on economics, food and agriculture, and climate that aren't working, success stories that are working and concrete ways to ensure that progress toward achieving gender equitable and sustainable development will be achieved in 2012 and beyond. More info.

Pakistani Peacemakers: The Challenges for Civil Society Actors
When: Thurs, Jan 19 | 10:00am-12:00pm

Guest post by Sean Carey:
"As of January 1, a new gender law specifies that at least one-third of candidates in local elections must be women. Elections, which are held every five years, are due in April...In his New Year address, the Mauritian Prime Minister, Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam, welcomed the change to the electoral system: "We must ensure that the number of women candidates rises..."
Civil society actors have an immense role in peacebuilding and resolving local conflicts, especially when the rule of law is ineffective or absent. This panel of experts will examine the ways in which diverse civil society actors, including youth and women, as well as the media, religion and business communities, confront real conflicts with collaborative problem-solving approaches. More info.

**Gender in Development Workgroup Planning Meeting**
*When:* Fri, Jan 20 | 12:00pm-1:30pm  
*Where:* The QED Group  
1250 I Street, NW

The SID/GID Workgroup is a group of individuals actively committed to advancing the roles of women, men, boys and girls in social, economic, and political development. More info.

**Investing in Women's Leadership for Climate Change Risk Management and Adaptation**
*When:* Mon, Jan 23 | 12:00pm-2:00pm  
*Where:* Lindner Commons, Room 602  
Elliott School of International Affairs  
1957 E St, NW

Film screening and panel discussion on gender and climate change featuring *Linda Yarr*, Director, Partnerships for International Strategies in Asia (PISA); *Suzanne Kelly-Lyall*, Deputy Director, Partnerships for International Strategies in Asia (PISA); *Daniel Petz*, Senior Research Assistant on Natural Disasters, The Brookings Institute-LSE Project on Internal Displacement; and *Elizabeth Martin Perera*, MPH, Senior Washington Representative, Climate and Energy Program, Union of Concerned Scientists. RSVP: PISA@gwu.edu

**Opportunities**

**Arab Foundation For Freedoms And Equality: Social Change Program: Gender And Sexuality**
*Deadline:* Jan 23

The Arab Foundation for Freedoms and Equality (AFE) Social Change Program is a year-long program targeting local councillors are women, so an increase in their number in the near future is almost inevitable." Read more.

**Kudos to Matt Grieger!**

Matt Grieger, a current MA student in the [Asian Studies Program](http://www.gwu.edu) at the Elliott School, has just completed his masters thesis: *Challenging Conventional Wisdom: Sex Work, Exploitation, and Labor Among Young Akha Men in Thailand*. In the summer of 2011, Matt
through six thematic modules that address issues of gender and sexuality from a social change and activism approach. More info.

2012 IAFFE Travel Grant

Deadline: Feb 1

The International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE) announces that the 2012 Travel Grant Applications are open. Travel funding is available for participants from developing and transition countries and a limited number of scholars and graduate students from OECD countries. More info.

Gender Internship

Who: Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict

Deadline: Feb 1

Read full announcement (Doc).

Spring Internship

Who: Gender Action

Deadline: Feb 10

Gender Action is seeking a qualified graduate student with a demonstrated interest in gender justice to contribute to advocacy work aimed at improving the lives of women and girls. More info.

Internships

Who: Center for Women Policy Studies

The Center is now accepting applications for summer policy research and advocacy internships. More info.

Programs Associate

Who: Gender Action

Gender Action seeks an energetic, pro-active Programs Associate. The Associate, who will report to the President, will take the initiative on coordinating and managing several programs. More info.

Executive Director

Who: Urgent Action Fund for Women's Humans Rights

Congratulations, Matt! If you're interested in reading a copy of his thesis, please feel free to contact Matt at griegermt@gmail.com and he'll send you a copy.

For the Global Gender Forum's event on women's leadership and gender equality in political decision-making processes

When: Thurs, Jan 26
Where: Lindner Family Commons, Room 602
1957E St, NW
Elliott School of International Affairs

Featuring Endah Trista Agustiana, Social Poverty and Gender Specialist at Asian Development Bank

http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=7b2632136230b212de30b9018&i...
The Fund promotes the rights of women and girls around the world through Rapid Response Grantmaking and collaborative advocacy and justice research. More info.

**Resources**

**Haitian Women: The Centerposts of Reconstructing Haiti**
Deficient access to education and healthcare, and misguided agricultural policies, have exacerbated women's burdens. Improved social, economic and political empowerment of women is vital to rebuilding Haiti (PDF).

**Gender, Culture and the Pacific**
The purpose of this paper is to provide a deeper understanding of how culture in the Pacific impacts gender equality and human development (PDF).

**Empowering Women for Stronger Political Parties: A Good Practices Guide to Promote Women's Political Participation**
Manual on women and political parties (PDF).

**Visualizing Maternal Mortality**
Visualizing maternal mortality MME Info, a data visualization portal containing the latest maternal mortality estimates released by the UN, is designed to provide a clear and transparent way to communicate and understand maternal mortality estimates at country and regional levels. Access site.

**Culture and Human Rights: How can we challenge 'cultural' excuses for gender-based violence?**
Gender Across Borders in collaboration with Violence is Not Our Culture: the Global Campaign to End Violence Against Women in the Name of 'Culture' would like to welcome you to the second part of a series exploring the relationship between culture and violence against women. More info.

**10 x10 Educate Girls. Change the World**
10x10 is a feature film and a social action campaign. It uses the power of storytelling and the leverage of strategic partnerships to deliver a single message: educating girls in developing nations will change the world. More info.
A Place at the Table: Safeguarding Women’s Rights in Afghanistan

Ten years after the western intervention in Afghanistan, Afghan women are facing an uncertain future. Women have strived for and made important gains since the fall of the Taliban in 2001, including in political participation and access to education, but these gains are fragile and reversible (PDF).

The women of Mali: “Indignons-nous!”
Dan Moshenberg, Director of Women’s Studies and Associate Professor of English at GW, writes, "On December 2, 2011, the Malian parliament passed a Family Code, which threatens to set back women’s rights in Mali quite considerably. In 2009 the Parliament had passed a fairly progressive law, which didn’t quite bring women and men to equal status, but was a major step in that direction." Read more.

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