



2021-07-27th

**Statement of the International University Network on Cultural and Biological Diversity (IUNCBD) Gender-Women Unit for Africa, presented by the Kenya Coordinator Ms Njoki Virginia Wango, University of Nairobi**

Statement presented during the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) "**Virtual discussion on the draft outline of a post-2020 gender plan of action**", 2021 July 27th.

The IUNCBD additional objective presented in the statement was supported by the governmental Delegates of Colombia and Belgium. Therefore the new proposed target was accepted and included for the subsequent process of negotiation.

**IUNCBD STATEMENT:**

"The following statement and additional objective are presented on behalf of the **International University Network on Cultural and Biological Diversity (IUNCBD), Gender-Women Unit for Africa Kenya**

We propose the introduction of an additional objective on education and science in the "**Expected outcome number one**"

Education, knowledge generation and science are pillars of the fabric of society: all gender imbalances begin in education followed by deeper gaps of women's participation in science. These gaps are among the main barriers to the development of the capacity of women and the growth of their role in society and policy and decision making with special regards to the global South. Transformative change should fill the systemic gaps. Education and scientific knowledge are systemic transformative drivers of society.

Therefore we propose the following additional objective:

**"Ensure equal and equitable access of women to biodiversity-related education, research and science, with their full recognition and support as well as develop curricula that integrate gender and women's perspectives taking into account knowledge of indigenous peoples women and their learning systems and processes"**

Thank you Chair

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2021-07-29th

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Statements presented during the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) "Virtual discussion on the draft outline of a post-2020 gender plan of action", 2021 July 29th.

The IUNCBD additional action was presented in the second statement.

IUNCBD 1st STATEMENT (2021-07-29th):

"The following statement is presented on behalf of the **International University Network on Cultural and Biological Diversity (IUNCBD), Gender-Women Unit for Africa Kenya**

We propose to add "**SECTORIAL**" in objective 3.1 as follows.

Objective 3.1: Enhance the capacity of governments and other relevant stakeholders to collect, analyse and apply biodiversity data disaggregated by sex and other demographic and **SECTORIAL** factors, including data based on insights from traditional knowledge of indigenous women and girls

IUNCBD 2nd STATEMENT with **the proposal of an additional action** (2021-07-29th):

"The following statement is presented on behalf of the **International University Network on Cultural and Biological Diversity (IUNCBD), Gender-Women Unit for Africa Kenya**

We propose an **additional "action" in objective 3.2** since "Strengthening the evidence base, understanding and analysis of the gender-related impacts of biodiversity and the role of women as agents of change" requires a larger set of actions to activate and guide other ministries and institutions such as ministries of education, science and agriculture.

Therefore we propose a new action in objective 3.2 as follows:

***"Promote, support and develop inclusive educational and research programmes on the qualitative and quantitative impacts, interconnections and synergies between gender and biodiversity conservation, sustainable use and benefit sharing, including differentiated sectorial studies and data on the fundamental role of women as agents of change in rural systems and agriculture"***

Thank you Chair

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