Beijing + 25 will celebrate the 25th anniversary of an historic gathering at the 1995 UN Fourth World Conference on Women when 189 countries agreed on a Platform for Action. That document remains the golden standard of policy for gender equality and women’s empowerment. How was this achieved? The story begins long before 1995.

From the very founding of the United Nations in 1945, the women’s movements for peace and democracy strongly supported the UN charter and Declaration of Human rights. We pushed for --and succeeded --to create the UN Commission on the Status of Women (1946). Our demands resulted in the UN women’s conferences held in Mexico (1975), Copenhagen (1980), Nairobi (1985)And Beijing (1995). We were the movers and shakers that created UN Women in 1990, UN Security Council resolution #1325 and human rights bodies.

In 2020 during Beijing + 25 and UN 75, let us celebrate these achievements and the extraordinary power of the feminist and women’s movements to ensure that the UN works for equality, sustainable development and peace for all, leaving no one behind. But let us also work towards a transformative framework, a feminist and women’s movement action plan and coalitions to address the crises of our times such as climate change, illiberal democracies and the persistent discrimination and violence against women.
The feminist and women’s movements can use Beijing + 25 to advance a Feminist and Women’s Movement Action Plan.

We must leverage the power of global consensus and binding legal obligations for accountability:

- Beijing Platform for Action
- Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and other human rights treaties
- The sustainable development goals (SDGS)

We can break down silos, build a transformative framework and build new alliances as well as develop an action plan and feminist action coalitions.
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3000 registered so far

(January 1, 2020)
Stage I Jan-Feb. **DISCOVER and Reclaim** treasures of past commitments to find **HOPE**

Stage II Jan – March up to CSW 64. VoiceVoice online **DIALOGUES** with your NGOs to build alliances, identify strategies about how to shape an action plan and find **Courage**

Stage III April-July. Take our **DEMANDS** to the the Generation Equality Forums in Mexico and Paris in May and July 2020 and the to express a collective **Voice**

Stage IV August-September. UN General Assembly. Build new alliances so we can **DELIVER** and stand **Strong** together

Stage V 2021 to 2030. Evaluate and **INNOVATE** for Impact
The fwMACs will be one of many diverse action coalitions. You can create your own partnerships in your village, city, state and country

Suggested Guidelines:

1. Be open, welcoming, inclusive of the wide diversity of the feminist and women’s movements, creative, action-oriented and brave

2. Commit to the entire range of women’s human rights including the right to bodily integrity, personal autonomy/security and a healthy planet

3. Prioritize actions that are grounded in UN global consensus and binding legal obligations with cross-cutting impact across many thematic areas.

4. Build new and sustainable alliances across social movements

5. Aim for actions to be time-bound, resourced, with measurable outcomes

6. Innovate for impact with trusted partners: government, UN, philanthropy (includes private sector), cultural innovators/communications
HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO THE GENERATION EQUALITY FORUMS?

BUILDING MOMENTUM

2019 Beijing + 25 national reviews

(2019-2020) Regional civil society stakeholders Forums
Feminist and Women’s Movement Action Plan

March 9-20 2020 at CSW 64
Feminist and Women’s Movement Action Coalitions

May 7-8  2020 Mexico: General Equality Forum

July 7-10  2020 Paris: Generation Equality Forum

September 23 2020 UNGA High-Level meeting

CSW 65  Evaluation and renewal

2021-2030 Innovation for Impact
HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?
conferences and VoiceVoice dialogues

- Jan 7 - Inclusive development, shared prosperity and decent work
- Jan 21 - Poverty eradication, social protection and social services
- Feb 4 - Freedom from violence, stigma and stereotypes
- Feb 18 - Participation, accountability and gender-responsive institutions
- Feb 25 - Peaceful and inclusive societies
- March 3 - Environmental conservation, protection and rehabilitation
- CROSS-CUTTING: human rights, health, climate change and girl-child
Thank you for your Beijing+25 energy!

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“Look at the world through women’s eyes” was the slogan of the NGO Forum in 1995