



Media Compact



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A broad range of media organizations are supporting UN Women's efforts through the Beijing+20 Media Compact, designed specifically for the campaign launched in the context of the 20th anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women. The Compact aims to increase and sharpen the profile of women in the news throughout the campaign period and beyond. By March 2015, more than thirty media outlets had joined the Compact, spanning a variety of print, broadcast and online outlets, from Asia-Pacific, the Arab States, Africa and the Americas.



Thousands of reports, analysis, editorials, columns and feature stories have been produced through the Media Compact, profiling courageous women and giving voice to those marginalized. The coverage includes hard data on the advancements gained as well as barriers that continue to impede progress and stress accountability, thereby demonstrating the integral role media plays in supporting gender equality.

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 Almost two decades ago, in Beijing, 189 countries made a commitment to achieve equality for women, in practice and in law, so that all women could at last fully enjoy their rights and freedoms as equal human beings.

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 Empowering women, empowering humanity — picture it!
 By Phyllis Mando Spinko | 29 May 2014



Members of a girls' club in Ethiopia. The United Nations Women's new campaign will focus on getting renewed commitment, strengthened action and increased resources for achieving gender equality and women empowerment and human rights. Photo by: Olayinka Olatunji/UN Women/CC BY/NC/ND

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 By Thad Green



Sexist laws at work undermine women's economic empowerment. The Thomson Reuters Foundation reports that women worldwide receive unequal treatment and resources. Credit: Richard Moriguchi

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New Law Spurs Action, Bringing Protection to Many



Skopje 2012, UN agencies, government and citizens united to end violence against women. Photo: UNDP Office in Skopje

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Leading the force, ending violence against women her motto
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Photo: Lieutenant Colonel Wafa Khaled Ayyad Muammar is the highest-ranking woman in the Palestinian Civil Police.

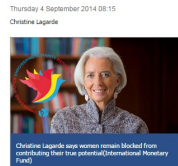
Throughout the strife and humanitarian crisis around her, Wafa Khaled Ayyad Muammar, 43, was among the first generation of women to enter the Palestinian Civil Police (PCP) right after its establishment less than 20 years ago. Today, as head of the Palestinian Civil Police Family Protection Unit, Lieutenant Colonel Wafa Khaled Ayyad Muammar is the highest-ranking female officer in the police, in spite of societal pressure to give up on her dream to serve the country through her work. Palestine, at just 17 per cent, has one of the lowest rates of female participation in the labour force globally. Muammar, a proud wife and mother of four, has had the courage to build a successful career in parallel, leading the way for other women in the police. She proved to many what women can achieve, even in the midst of intense conflict.

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The 21st century poses many challenges that require new ways of thinking, none more important than the economic role of women in a rapidly changing world. The global economy is struggling to generate the growth that can provide a better life for all, and all can contribute, yet women remain blocked from contributing their true potential. This has a huge cost. In some countries per capita incomes lag significantly because women are denied equal opportunity. They represent half the world's population, but contribute far less than 50% of economy activity. Indeed, the gap between men and women in terms of measured economic activity ranges from 12% in the OECD countries to 50% in the Middle East and North Africa.

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THE JORDAN TIMES
 'Gender pay gap most common in small private businesses, unorganised sector'

by Khetam Malkawi | Feb 12, 2015 | 21:43



Women at the center of economic activity

Muhammad Yunus, New York | Opinion | Fri, October 10 2014, 10:26 AM