

BUILDING A MOVEMENT OF GRASSROOTS WOMEN AND GIRLS

WELCOME TO THE MOVEMENT

In the second quarter of 2023, we witnessed the powerful representation of grassroots women at various forums, as they took charge in amplifying their voices and addressing the issues they intimately understand and know how to resolve. It fills us with immense pride to recognize Ann Gachambi, who brilliantly represented The Movement at the International Center for Research on Women; Gender & Learning collaborative event focused on "Women and Agroecology: Evidence from the Field." in New York.

Read more about what has been going on!

Rebuilding Grassroots Local Economies During and post Covid-19 in Kenya and Tanzania (REBUILD II) Project

In partnership with African Development Fund (AWDF) we supported 67 bee-keeping champions from Tana River, Laikipia, and Kitui to attend a 5-day training at Kenya Industrial Research & Development Institute (KIRDI) in Nairobi.



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The farmers were trained on the honey value addition; honey processing, packaging and business development services.

By building the capacities and knowledge of these incredible women, we aim to enhance the quality of their honey products, making them more marketable thus opening up new doors, expanding their reach, and ultimately increasing their income.

KEY PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

REBUILD II

- **Land Delivery Training**

To address land-related issues and promote gender mainstreaming, we collaborated with the State Department of Land Adjudication and Settlement. Together, we conducted land delivery services training for technical land officers from Tana River County, facilitating discussions on land matters.



- **Paralegal Training**

We partnered with Legal Resources Foundation and we conducted a 3-day Land Paralegal Training for 50 champions. The training enhanced knowledge of land laws and self-representation in formal law courts, while also delving into the exploration of alternative justice systems (AJS) to empower women in their pursuit of land rights.



- **Multistakeholder Meeting**

We conducted multi-stakeholder sensitization sessions on community land registration, engaging communities in Tana River. By raising awareness and facilitating dialogue, we set the stage for sustainable development, environmental stewardship, and social harmony.

- **National Potato Conference**

Grown by about 800,000 small-scale farmers, employing 3.5 million actors along the marketing channels and contributing over ksh 50 billion to the economy. We supported 12 champions from Nakuru and Nyandarua attend the event under the theme "Transforming Potato Value Chain into a Sustainable Nutrition Sensitive Food System for Social Economic Growth."



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Money Power

In collaboration with Laikipia County Government we launched the county-wide Civil Education Training for the Ward Public Participation Committee (WPPC) and the first Mashinani Development Committees(MDCs) that would oversee the delivery of government-implemented projects.



• Budget champions Inter-county meeting

In a collaborative effort, Budget Champions from Laikipia and Murang'a came together to assess the level of gender responsiveness in the budgets of their respective county governments. They reported an improvement in the allocation of resources for gender-responsive priorities over the past three years.



International Widows Day

On 23rd June, together with widows from Tiaty, Baringo County and the Assistant County commissioner we held a processional walk in Marigat township; one of solidarity and compassion, determined to address the injustices faced by widows affected by conflict and their marginalization.



NETWORKING EVENTS

UN-HABITAT Assembly

We had Champions attend this year's UN-HABITAT Assembly themed "A sustainable urban future through inclusive and effective multilateralism: attaining the SGD in times of global crises"

Regenerative Agricultural Conference



Champions attend the first Regenerative Agricultural Conference organized by The food and Land use coalition which aimed to provide knowledge sharing, experiences and best practices in promoting regenerative agriculture to combat drought desertification for sustainable development in Kenya.

Feminist Foreign Policy Event

Our Executive Director Fridah Githuku was a speaker at the FFP (Feminist Foreign Policy) Event that aimed at distinguishing Feminist Foreign Policy from previous (similar) policies.

The event also highlighted the voices of practitioners in Security and Rule of law (SRoL) programming and offered policy recommendations on specific adjustments needed to fully operationalize the policy.



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Annual Landac Conference

We had our ED and Programs Officer; Fridah Githuku and Doris Munyingi speaking at this year's Annual Conference of 2023 LANDac - The Netherlands Land Academy, in collaboration with IOS-Fair Transitions, where they discussed the topic "Strengthening Women's Land Rights: A Feminist Pathway towards Achieving Transformative Climate Action."

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NETWORKING EVENTS AND OTHER NEWS

The Gender & Learning Collaborative Event

Ann Gachambi our Land Rights Champion represented the Movement at the Gender & Learning Collaborative Event at Rockefeller Brothers Fund Pocantico Center in New York. The Learning collaborative event explored;

- The role of women in grassroots adaptation and mitigation strategies
- Women's roles as effective agents of behavioral and community change to build a green economy;



- Women's asset- building economic collectives and community-based structures as effective resiliency tools;
- Women as key to effective resource management and conservation of water, food, energy, and other natural systems;
- The need for investments in current adaptation and mitigation efforts, data development, and key research questions.

"There's need to collect enough data to support what grassroots women are doing in climate action" Ann Gachambi



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