HIGH LEVEL CLOSING PANEL: SYNERGIES WITH OTHER SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDAS

PRESENTATION OF RESULTS

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Results Regional Meeting on Climate Change and Gender Equality
• Representatives of government, civil society and key organizations participated in the work required to advance the gender and climate change agenda at the global and regional levels.

• The themes of the Lima Work Program on Gender and its reinforced Plan of Action (2020 - 2024) were addressed.

• Draft working document: regulatory frameworks, climate finance, just transition, national and subnational experiences, bi-regional dialogue with the European Union, among others.
Objectives

- Identify, discuss and exchange information, good practices and visions on experiences, challenges and opportunities in LAC countries regarding the integration of a gender perspective in the formulation and implementation of national policies for mitigation and adaptation to climate change, climático.

- **Strengthen capacities of LAC countries on the linkages between gender and climate change to implement the Lima Work Program and its enhanced Gender Action Plan (2020 -2024).**

- Promote reflection on new approaches with a gender perspective to climate change policies and their intersections with public policies in other sectors, in light of the impacts and lessons learned from COVID 19.

- Promote the creation and strengthening of a Network for Gender Equality and Climate Change in LAC, with a view to strengthening the active participation of women in decision-making processes at all levels.
Meeting Route

- Opening: Towards Transformative Recovery for Sustainability and Gender Equality
  - 02-sept-2021

- Climate Governance
  - 07-sept-2021

- Consistency with climate policy and national developments
  - 09-sept-2021

- Climate Finance
  - 21-sept-2021

- Sex-disaggregated data on climate change
  - 23-sept-2021

- Women agents of change
  - 28-sept-2021

- Closing: Synergies with other sustainable development agendas
  - 30-sept-2021

- Elaboration of the final working document with inputs from the meeting
  - ¿2022?
Functioning of the Meeting

It was developed virtually during the month of September 2021, two days a week, three hours a day on the Zoom Platform.

The sessions were divided into open sessions, in webinar format transmitted via youtube, and closed working groups, with participatory methodologies.
Results

- People from LAC trained in the linkages between gender and climate change to implement the Lima Work Program and its reinforced Gender Action Plan (2020 - 2024).

- Identification of synergies and partnerships between LAC and European countries for the implementation of the Lima Work Program on Gender and its Gender Action Plan.
Participants

64 people from official delegations
Countries that have actively participated

Youtube views

Average number of attendees at Zoom sessions
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Findings

- Women and girls are disproportionately more vulnerable to the effects of climate change: their autonomy and adaptive capacity is limited by historical structural inequalities.

- It is essential to promote the integration of a gender perspective in climate change adaptation and mitigation policies in order to advance climate action, gender equality and women’s empowerment.

- Latin America and the Caribbean is one of the regions hardest hit by the pandemic in different dimensions, so it is crucial to advance in a transformative recovery to boost the economy through strategic sectors and improve inclusion and address the climate crisis. To this end, understanding the gender-environment nexus is key.
The challenge is to implement (and accelerate) the commitments subscribed under a collaborative, articulated approach, with financing and robust political, economic and fiscal pacts to make equality a central objective.

Mainstreaming IS NOT ENOUGH, we must make structural changes for the recovery to be profound.

We need to promote parity between men and women and commit to equality. Intersectionality means bringing to the forefront those who are traditionally left out, such as indigenous peoples, rural communities, Afro-descendants, migrants, etc.

It is necessary to strengthen the coordinated work between the Mechanisms for the Advancement of Women and other sectors.

This is the time for action, for results, for counter-cyclical policies, for key articulations focused on solutions.
To address the climate crisis, changes must be made in production patterns to ensure a just transition to sustainability with principles of gender justice, which means eliminating gender inequalities.
In the region there is evidence of progress in linking gender and climate change through the development of instruments, which translates into the promotion of different strategies, plans and programs in the different countries.

The importance of political will to carry out these efforts is highlighted, where institutional capacity building is fundamental.

It is evident that the participation and leadership of women in all their diversity must be strengthened.

Multisectoral coordination is key to a more comprehensive approach to the efforts being made by the countries.
Addressing the climate, inequalities and health crisis caused by COVID-19 requires not only the redesign of policies, but also technical, human and financial resources, as well as multilateral and inter-country cooperation.

It is important to achieve a fiscal transition in line with the ecological transition we are undergoing that, in turn, considers the need to mobilize the maximum available resources to ensure women’s access to solutions.

Sensitize the national institutions in charge of statistics to promote the generation of data disaggregated by sex, with a focus on climate change management, with a focus on strategic sectors, periodic updates, in a coordinated manner so as not to repeat efforts.

Generate capacities in the technical teams at the national and subnational levels in methodologies for the collection, management and analysis of sex-disaggregated data to feed the formulation and updating processes of climate change management instruments.
In order to advance in climate actions with gender equality, it is necessary to recognize the diversity of needs, interests and knowledge of Latin American and Caribbean women, especially those who live in more vulnerable conditions.
Conclusions

- Tackling the climate crisis requires climate actions based on changes in production patterns through the development of new instruments and technological innovations that ensure a just transition towards sustainability and under principles of gender justice.

- Achieving gender-responsive and sustainable growth paths with equality requires actions that strengthen the use of strategies based on the bioeconomy; promote sustainable mobility models, appropriate for care activities and that ensure the physical autonomy of women; promote a circular economy in which the participation of women in formal and informal activities is recognized, both in the public and private spheres.
Expected results

- Guidance document that systematizes good practices, experiences, challenges and opportunities identified in LAC countries regarding the integration of the gender approach in the formulation and implementation of national climate change mitigation and adaptation policies.

- Creation of a multi-stakeholder network on climate change and gender equality with a view to establishing a road map to promote the incorporation of a gender perspective in climate action by governments.
Acknowledgments
Without women there is no climate action. We need more women agents of change.
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Thank You

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