

## **B+30 CS Forum Women and the Economy – Workshop**



As all women are part of the economy in the UNECE region it is one of the vast topics. 'Women and the Economy' refers to women's equal participation in both the monetised and non-monetised economy. It covers women's equal participation in the labour force, women's equal access to entrepreneurship, social protection, finances and markets, unpaid care work, women's meaningful participation in economic decision-making at all levels, and broadly, on women's economic empowerment.

The workshop started with different input topics: short movie about the outcome of the working group plus some additions via power point presentation. A dream session with Dr. Vanessa Rosser followed: what would your dream economy for women look like? Some of the dreams were presented. Next input was a report by Samah Krichah from Women's Budget Group (the UK's leading feminist economics think tank) about feminist economy.

During the second part of the workshop the participants worked in breakout groups of five to work out best practices for advocacy about Women and the Economy. In a plenary presentation all groups presented their results.

Four main topics out of this workshop can be stated:

- We demand a changed gender inclusive legislation
- We need a generation inclusive economy
- We have to put pressure on companies to provide an equal work space
- We demand a strong connection between civil society and governments

The statement and recommendations of the working group can be found here: <https://ngocsw-geneva.ch/beijing-30/#women-economy>



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