



GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM

Global Acceleration Plan for Gender Equality [DRAFT]

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Forward

COVID-19 has laid bare [critical gaps in equality](#) that have left millions of women and girls – particularly those who are most marginalized – behind. Gender equality is not just a goal: it is critical to the survival of the planet, the realization of the rights of all girls and women, and to building new economic and social systems that include, and work for, everyone.

Aware of this critical time for gender equality and committed to building a more equal, inclusive and resilient post-pandemic world, a global, innovative, multi-stakeholder platform has been launched: the [Generation Equality Action Coalitions](#).

The Action Coalitions are mobilizing governments, women's, feminist and youth-led organizations, international organizations, and the private sector to: catalyze collective action; spark global and local conversations among generations; drive increased public and private investment; and deliver concrete, game-changing results across generations for girls and women.

Six specific themes are being addressed by the Action Coalitions including: i) Gender Based Violence; ii) Economic Justice and Rights; iii) Bodily autonomy and sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR); iv) Feminist action for climate justice; v) Technology and innovation for Gender Equality; vi) Feminist movements and leadership.

Each Action Coalition is led by a [group of partners](#) or leaders who have been working together to co-design thematic Blueprints that articulate a clear vision of concrete change that will accelerate results in this UN Decade of Action.

This document presents the draft Global roadmap to accelerate concrete change on gender equality, inclusive of six Blueprints for each of the Action Coalition themes. Developed through a highly dynamic, iterative process of co-creation, this Global Acceleration Plan for Gender Equality will be further shaped through inputs garnered at the Mexico Forum, alongside other engagement opportunities.

This document is expected to further evolve, as Leadership Structures advance additional components of the Blueprints, including the implementation costs and the 5-year accountability framework. It is expected that more stakeholders will join the Action Coalitions as [Commitment Makers](#).

Action Coalitions leaders and Commitment Makers are expected to make bold and transformative commitments so that the transformative vision of the Action Coalitions will be realized. Commitments will be showcased at the [Paris Forum](#) in 30 June – 02 July 2021.



Executive Summary

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Gender-Based Violence

Our vision for success by 2026

Multiple, diverse stakeholders come together to realize the vision of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and SDG targets 5.2 and 5.3, by making and implementing concrete new comprehensive commitments to address gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity that are survivor-centered and backed by targeted and adequate financial and political resources. Women's Rights Organizationsⁱ are recognized for their expertise, well-resourced and have capacity to drive change as leaders at all levels. Diverse voices are amplified across social and political arenas, including adolescent girls and youth.

Violence against women
and girls persists
as a **GLOBAL
EMERGENCY.**



Progress towards the elimination of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity is rapidly accelerated through more concerted, coordinated, scaled-up global action that builds political will and accountability for transformative change at all levels. Concerted global action leads to changes in gendered power relations and social norms, which accelerates progress on gender equality and the elimination of all forms of gender-based violence. An intersectional, evidence-driven approach is consistently integrated into all efforts to prevent and respond to GBV including in institutions, and legal frameworks are in place and implemented. Impunity is addressed, ensuring full accountability of perpetrators and state's due diligence to prevent and respond to all acts of violence against women and girls in all their diversity. All survivors of GBV safely access comprehensive support services.

Gender-Based Violence -Definition

The definition of Gender-Based Violence for the purpose of the Action Coalition is "violence which is directed against a woman because she is a woman or that affects women disproportionately"ⁱⁱ. Recognizing that gender-based violence affects women and girls in all their diversity, the Action Coalition on GBV adopts the definition of gender-based violence derived from the 1993 Declaration on the Elimination of Violence Against Women, as "any act of gender-based violence that results in, or is likely to result in, physical, sexual or mental harm or suffering to women, including threats of such acts, coercion or arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether occurring in public or in private life"ⁱⁱⁱ

Why does Gender-based violence matter?

Gender-based violence against women and girls is a widespread and persistent global issue: An estimated 736 million women - almost 1 in 3 - have been subjected to intimate partner violence, non-partner sexual violence or both at least once in their life (30% of women aged 15 and older)ⁱⁱⁱ.

Additionally, of those who have been in a relationship, almost 1 in 4 adolescent girls aged 15–19 (24%)^{iv} have experienced physical and/or sexual violence from an intimate partner or husband. These key indicators have not changed for decades and have become an ever more pressing challenge as COVID-19 shocks health systems, restricts mobility, and shifts funding priorities.

Women and girls may experience multiple and intersecting forms of gender-based violence in their lifetime including emotional, economic, and sexual violence, sexual harassment, harmful practices such as female genital mutilation, child early and forced marriage and sexual exploitation linked to human trafficking. Women and girls also experience violence in private and public space and online and women and girls in conflict, crisis and humanitarian contexts are disproportionately vulnerable to various forms of gender-based violence. Women human rights defenders, feminist activists and peace builders as well as women who participate in politics are also often targeted.

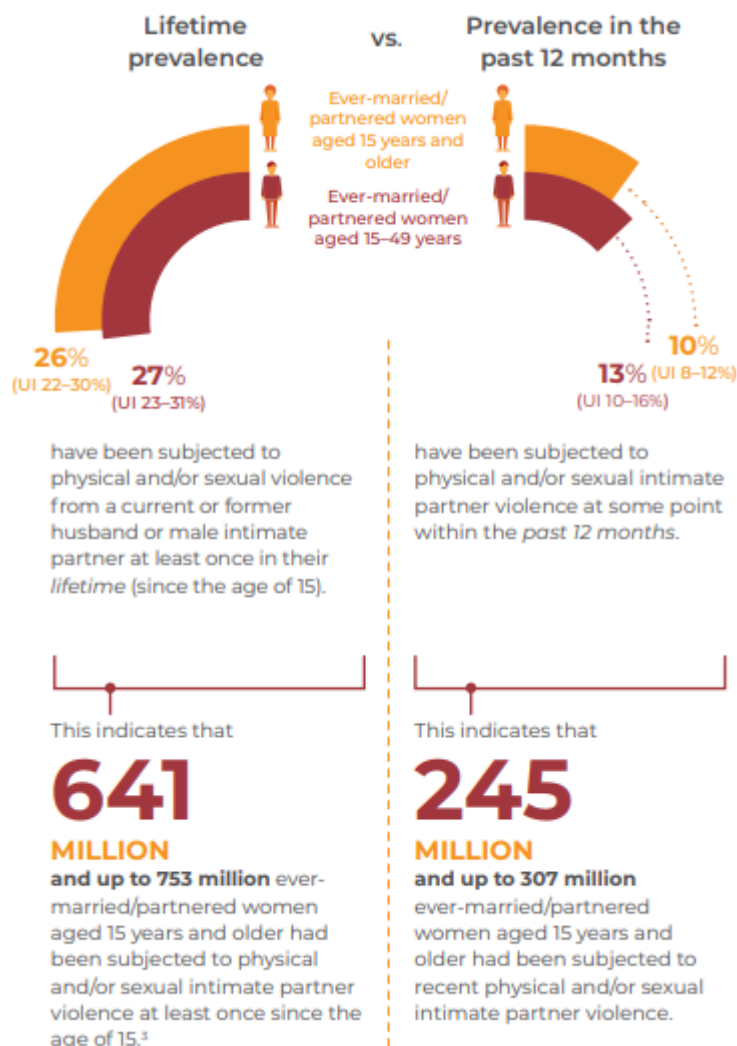
Gender-based violence affects women and girls in all their diversity. Women's and girls' experiences of gender-based violence are informed and compounded by experiences of multiple and intersecting forms of violence, discrimination, and oppression.

Gender-based violence can negatively affect women's physical, mental, sexual, and reproductive health. It is associated with increased risk of injuries, depression, anxiety disorders, unplanned pregnancies, sexually-transmitted infections, HIV and many other health problems, that can last even after the violence has ended. It also affects women's full and active participation in the labour market. Many women experiencing domestic violence may be absent from work sometimes for extended periods of time. Gender-based violence against women and girls also comes at significant economic cost to societies and economies. In Australia violence against women costs approximately \$13.6 billion per year, of which \$465 million is borne by employers.^v

Despite the scale of the problem gender-based violence against women and girls is preventable. Growing global evidence indicates that investments in sustained multi-year evidence-driven prevention strategies can drive down prevalence of gender-based violence against women and girls within programme timeframes.

What needs to change?

Perpetration of gender-based violence against women and girls is deeply rooted in social and gendered norms, attitudes and beliefs which impact interpersonal relationships, family, community, and institutions. The adoption of gender-equitable norms, attitudes and belief systems by both individuals



and institutions made possible through the implementation of evidence driven prevention strategies at scale are therefore key to ensuring the transformative shifts needed to end all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity. The current climate of patriarchal backlash against women's rights, limited political will and political decisions that actively regress on the progress made on women's rights, as well as insufficient financial and other investments to end gender-based violence against women and girls serve as significant barriers to progress on gender-equality.

Adolescent girls and young women experience multiple and intersecting forms of violence from a young age. In addition to intimate partner violence and non-partner sexual violence adolescent girls and young women are subject to harmful practices such as female genital mutilation and child early and forced marriage. Gender-based violence can have life-long consequences for adolescent girls and young women and can lead to a range of negative outcomes, both immediately and longer term. It can also restrict their access to education, reduce their potential earnings, increase their risk of unintended pregnancy and prevent them from participating equally in political and public life^{vi}.



Intimate partner violence starts early.



Almost **1 in 4** ever-married/partnered adolescent girls in the youngest age cohort (15–19 years old) is estimated to have already been subjected to physical and/or sexual violence from an intimate partner at least once in their *lifetime* (24%, UI 21–28%), and

16% of young women aged 15–24 experienced this violence within the past 12 months.



Severe deficits in the production, availability, accessibility and use of quality disaggregated data, evidence and statistics on gender-based violence, including data on women and girls experiencing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, impact the development, adoption, reform and implementation of legislation, policies and programmes to address violence against women and girls. Investments are needed to close these data gaps.

Evidence indicates that violence experienced by women and girls is significantly under-reported, only 40 per cent of women who experience violence seek help of any sort and many do not report their experiences to formal mechanisms. Increased awareness of and access to coordinated, survivor-centered, comprehensive, quality and affordable services is key to addressing impunity and to supporting resilience for survivors.

Survivors are **stigmatized** and **shamed**.

Less than **40%** of women who experience violence report these crimes or seek help of any sort.

What is the impact of COVID-19 on Gender-based violence?

Emerging evidence shows that since the outbreak of COVID-19, reports of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity have increased in countries where 'stay at home' measures are in place to curb the spread of the virus. Confined living conditions and tensions are exacerbating experiences of gender-based violence that already constituted a serious gendered social and public health problem prior to the pandemic and are made worse by limited access to critical support services and safe shelters during the crisis.

Women's rights organizations providing specialized, essential services have also faced additional resource constraints. Shifts to increased communication online have been accompanied by a significant increase in women's and girls' experiences of online violence. This has also highlighted the need for stronger legislative and policy frameworks and for strengthened capacity of law enforcement to address online violence. The COVID-19 pandemic has also emphasized the need for greater investments in technology facilitated prevention strategies and service provision for survivors of violence.

The Global Acceleration Plan for Gender-based violence

Through its emphasis on partnerships which centers civil society, the Action Coalition on gender-based violence is mobilizing governments, civil society, international organizations, philanthropies and the private sector to deliver transformational progress towards the elimination and prevention of gender-based violence through four concrete actions: (1) Creating enabling policy, legal and resource environments; (2) scaling up evidence driven prevention programming; (3) Scaling up comprehensive, accessible and quality services for survivors; and (4) Enabling and empowering autonomous girl-led & women's rights organizations to exercise their expertise.

Action 1

More states and regional actors ratify international and regional conventions and public and private sector institutions strengthen, implement and finance evidence-driven laws, policies and action plans to end gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity. *In so doing, 550 million more women and girls will live in countries with laws and policies prohibiting all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls by 2026.*

Action 2

Scale up implementation and financing of evidence-driven prevention strategies by public and private sector institutions and women's rights organizations to drive down prevalence of gender-based violence against women, adolescent girls and young women in all their diversity including in humanitarian settings. *In so doing, increase by 50% the number of countries that include one or more evidence-driven prevention strategies on gender-based violence against women and girls in national policies by 2026.*

Action 3

Scale up implementation and financing of coordinated survivor-centered, comprehensive, quality, accessible and affordable services for survivors of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity including in humanitarian settings. *In so doing, more women and girls will live in countries with multi-sectoral action plans on GBV which include provision of police, justice, health and social sector services by 2026.*

Action 4

Enhance support and increase accountability and quality, flexible funding from states, private sector, foundations, and other donors to autonomous girl-led & women's rights organizations working to end gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity. *In so doing, progressively improve and increase international funding by 50% to Women's rights organisations, activists and movements including those working to address gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity by 2026.*



Actions will Accelerate Progress on SDGs targets

- 5.1 End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere
- 5.2 Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation
- 5.3 Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation
- 6.1 Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere
- 16.a Strengthen relevant national institutions, including through international cooperation, for building capacity at all levels, in particular in developing countries, to prevent violence and combat terrorism and crime.

16.b Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies for sustainable development

16.1 Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere

16.2 End abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence against and torture of children

16.3 Promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and ensure equal access to justice for all.

How will the Action Coalition accelerate concrete results?

The Action coalition on gender-based violence will accelerate the achievement of a world free from violence for all women and girls. To advance progress on the SDGs, the following priority tactics will be deployed for each action:

Action 1: Create an enabling legal and policy environment for the elimination of GBV against women and girls in all their diversity



LAWS AND POLICIES: Advocacy for and ratification and implementation of international and regional conventions to address gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity. Strengthen and implement laws and policies in both public and private sectors and reinforce related accountability and redress mechanisms to enhance rule of law and ensure access to justice for survivors of gender-based violence.



FINANCING: Increase financing and budgetary allocation for gender-based violence prevention and response including for reform and implementation of laws, policies and multi-sectoral national action plans in domestic resources across sectors (both government and private) and in ODA.



DATA: Improve the production, availability, accessibility and use of quality data and statistics on gender-based violence, disaggregated by sex, disability, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, migrant status, geographic location, and other socio-economic dimensions to support development, adoption, reform and implementation of legislation and policies to address violence against women and girls in all their diversity

Action 2: Adapt and Scale up evidence driven prevention programming for the elimination of GBV against women and girls in all their diversity.



PREVENTION STRATEGIES / NORMS: Context specific adaptation and scaled up coordinated, cross sectoral implementation of evidence-driven prevention strategies which address social and gender norms including harmful masculinities to end all forms of gender-based violence including harmful practices against women and girls in all their diversity.



LAWS AND POLICIES: Adopt and implement policies and legislation that aims to shift inequitable social and gender norms and to address gender inequalities which are the root causes of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity.



FINANCING: Increase domestic, ODA, private and philanthropic financing for scale up of practitioner-led and evidence-driven strategies to prevent all forms of gender-based violence against all women and girls.



EDUCATION: Work with the education sector to prevent gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity by ensuring that schools and educational institutions are safe for all girls, adolescents and young women, and implement evidence-driven prevention strategies which promote gender equality, challenge gender stereotypes and

foster equitable norms, attitudes and beliefs from a young age, including through gender-sensitive curricula and comprehensive sexuality education.

Action 3: Scale up comprehensive, accessible, and quality services for survivors of GBV against women and girls in all their diversity



SERVICE DELIVERY: Increase awareness of and access to coordinated, survivor-centered, comprehensive, quality and affordable police, justice, health and social services for women and girls in all their diversity subjected to gender-based violence including for adolescent girls and young women and in response to COVID-19 and other conflict and crisis contexts. Ensure that mental health and SRH services address gender-based violence and act as an entry point for survivors' access to support services



FINANCING: Increase public and private financing and gender responsive budgeting (at sectoral and cross sectoral level and to specialized and grassroots women's rights organizations)^{vii} for scale up of quality, affordable multi-sectoral services to survivors of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity



ACCOUNTABILITY: Strengthen coordination of multi-sectoral service provision and application of accountability mechanisms to ensure adherence to agreed global standards of service provision for survivors of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity.



CAPACITY BUILDING: Strengthen capacities, leadership and accountability of police, justice, health and social service institutions to provide comprehensive, coordinated, survivor-centered and quality services to all gender-based violence survivors including by applying a focus on intersectionality to address institutional discrimination, gender stereotypes, and norms that perpetuate gender-based violence against women and girls, re-victimization and impunity. Build specialist gender-based violence expertise in humanitarian emergencies, at field level and in senior management, including through deployment of GBV experts from the outset of a crisis.

Action 4: Autonomous Girl-Led & Women's rights organisations are enabled and empowered to exercise their expertise in addressing GBV against women and girls in all their diversity.



FINANCING: Increase quality, coordinated, flexible and sustainable funding from private sector, foundations, states and other donors in consultation with and for girl-led and women's rights organizations and movements on the frontline of addressing gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity.



CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT: Support institutional strengthening and programming capacity of girl-led and women's rights organizations working to end gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity, to increase organizational sustainability and impact and drive transformative change.



LEADERSHIP & ACCOUNTABILITY: Strengthen the accountability of public institutions and private sector organizations to women's rights organizations to ensure their increased leadership and participation in decision making at all levels including in the context of COVID-19 and in other conflict and crisis settings.

How will the Actions be implemented?

Delivering on the promise of making gender equality a lived reality for all women and girls, 17 leaders together with several commitment makers across the globe will employ an intersectional approach through measured, targeted actions to deliver transformational change to end gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity. Investments will be accelerated to transform laws and policies, scale up evidence-driven prevention efforts, drive social norm change, bridge the financing gap, increase capacities of multiple stakeholders, improve data collection, strengthen services and enable and empower girl and women led women's rights organizations and movements.^{viii}

How will the Actions be monitored?

Action 1. Sub- Targets

- ✓ 550 million more women and girls will live in countries with laws and policies prohibiting all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls by 2026.
- ✓ 4000 private sector organisations adopt and implement GBV policies by 2026.
- ✓ 55 more countries will have no exceptions to legal age of marriage along with policy measures to end the practice by 2026 and three quarters of countries where FGM is known to be practiced will have legal prohibitions and policy measures against FGM in place by 2026.
- ✓ 9 in every 10 countries will finance and implement coordinated, comprehensive and multi-sectoral programming on GBV against women and girls including harmful practices by 2026.
- ✓ Increase by 25 % the number of countries that ratify international and regional conventions on GBV against women and girls by 2026.
- ✓ 159 countries globally will have at least one survey on the prevalence of violence against women from the last ten years by 2026.

Action 2. Sub -Targets

- ✓ Increase by 50% the number of countries that include one or more evidence-driven prevention strategies on gender-based violence against women and girls in national policies by 2026.
- ✓ Increase by 25% the number of people who endorse gender equitable beliefs in every country by 2026.
- ✓ Increase investment in evidence-driven prevention strategies by \$500,000,000 USD by 2026.
- ✓ 100 national governments revise and strengthen school and teacher training curricula to include effective approaches to prevent GBV and promote gender equality and respectful relationships by 2026.

Action 3. Sub-Targets

- ✓ Increase by 50% the number of countries with multi-sectoral action plans on GBV which include provision of police, justice, health and social sector services by 2026.
- ✓ 100 countries implement training and capacity building programmes/initiatives for law enforcement personnel on gender-responsive policing, including addressing gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity by 2026.
- ✓ Increase by 50 % the number of countries whose health sector protocols, guidelines or SOPs align with WHO/ international standards by 2026.
- ✓ Increase by 50% the number of countries that include training programmes or curriculum for health care providers in their health policies/protocols or in the national multisectoral plan by 2026.

Action 4. Sub-Targets

- ✓ Progressively improve and increase international funding by doubling funding to Women's rights organisations, activists and movements and women's funds including those working to address gender-based violence experienced by historically excluded groups that face multiple and intersecting form of discrimination by 2026.
- ✓ Increase national funding to girl led and women's rights organisations working to address GBV by \$500,000,000 USD by 2026.
- ✓ Increase leadership and meaningful participation of girl led and women's rights organisations and movements particularly those led by historically excluded women and girls facing multiple and intersecting forms of violence and discrimination, in national and international decision-making, by 2026.
- ✓ Women's rights organisations are represented in all GBV sub-cluster coordination mechanisms and lead at least 25% of them by 2026.
- ✓ 30 % of humanitarian funding to address GBV goes directly to Women's rights organisations by 2026.
- ✓ 50 % of countries track GBV specific national and international funding to autonomous girl led and women's rights organisations through a dedicated budget line for that purpose.



Iceland



United Kingdom



European Union



World Health Organization



UN Women



OutRight



Ford Foundation



KERING



Kenya



Uruguay



UN Women



UN Women



Breakthrough



Arabid



Niñas Líderas



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ENDNOTES:

ⁱ Women's rights organizations include; girl, youth-led and women-led organisations and initiatives, women's rights activists, grassroots women's organisations, women peace builders and human rights defenders

ⁱⁱ CEDAW general recommendation 19

ⁱⁱⁱ Violence against women prevalence estimates 2018. https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/documents/violence-prevention/vaw_report_web_09032021_oleksandr.pdf?sfvrsn=a82ef89c_5&download=true

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^v Powell, Sandy and Findling, 2015

^{vi} Adolescent girls at the center ICRW 2020.

^{vii} Ensuring an emphasis on victim/survivor/practitioner influence in shaping those services

^{viii} For example, coordinated action on addressing gendered power dynamics, discriminatory norms, and stereotypes, including harmful masculinities, could impact up to 30 million women and girls (almost 60% in low and lower-middle income countries), via prevention programming that targets communities and institutions, at the cost of approximately \$25 million.

How the Actions will be monitored?

Please, draft an overview **Metrics for Success / Indicators** for Actions with sub-targets where possible. Include the methodology for all targets in the appendix.



Gender-Based Violence -Potential Commitments Section

Action 1: Create an enabling policy, legal and resource environment for the elimination of GBV against women and girls in all their diversity

LAWS AND POLICIES

Potential Commitments

LAWS AND POLICIES

- States and regional actors commit to ratify and implement international and regional conventions that address violence and discrimination against women and girls in all their diversity including ILO convention 190, Istanbul Convention, Belem do Para convention, Maputo protocol, CEDAW etc. and remove state reservations.
- The EU, all EU Member States, including EU Accession countries, and all State Parties to the Council of Europe, commit to fully ratify the Istanbul Convention and implement it without reservation by 2026
- States commit to reverse discriminatory laws and support gender responsive legal frameworks and comprehensive, multisectoral policy and programmatic interventions to prevent and protect women and girls in all their diversity from child early and forced marriage (CEFM) and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), including in humanitarian settings and as part of peace settlements.
- Commit to ensuring that humanitarian and crisis preparedness and response plans (domestic and international) integrate a focus on gender equality considerations including gender-based

violence against women and girls in all their diversity into all levels of sectoral and inter-sectoral preparedness, coordination, leadership, strategic planning, monitoring and reporting including budgeted GBV prevention and response components.

- Private sector organizations commit to adopt and implement policies and action plans to prevent and respond to gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity including sexual harassment in the world of work and to actively prevent gender-based violence and harassment in the supply chain.
- Diverse multi-stakeholder partners commit to join the Spotlight Initiative as funding partners given its comprehensive and multi-sectoral approach adopted with a focus on enabling environment and institutional strengthening, prevention, comprehensive support services, improved data collection and dedicated support to the women's movement and organizations.
- States commit to develop and Implement legal and policy frameworks that adapts to realities of the digital presentation of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity. As well as streamline protocols for investigation, evidence gathering and communication with third parties such as online intermediaries or online content host.

FINANCING

Potential Commitments

- States and multiple stakeholder commit to increase financing and budgetary allocation for implementation of laws, policies and programmes to prevent and respond to gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity including in the context of COVID-19 through Gender Responsive Budgeting and the application of an intersectional approach which addressed power hierarchies and centers women and girls who experience multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination including women and girls with disabilities.

DATA

Potential Commitments

- Commit to the implementation of national prevalence surveys including surveys related to all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity and use of survey results to drive the adoption and implementation of policies and programmes including in humanitarian contexts.
- Countries commit to collect gender disaggregated data on GBV against women and girls in all their diversity covering, sex, age, religion, caste, class, race, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, migrant status, geographic location, and other socio-economic dimensions to inform policies, budgeting and improve response services.
- Commit to support the establishment of baseline data, data tracking and analysis of GBV specific targets and indicators adopted by the Action Coalition on GBV.

Action 2: Adapt and Scale up evidence driven prevention programming for the elimination of GBV against women and girls in all their diversity

PREVENTION STRATEGIES /NORMS:

Potential Commitments

- Commit to implementation and scale up of context specific evidence-driven prevention strategies at interpersonal, family, community, institutional and societal levels using RESPECT

women: a framework for preventing violence against women and including a focus on the intergenerational cycle of violence.

- Commit to the prevention of sexual violence against adolescent girls including intra-family violence and/or sexual abuse and invest in creating safety nets from backlash, for girls and young women, who take action to challenge norms in their communities and families.
- Commit to the prevention of harmful practices against girls, adolescent girls and young women including child early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation and promote interactive dialogues with communities, traditional and faith leaders.
- Commit to engage men and boys to build knowledge and capacity for them to become agents of change and actively engage in promoting gender equality and the elimination of gender-based violence. Build the evidence-base on engaging men and boys to GBV against women and girls in all their diversity through data collection and analysis and the development, implementation, piloting and evaluation of interventions that also address harmful masculinities including outreach programs to reach perpetrators of gender-based violence.
- Commit to integrate evidence-based gender-based violence prevention components within large-scale poverty reduction/social protection/health/education or livelihoods programmes and to include economic empowerment strategies and interventions as components of gender-based violence prevention and response strategies and initiatives.
- Commit to Investment in the development and support of global knowledge platforms sharing evidence based (including practitioner-based evidence) best practices in gender-based prevention and response among key stakeholders.

FINANCING

Potential Commitments

- Governments/donors commit to sustainable multi-year flexible investments (a minimum of \$500,000, 000 million USD) over the next 5 years to scale up evidence-based approaches* to prevent gender-based violence against women and girls in all their diversity across development and humanitarian contexts (*in line with the RESPECT Women Framework) and to build and promote the use of a rigorous global evidence base on what works to prevent GBV, including in schools and educational settings, disaster and protracted crisis contexts and for women and girls facing intersecting forms of discrimination, including women and girls with disabilities.

EDUCATION

- Education ministries and public and private schools and educational institutions commit to systematically implement effective approaches to prevent gender-based violence (including online violence), to promote equality and respect including among children from a very young age, to protect girls' rights to education especially in humanitarian contexts, to review and strengthen school curricula and to endorse and implement the Safe to Learn Call to Action.

Action 3: Scale up comprehensive, accessible, and quality services for survivors of GBV against women and girls in all their diversity

SERVICE DELIVERY

Potential Commitments

- Commit to implement specific actions in the Global Plan of Action to Strengthen the Role of the Health System in Addressing VAWG. This includes, supporting ministries of health and other partners to strengthen health systems' capacity in accordance with WHO standards.

- Commit to the creation of girl-friendly safe spaces and adolescent friendly comprehensive services for girl survivors of GBV in all their diversity.
- Commit to scale up support to survivors of trafficking and sexual exploitation including or particularly in humanitarian settings through the provision of survivor-centered and gender-sensitive community integration or reintegration support services that address the immediate and long-term needs of survivors.
- Governments commit to recognize the services provided by women’s rights organizations to all women and girls victims/survivors of GBV (including in the context of COVID-19) as essential services and to fund the provision these services including those provided by grassroots women’s rights organizations and in humanitarian settings.
- Countries commit to adopt and roll-out the Essential Services Package for Women and Girls Subject to Violence

FINANCING

Potential Commitments

- Governments commit to increase financing and budgetary allocation for gender-based violence services including through Gender Responsive Budgeting.
- Commit to galvanise international action for the adequate prioritisation and effective financing of GBV response in emergencies to ensure adequate risk mitigation and provision of response services.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Potential Commitments

- Commit to increase accountability for the inclusion of women and girls experiencing multiple, intersecting forms of discrimination by committing (and/or asking partners receiving financial support to demonstrate progress towards) the systematic collection, analysis and reporting of sex, age and disability-disaggregated data on needs, risks and barriers to reporting and accessing services, in line with safe and ethical practices.
- Commit to resource and promote the use of rosters of GBV specialists in humanitarian action, including those from local organisations, in line with the GBV Accountability Framework, for example by making financial contributions to GBV surge capacity rosters, such as the GBV AoR REGA.
- Commit to creating and nurturing gender inclusive spaces for women and girls in all their diversity, building capacities of community women's collectives to access their right to safety at all times, to access services, to center their leadership.

CAPACITY BUILDING

Potential Commitments

- Commit to multisectoral cooperation between law enforcement and other service providers to address GBV and to training and capacity building of law enforcement, the judiciary and relevant security sector actors which includes a focus on online GBV and which emphasizes an intersectional approach, thus promoting greater access to justice for women and girls in all their diversity and ensuring perpetrator accountability and the prevention of reoffending.
- Multiple stakeholder commit to support governments to ensure that violence against women is included in undergraduate/pre-service training curricula for health care providers (e.g.,

doctors, nurses, midwives) and to scale up pre-service and in-service training of health care providers to provide a survivor-centered, safe and effective response to survivors.

Action 4: Autonomous Girl-Led & Women's rights organisations are enabled and empowered to exercise their expertise in addressing GBV against women and girls in all their diversity

FINANCING

Potential Commitments

- Governments and regional bodies commit to addressing the shrinking civic society space by allocating increased and targeted funds to girl-led and women's rights organizations working on gender-based violence against women and girls; by strengthen funding mechanisms and partnerships to ensure that women's CSOs can access available and sustainable funds to continue their work ; by increasing emergency funding to women's rights organizations and for the protection and security for women human rights defenders and women peacebuilders.
- Increase flexible, core and long-term funding for WROs and feminist movements, including the proportion of project-based funding allocations and explicitly encourage support to women's rights organizations within general funding programmes for civil society.
- Commit to investments in the Spotlight Initiative as a model for delivering innovative and potentially transformational investments in autonomous girl-led and women's rights organizations.
- Commit to increase funding in UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women, the 25-year old UN-system wide grant-giving mechanism specialized in supporting demand driven CSOs/WROs projects and efforts.

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

Potential Commitments

- Commit to sustained financial resources to girl led and women's rights organizations, activists and practitioners to convene cross learning exchanges on GBV against women and girls in all their diversity, including through a global platform and ensure that all actors working with victims/survivors of GBV against women and girls (i.e. police, justice, medical, judicial, government etc.) work together with WROs to receive gender-sensitive training.

LEADERSHIP & ACCOUNTABILITY

Potential Commitments

- Commit to enabling the leadership and participation of girl led and women's rights organizations in domestic, regional and international spaces and in political, economic, and programmatic decision-making including across the development and humanitarian nexus.
- Commit to regular and transparent information-sharing and consultation ensuring that intergovernmental agendas on gender equality and humanitarian response plans are informed and inspired by Women's Rights Organizations and by girls, adolescents and young women.
- Commit to facilitating the legal registration of feminist organizations to facilitate their operation.