Women and Climate Change: the Neglected Battle

According to all the major International Organizations, there is an undeniable relation between gender equality and climate change. Climate change worsens existing conditions of vulnerability and exclusion, such as poverty, discrimination, violence, which heavily affect women's lives.

The Women-Climate Change nexus

Food insecurity

Increase in poverty and poverty-related indicators

Exclusion from public life and job opportunities

Gender-based violence

The UN estimates that 80% of the climate refugees are women. While 45% of women work in the agricultural sector, they only own the 5.2% of the arable land.

Water scarcity and environmental disasters will affect women disproportionally, especially in the Global South, where gender structures are more traditional.

Areas of intervention

Climate Finance

Representation and economic empowerment

Agriculture and land rights