



IFUW Update – 12 March 2014



International Federation of University Women news

International Women's Day - March 8

IFUW's Sheila Buemi-Moore has departed for Tanzania and Kenya where she will place an IFUW banner on the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro as a gesture of respect and solidarity for women worldwide. Sheila is trekking with the organisation Women Who Get High on Adventure (WHOA), which raises funds to support secondary education for girls, in particular Maasai girls. After the climb, Sheila will spend four days visiting the secondary school facilities that WHOA supports. Support Sheila and support girls' education! Please [make your donation here](#) or alternatively [email the office](#).

What is your NFA doing for International Women's Day? Please [email us](#) to share with other members. Read IFUW's press release [here](#).

Commission on the Status of Women

Twenty delegates from IFUW are currently attending the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. What is IFUW's position on the status of women? Login to [read our key messages, statements and brochure](#) on women in science.

National Federation and Association (NFA) news

Sweden

The [Swedish Association of University Women](#) (KAF) will actively participate in the [Nordic Forum](#), which will set the agenda on gender equality and women's rights and which is a follow up of the [Beijing Protocol](#). Approximately 15,000 women will attend the forum in the city of Malmö, Sweden on June 12-15.

Advocacy

IFUW Day 2014

IFUW Day on June 1st is fast approaching and this year's theme is "Education for girls and women in detention, displacement and refugee camps". To help members in their advocacy efforts, IFUW has produced the following advocacy materials for members of all our national associations: Policy Update, press release, fact sheet and action ideas. These materials were sent to all IFUW committees, NFA presidents and coordinators of international relations (CIRs). Have you seen them? [Please login to the website](#) to access IFUW Day materials and more.

IFUW Day webinars

To provide our national associations and federations with information on IFUW Day and possible activities, we will hold a webinar about the day. The webinar will be held on 10 April 2014, 09:30 Central European Summer Time and repeated on 15 April 2014, 18:00 Central European Summer Time. A webinar is a conference or presentation that you can listen to over the internet using your computer or smartphone. You can hear a presentation and also see the presenter's slides. Full instructions on how to join the webinar will be sent to you after you register. Register for the IFUW Day webinar by 7 April 2014 [here](#).

Fellowships opportunities

OPEC Foundation for International Development (OFID) is accepting applications from graduate students from developing countries for scholarship awards 2014/15. The main purpose of the scholarship programme is to sponsor outstanding young students to complete Master's degrees. Application deadline is 1 May 2014. [Read more](#)

Other information and events

March 3-28	Human Rights Council. Read IFUW's written statement
March 8	International Women's Day
March 10-26	Commission on the Status of Women. Read IFUW's statements
April 1-3	World Economic Forum on Latin America , Panama City
May 9-11	Meet and Greet the University Women of Europe , Amsterdam
May 5-9	Conference of the International Assoc. of Women Judges, Arusha
June 1	IFUW Day
August 17-22	Women's World Congress, Hyderabad

Did you know?

IFUW maintains official relations with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Tell us something that we don't know about IFUW! Email us at [ifuw\(at\)ifuw.org](mailto:ifuw(at)ifuw.org)



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