



IFUW Update – 18 December 2013



International Federation of University Women news

Outcomes of Board meetings

To keep you informed about the outcomes of the November 2013 board meetings in Geneva, please read the letter from IFUW President Catherine Bell to all IFUW members [here](#)

IFUW brochure

Please be informed that there is an IFUW brochure available in [print](#) and in [web](#) formats on the Members area of the IFUW website: http://ifuw.org/members_new/welcome/

Dr Sima Samar wins award

Dr Sima Samar, a friend of IFUW and Chair of the Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission, was awarded the Allard Prize for International Integrity for her work as an advocate for human and women's rights in Afghanistan. [Watch video interview](#), filmed at the IFUW Triennial Conference in Istanbul.

National Federation and Association (NFA) news

India

The President of University Women's Association Madras (Chennai), a member of the Indian Federation of University Women's Associations (IFUWA), Ms Mythili Sundar, has published an article on sexual harassment in the workplace in The Hindu newspaper. She is also an IFUW Resolutions Committee member [Read more](#)

Turkey

In one of Turkey's main newspapers (Hürriyet) several women's associations, including the Turkish Association of University Women (TAUW), published a full page advertisement calling the government to include more active women's institutions in the Parliament and Ministry.

Advocacy

United Nations Human Rights Council #HRC25

Did you know that NFAs can participate in the Human Rights Council? Please consult the HRC [NGO Participation page](#) for information and guidelines. What is the Human Rights Council? - <http://goo.gl/ZPN5d>

Continuing education: Financial literacy

Read the Human Rights Council work on fiscal and tax policy [here](#)

Financial literacy: Savings products for vulnerable adolescent girls

A project, carried out for girls aged 10-14 and 15-19 with four financial institutions, two in Kenya and two in Uganda, found that saving “promotes independence and lessens risky dependency, and helps girls develop a future orientation through financial and non-financial goal setting”. Girls develop safety nets, confidence, and communication skills that help them navigate the world around them. [Read more](#)

Other information and events

Jan 13-16	Annual Conference of the Southern African Association for Research in Mathematics, Science and Technology Education, Port Elizabeth, South Africa
Feb 5-12	IFUW Board meetings, Geneva
Mar 3-28	Human Rights Council, Geneva
Mar 8	International Women’s Day
Mar 10-26	Committee on the Status of Women (#CSW58), New York
May 5-9	Biennial Conference of the International Association of Women Judges, Arusha, Tanzania
May 12-14	Oslo Freedom Forum , Oslo

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