#### GWI UPDATE 30 March 2016



GWI members from Finnish Federation of Graduate Women and Association Congolaise des Femmes Diplomées des Universités attending CSW60, New York

### — Graduate Women International news —

# Graduate Women International (GWI) calls for abstracts for the GWI 32<sup>nd</sup> Triennial Conference, Cape Town

Abstracts are invited for the <u>Graduate Women International (GWI) 32nd Triennial Conference</u> taking place 24-25 August 2016 in Cape Town, South Africa. The <u>programme</u>, under the theme 'At the crossroads of education, gender and human rights', will focus discussion on four key strands: a) Managing complexity in education b) New technologies and their impact on secondary, tertiary and continuing education c) Human rights and education – from teenager to adult in education and active life, and d) Access to education for girls and women. The event offers exciting opportunities to engage on these critical issues and for international networking. Upload abstracts for seminars and workshops <u>here</u>. Early bird rates are still available!

### — GWI member news —

### GWI member events at the 60<sup>th</sup> Commission on the Status of Women in New York

In a side event at the 60<sup>th</sup> Commission on the Status of Women the traditional Helvi Sipilä seminar, the <u>Finnish Federation of Graduate Women</u> (FFGW) and Jolie Massay from the <u>Association Congolaise des Femmes Diplomées des Universités</u> (ACOFDU) co-presented on Women, Peace and Security. According to Päivi Kannisto, Chief of the Peace and Security Unit of UN Women, women's integral participation and representation in decision-making enhances the quality of peace and security work and outcomes – not to mention that it is also a human right. Jolie Massay, from the Congolese Federation of University Women, hopes that in the future all girls in the Democratic Republic of Congo could be given free schooling in order to facilitate their meaningful participation in peace processes. For a full report, please see <u>here</u>.

### — Advocacy —

The <u>UN Women Training Centre eLearning Campus</u> is a global innovative online platform for training for gender equality. It is open to everybody interested in using training or learning as a means to advance gender equality, women's empowerment and women's rights. The site intends to deliver high quality training for gender equality by offering a diverse range of self-paced, moderated, blended and face-to-face courses, tools and services. Visit the eLearning Campus <u>here</u>. GWI advocates for access to lifelong quality education for all women and girls. Read our <u>manifestos</u> here.

## — Call for applications —

#### Call for applicants for the 10th and 11th Ewha Global Empowerment Programme

The Ewha Global Empowerment Programme (EGEP) is running two sessions, 10<sup>th</sup> EGEP 10-24 July 2016 and 11<sup>th</sup> EGEP 6-22 January 2017, under the theme of 'Transnational Feminism and Women's Activism'. It is a two week residential educational programme aiming to promote education for women and gender equality in Asia and Africa by empowering women working in non-governmental public sectors and by nourishing the next generation of women leaders. Please visit the <u>Asian Centre for Women's Studies</u> or email <a href="mailto:egep@ewha.ac.kr">egep@ewha.ac.kr</a> for more information.

### — Membership—

<u>Give the gift of membership!</u> Do you know a graduate woman who would like to join the leading women's international organisation that works to empower girls and women through access to lifelong, quality education and training? <u>Give the gift of membership</u> to join a global community of some 20,000 members in 80 countries, either as a GWI independent member or national member of one of our National Federations and Associations (NFAs).

### — Other information and events —

April April April June June	07 - 08 08 - 10 22 - 24 24 - 25 24 - 27	Bricks and Clicks for Europe Galway, Ireland European Women and Sport Conference Stockhom, Sweden The Gender Construction of Society Conference Bucharest, Romania Canadian Federation of University Women AGM Ontario, Canada University Women of Europe AGM and Conference Winchester, UK
July August Nov	21 - 23 08 - 19 28 - 30	3 <sup>rd</sup> Network Gender and STEM Conference 2016 Newcastle, UK Women's Human Rights Education Institute Intensive Toronto, Canada 5 <sup>th</sup> International Conference of Women's Museums, Mexico City

August 21 – 23 GWI General Assembly, Cape Town, South Africa (members only)
August 24 – 26 GWI Triennial Conference, Cape Town, South Africa (open to the public)

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