



Advocacy report template

GWI advocacy goals

1. 100% of UN Member States commit to policy, legislation, budget and infrastructure to facilitate transition of girls from primary to secondary school and ensure gender parity and gender equality throughout secondary education by 2030.
2. By 2030 100% of UN low income Member States have increased access to tertiary education for girls and women by 50%.
3. 100% of UN Member States commit to and implement policies for continuing education to empower women throughout the life course, within the formal and informal economies.

Please bear in mind these three overarching, long-term goals in any UN intervention that you make on behalf of GWI. Any intervention should push these three goals further.

NB: *Although these goals represent GWI's mission, UN Reps are also invited to promote GWI key messages on areas where especially relevant e.g. women in STEM, securing investment in women teachers, addressing barriers to girls' education such as child marriage.*

Meeting attended: (place, date, time, name of meeting)

UNICEF NGO Committee Meeting; Church Center, May 31,2018; 10:00a.m.

Antonia Antonopolus - Head of UNICEF Civil Society Partnerships

Debra Jones - NGO CU Co-Chair; Save the Children

Sofia Garcia-Garcia - NGO CU Co-Chair; SOS Children's Village

Elizabeth Schuman - NGO CU Treasurer; Ambassador to Association for Child Education Institute

Subject of meeting:

IMPORTANT FOR GWI

1. UNICEF will be calling for a **World Summit on Children** for **November 20, 2018** to address the rights of children and adolescents and to look at issues not covered in the initial Convention on the Rights of Children. Governments, civil society, private corporations, and children will be invited to participate.

2. UNICEF is launching a **Young People's Agenda**, which will place increased attention on the 2nd decade of the child (11-20 years of age) in three major areas:

- a. education
- b. job skills training
- c. empowerment

Refers to SDG no #: (please reference)

SDG 3,4

Relevant treaties/conventions/resolutions:

CRC 30

Intervention by GWI rep: (what you did)

1. Discussed GWI's emphasis on the importance of secondary and tertiary education for girls.
2. Informed those present of our statement on Early/Child Marriage and Education.

How this serves GWI members:

- a. Explain trends in development in this particular subject.
- b. Explain why these trends and developments are relevant to GWI and NFAs.
- c. Outline what needs to be done at international and national levels.

GWI should plan something for the World Summit on Children. In addition, UNICEF's emphasis on adolescents and young adults, especially girls, presents GWI with a wonderful opportunity to collaborate on reaching our goals for increased secondary and tertiary education for girls as well as life-long learning.

Next steps:(what needs to be done)

Volunteered to work with NGO CU to draft a statement to be presented to the Executive Board in September and to work on setting up a side event. I will forward any new information I receive regarding these new initiatives.

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