



Sustainable Development Goals Working Group

# INTERLINKED

Finding links between Sustainable Development Goals

## CLIMATE CHANGE & GENDER EQUALITY

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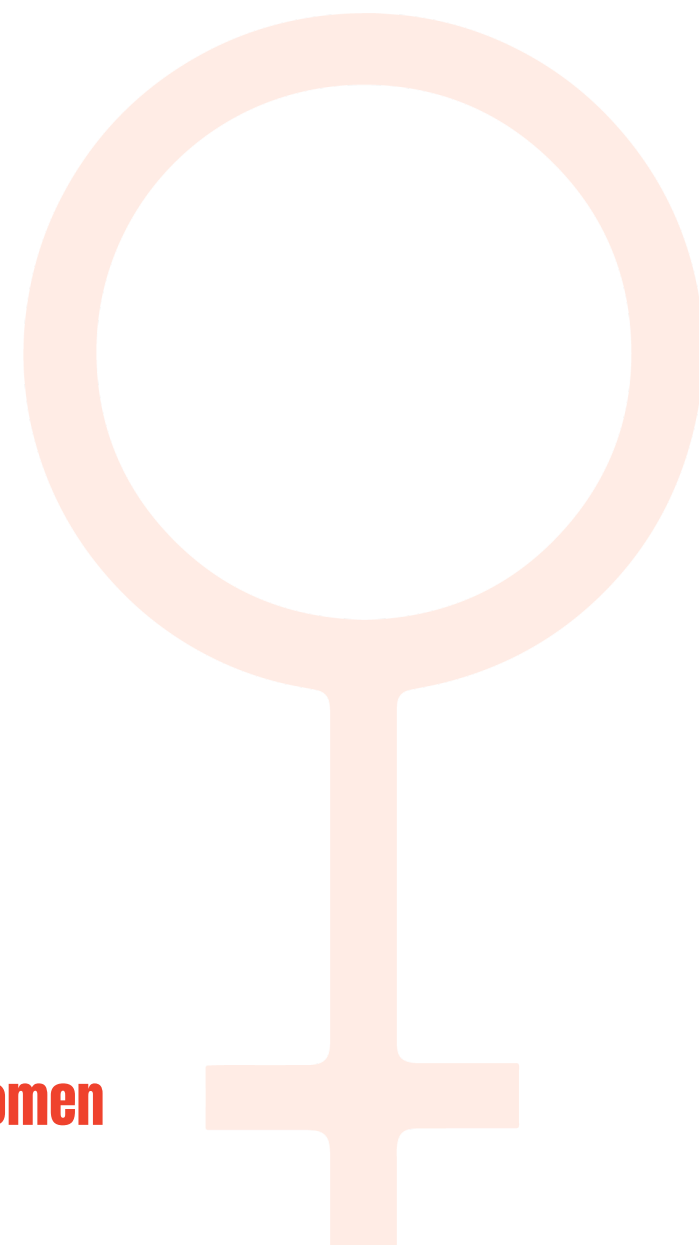


Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

5 GENDER EQUALITY



Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls



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### Women on the frontline of climate change



The consequences of climate change **disproportionately affects** more women and girls, in particular in **developing countries** where they are responsible for securing resources like water, food and energy (UNWomen, 2019).



80%

of people displaced by climate change are women (UN, 2016).

### Women missing in climate decision-making



of national parliaments seats in the EU held by women in 2019 (Eurostat, 2020).



Women's **unequal participation** in decision-making processes **reinforces inequalities** and prevents them from fully contributing to the planning, development and implementation of climate-related policies.

### Women leading the change for climate

Yet, women play a **critical role** in response to climate change due to their local knowledge of and leadership in climate related issues. According to a study, countries with **more women in parliament** were more likely to ratify environmental treaties, reflecting **higher support** for environmental protection (UNDP, 2011).

