

The German G7 Presidency ends:

Women7 takes positive stock

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The German <u>G7 Presidency</u> ends at the end of this year, which also marks the end of the civil society <u>Women7-Dialogue</u>, <u>hosted</u> by the Deutscher Frauenrat (National Council of German Women's Organizations). From 2023 onwards, Japan will take over the G7 as well as the W7 presidency.

Guided by the motto "Time to deliver on a gender-just future!," the international Women7 network of over 60 W7 Advisors from 24 countries developed powerful gender equality policy demands to the G7. The <u>G7 Leaders' Communiqué</u> that the G7 took up some of the W7 demands from the <u>Women7-Communiqué</u>. You may find a comprehensive analysis in the <u>W7 Report Card</u>.

Dr. Beate von Miquel, Chairwoman of the German Women's Council, comments:

"Looking back, we take stock after one year of the German G7 presidency: With the international W7 network, we have succeeded in bringing together diverse voices from around the world and in continuing to put gender equality on the G7 agenda. For example, the 'Dashboard on Gender Gaps' is a concrete measure that responds to our call for accountability mechanisms. However, G7 have to follow up on these and other gender equality commitments. We also call on the German government to ensure meaningful civil society participation during Japan's G7 presidency."

UPCOMING DATES

The official handover from W7 Germany to W7 Japan in Tokyo is scheduled d for January 2023. The international W7 network is expected to continue their work under the Japanese W7 presidency. The W7 summit will take place in April. The G7 Summit will be held in Hiroshima from May 19-21, 2023.









OUTCOMES OF G7 2022

With the "G7 Dashboard on Gender Gaps," the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) is entrusted with monitoring the gender equality progress of the G7 countries in the areas of labor market, education, health, and protection against violence, among others. For that, the G7 countries must submit data annually.

Overall, Women7 notes a heightened awareness at G7 of the interconnectedness of multiple crises and their gendered impacts. For example, G7 countries acknowledge that the Covid-19 pandemic disproportionately affected women and girls and call for unpaid care work to be recognized, reduced, and redistributed. Further, the language has become more progressive and inclusive, for example, referring to trans and non-binary people, as well as LGBTIQ* people.

The full analysis of how W7 demands are reflected in G7 can be found in the W7 Report Card.

BACKGROUND

<u>Women7</u> is an official engagement group of the G7. This year, it gathered more than 60 representatives of feminist organizations and interest groups from 24 countries. The <u>Deutscher Frauenrat</u> (National Council of German Women's Organizations) hosted the Women7 Dialogue during the German G7 Presidency.

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