



2021 Global 16 Days Campaign Calendar of Events and Activities

#LetsEndFemicide | #30YearsOfActivism | #RatifyILO190

We are so excited to kick off this year's [Global 16 Days Campaign](#), the longest running campaign to end violence against women (VAW). 2021 marks the 30th anniversary of the Global 16 Days Campaign (the Campaign). The Center for Women's Global Leadership ([CWGL](#)) launched the Global 16 Days Campaign at its first Women's Global Leadership Institute in 1991 with feminists from around the world, to raise awareness about VAW and to secure its recognition as a human rights violation. The Campaign has been used widely in over 180 countries by more than 6,000 organizations and entities including UN agencies and governments.

Inspired by the original vision and history of the Campaign, which focused on raising awareness about VAW, and considering the continuing impunity for femicide, this year the Campaign will focus on the issue of ending "femicide or the gender-related killing of women." Many reported surges in femicide in different parts of the world and the ongoing impunity as well as acts of state violence against activists demanding accountability for femicide are three reasons why this issue was chosen. Since this is an anniversary year, we will launch our efforts during the annual campaign and continue our activities through March 2022.

In 2021, in addition to the anniversary theme, the Campaign will continue to prioritize activities linked to the multi-year theme of ending gender-based violence (GBV) in the world of work by focusing on the link between "domestic violence and the world of work," drawing on legal standards outlined in ILO Convention 190 ([C190](#)) and the actions put forward in Recommendation 206 ([R206](#)). The Campaign's call for the ratification of ILO C190 will continue.

COVID-19 has presented us with new challenges which call for individual and collective solutions. Let's continue our efforts all year round from 16 to 365 days of activism, to advance the human rights of women. A world without violence is possible and this moment demands unparalleled courage and joint action to make this vision a reality.



Current line-up of activities

- Release of the 2021 Global 16 Days Campaign Advocacy Guide and a Social Media Toolkit with a focus on the theme “End Femicide” (*November 15, 2021*)
- Release of the 2021 Global 16 Days Campaign Advocacy Guide and a Social Media Toolkit with a focus on the theme “Domestic Violence and the World of Work” (*November 23, 2021*).
- Webinar hosted by Feminist Alliance for Rights (FAR) at CWGL and co-sponsored by the Global 16 Days Campaign titled “Toward Ratification of C190: Lessons from the Ground” on December 1, 2021, at 8 AM EST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).
- Webinar co-sponsored by Global 16 Days Campaign with Solidarity Center, Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO), HomeNet International, International Domestic Workers Federation (IDWF), International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC), International Transport Workers’ Federation (ITF), StreetNet International and Global Alliance of Wastepickers titled “Accountability and Safety for All: The Impact of Domestic Violence on Workers in the Informal Economy” on December 2, 2021, at 9:00 AM EST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).
- Webinar co-sponsored by Global 16 Days Campaign with Journalism Initiative on Gender-Based Violence (JiG) and National Indigenous Women’s Resources Center (NIWRC) titled “Crimes of Power: Reporting on Femicide” on December 6, 2021, at 10 AM PST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).
- Online event co-hosted by Global 16 Days Campaign and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) titled “Making Femicide Visible: Where is the data?” December 6, 2021, 8:30 AM EDT. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).
- Webinar hosted by Global 16 Days Campaign to highlight the work of Public Safety and Equity Initiative (PSEI) on December 10, 2021, at 8:00 AM EDT. (Public event)

The Campaign’s participation in other events

- Charlotte Bunch, Founding Director of CWGL will participate in the Official Commemoration of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women hosted by UN Women on November 24 at 10 AM EST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).
- Krishanti Dharamaj, Executive Director of CWGL will participate as a speaker for a virtual event on “#RatifyC190: For a World of Work Free from Violence and Harassment” hosted



by International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) on November 25, 2021, at 10 AM EST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).

- Melissa Upreti, Senior Director for Program and Global Advocacy at CWGL participated in a podcast titled “Creating a Nuanced Understanding of Femicide” launched by Womankind Worldwide and FEMNET on November 25, 2021. Link [here](#).
- Ardra Manasi, Campaign Manager for the Global 16 Days Campaign will participate as a panelist for a virtual event on “Femicide: Exploring the theme” hosted by Equality Bahamas on November 25, 2021, at 6:00 PM EST. (Public event)
- Krishanti Dharamaj, Executive Director of CWGL will participate as a moderator for a virtual event on “People of Faith Respond to the Hidden Pandemic Violence Against Women” hosted by The Episcopal Diocese of New York on December 1, 2021, at 7 PM EST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).
- Krishanti Dharamaj, Executive Director of CWGL will participate as a speaker for a virtual event on “Human Rights Day: Defending our Human Right to Sexual and Reproductive Health ” hosted by United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) on December 10, 2021, at 9 AM EST. (Public event) Link to register [here](#).

Join the 2021 Campaign

Look out for the Global 16 Days Campaign Digital Action Plan with key dates (to be released soon)

Meanwhile, here’s what you can do:

- Download and disseminate the 2021 Global 16 Days Campaign Advocacy Guides and [Social Media Toolkits](#). You can find the Femicide Advocacy Guide [here](#) and the Domestic Violence and the World of Work Advocacy Guide [here](#).
- [Submit](#) your Global 16 Days Campaign events/activities/meetings to be featured on our website and digital [map](#).
- Download Global 16 Days Campaign Advocacy Guides (on the themes “End Femicide” and “Domestic Violence and the World of Work”) for a discussion of the issues and recommended actions that can be undertaken from November 25-December 10, 2021, and 365 days of the year.
- Add a #16DaysCampaign [frame](#) to your profile picture.



- Follow us on our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) channels @16DaysCampaign, where we will be sharing further updates and announcements on upcoming events/activities.
- Join the conversation on the two parallel themes by tagging your 16 Days activities/reflections with **#LetsEndFemicide, #RatifyILO190, #30YearsOfActivism and #16DaysCampaign.**
- Let us know if you have something important to say and would like to contribute a blog post. We have received several from our allies and will disseminate them during the Campaign.

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