

World-CWS

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Welcome to the Spring 2021 inaugural edition of the World-CWS-Messenger, a digital newsletter of the World Center for Women's Studies, which includes the documents and archive about post-conference events; disseminate information about annual conferences; publishes news about members' academic accomplishments; and provides space for members to have on-going dialogs on critical issues relevant to gender problems. The Messenger will be covering 1) post-conference recaps and 2) annual conference planning and call for papers. We welcome your suggestions and submissions. If your thoughts are relevant to our annual conference theme, we will be glad to bring them to the global community's attention via global gender messenger.



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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Barbara Wejnert, Ph.D.
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In March 2015 in Colombo, Sri Lanka, during the 1st Annual World Conference on Women's Studies organized by TIKM in Sri Lanka, conference participants established the World Center for Women's Studies (World-CWS) as an organization intended to serve and benefit men and women, and women's organizations that provide service, research, and support to women's empowerment worldwide. The World-CWS also advocates for global gender equality by conducting policy research and designing models for their practical application.

The main objective of the World-CWS is to protect women's rights and overall well-being, improve access to education, and enhance economic empowerment.

Through the proposal of policies and action plans that stem from research and exchange of information about academic empirical research and case studies in the field of women's and gender studies, the Center aims to benefit women worldwide via carefully designed, established, and tested grassroots programs and policies that improve their daily life. With such goals in mind, the participants of the Annual World Conferences on Women's Studies, that took place for the past 6 years in cities across continents; Colombo, Sri Lanka; Rome, Italy; Warsaw, Poland; Amity, India; New York City, USA; and Buffalo, USA (virtual), presented results of studies that are being published in peer reviewed, academic journals for a broad scholarly distribution.

Working together with scholars across the world, the Center serves as a channel of communication and networking with and between men and women, society-at-large, and organizations that promote gender equality and women's advancement. Scholarly interactions and collaboration are further enhanced via annual meetings of the WORLD-CWS, organizations of regional and local conferences and seminars. Interactions of scholars from different regions/countries enhances their collaborative work aimed at achieving greater gender equality.

With Gandhi's motto in mind, the World Center for Women's Studies is issuing a call to exchange ideas, build collaborative networks, and brainstorm new research pursuits during our Annual Meetings of the World Center for Women's Studies taking place each year in a different country across the world.

Cordially,

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GREETINGS FROM THE PUBLICATION COMMITTEE



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The Publication Committee proudly presents the 2021 inaugural edition of the “**World-CWS Messenger**” digital newsletter. The World-CWS has concluded its sixth international conference in 2020. The Executive Committee has put forward the brilliant notion to assemble a digital newsletter, to archive and convey World-CWS's messages to the international community. We strongly believe that “The Messenger” will bridge our member communities from international locations to do more innovative research and disseminate findings. There is so much exciting information available to distribute in the “World-CWS Messenger.” However, as the inaugural edition, we focus on the present achievements, developments, and contributions from the 2020-2021 conferences.

The publication committee brings you the following news:

- President's Greetings
- Greetings from the Publication Committee
- Messages from Vice Presidents
- Perspectives of the World-CWS
- Messages from the Executive Members
- Key events from the 2020 Virtual Conference: the Keynote Speakers' Messages, Conference Sessions Chairs' reports, the 2020 Conference Recaps; Highlights from the 2020 Conference.
- We also highlight the upcoming events, such as the Webinar series for 2021, the forthcoming 2021 WCWS conference, our members' conferences publications, and acknowledgments.

The Publication Committee believes that “The Messenger” will continue to serve as a foundation for enhancing global communities' perception of gender issues, enrich communication, professional development, scholarly discourse, and, most importantly, highlight our dedication and productivity for future generations.

We are so grateful to those who have submitted documents to the inaugural edition of the Messenger. We encourage World-CWS members and students to contribute news about their academic achievements and plans. We also encourage submissions regarding faculty and students' research and conferences (published or presented) from cross-disciplines.

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Maria Anita Stefanelli, Ph.D.

**Chair and Professor of
American Literature,
Roma Tre University (Rome, Italy)
Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin**

As World CWS we wish to speak to academics who conceive of the woman's condition as a still unresolved question. Empowerment is the magic word we have evoked in our talks, focused on in our political conferences, discussed in our publications. That is not yet, however, a reality or a fact of life in society at large. That a government officially announces – as happens today – their withdrawal from the Convention adopted for the prevention of gender violence and domestic violence means that we are still confronted with an incomparable challenge that is worth studying and pursuing in more depth to make the world a place where respect for every human creature may settle in, and human rights be a prerogative of all. Young scholars, whose experience of this pandemic comes at a time when inspiration towards ethical ideals has shown to be at its maximum, are especially welcome in the hope that they may find the way towards a sense of gender equality that has been on the agenda for decades but remains under threat.

Sincerely,

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The World Centre for Women's Studies is a forum to project, discuss and resolve for a better future of the women who face oppression in one form or the other. It is a sad reality that some women are disenfranchised even today, there are plenty of new hurdles women face in this apparently equal world. WCWS gives a platform to discuss the relationship between power, gender, empowerment, politics, conflicts & peace and different dimensions of basic rights of women. This gives an opportunity to ponder upon feminism, gender equality, sexuality and to many other issues related to women in economic, cultural, social, ethnic, health and literary spheres to achieve an equal world for all.

Sincerely,

MEET THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Prof. Barbara Wejnert

BARBARA WEJNERT is a Professor of Global Gender Studies, and Environment and Sustainability at College of Arts and Sciences, University at Buffalo. She is the Founding Chair of the Department of Global Gender Studies at the University at Buffalo and a former faculty member and the Director of Academic Programs at Cornell University. She is the author of ten books and nearly 70 scholarly articles and chapters in academic books. Her research concerns are the worldwide diffusion of democracy, and the effects of democratization on the well-being of societies, especially on women and girls. Her teaching interests includes sociology, gender justice, environmental justice, global democracy, and development.



Prof. Maria Anita Stefanelli

MARIA ANITA STEFANELLI teaches American literature in the Department of Foreign Languages, Literatures and Cultures at Università Roma Tre, Italy. Her research concerns eighteenth- and nineteenth-century American literature, twentieth-century American poetry and American drama. She is currently working on Elizabeth Vesey and the Bluestocking coterie in Ireland, Britain and America. She has published several books, book chapters, and a number of research articles with international publishers. Her most recent books are an edition of 'Performing Gender and Violence in Contemporary Transnational Contexts' (2018) and a coedition of 'Bob Dylan and the Arts' (2020).



Prof. Jasbir Singh

JASBIR SINGH is a Professor of Economics, University of Jammu, Jammu, India. He is the Dean in the Department of Economics, University of Jammu. His teaching and research interests are mainly on Indian Economy, Gender Economics and Development Economics. Professor Singh has written several books, book chapters, research articles on different dimensions of the subject area of economics and published with world class publishers. Currently, Prof Singh is Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Director, Centre for Study of Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy, University of Jammu, Jammu J&K

MEET THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Prof. Jeeva Niriella

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Prof. Anupama Vohra

ANUPAMA VOHRA is a Professor of English at University of Jammu, India. Professor Vohra was selected as Fellow in Residence at IIAS, Shimla (2012-14). Among the other academic and administrative responsibilities Prof. Vohra currently renders her service as Coordinator of the Post graduate Program of the Directorate of Distance Education of the University of Jammu. Professor Vohra is also Convener Publication Cell of the University and brings out peer reviewed journals and the University newsletter. Her research interests are mainly on gender studies, testimonial literature, conflict and regional literature. She has published two books, book chapters and a number of research articles with world renowned publishers.



Prof. Izabela Skorzynska

IZABELA SKORZYNSKA is a graduate of Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan (Poland) where she also received her PhD and she completed post-doctoral studies at Laval University in Québec (Canada). She has served as history teacher, journalist and theater reviewer, assistant, assistant professor and, is currently Associate Professor at the Faculty of Historical Studies at AMU. She is also the Head of Education Council at the School of Humanities AMU (2020-2024). She has published in memory studies, history of women in Central and Eastern Europe and didactics of history. She co-hosted with prof. Anna Wachowiak the WCWS Conference in Warsaw 2019. She conducted two sessions at WCWS in India (2018) and in the virtual one at Buffalo (2020)



Prof. Bishnu Charan Barik

BISHNU CHARAN BARIK is a former Vice-Chancellor of Sambalpur University, Odisha, India. He was also a former Director and Senior Professor of Sociology at School of Social Sciences, Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded, Maharashtra. His research interest areas are Agrarian Studies, Labor Migration, Weaker Sections and Water Management. He has published eight books and several research articles in reputed national and international journals. Currently, Professor Barik holds Tagore National Fellowship, a prestigious fellowship of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

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PERSPECTIVES

By. Prof. Barbara Wejnert
President, World-CWS

World Center for Women's Studies is a vibrant and upcoming organization of innovative thinkers, scholars, scientists, policymakers, and activists devoted to working on ending global gender disparity jointly. Our mission is to create the most extensive solidarity, and a global network of scholars, researchers, policymakers, and activists working together on ending gender disparity and paving the way for the dawn of empowerment of the disfranchised. We, women and men, scholars and activists, call for equality of rights, education, health, access to clean air and water, a sustainable environment, and opportunities to succeed for all. We work through women leaders advocating, educating, conducting research, and making policies to uplift and build a brighter, better, and more sustainable future for women and men alike.

Simultaneously, the organization is intended to be a channel of communication and networking of women and men with society-at-large and organizations that promote women's advancement. World-CWS works through annual meetings of academics, practitioners, and policymakers concerned with global gender inequality to achieve the latter goal.



Participants representing multiple countries from across all continents meet, share scholarly work, educate and undertake collaborative research discussing pressing issues, and addressing obstacles on the path to global gender equality. Through advising, collaboration on research projects, and raising awareness, members of the Center publish scholarly work and propose policies that could combat gender inequality and disempowerment of women compared to men across races and ethnic groups worldwide. The latter includes the current most urgent need to address the interconnectedness of environmental degradation and the global pandemic with gender inequality. To mark the next Millennium as a Millennium of sustainability and systemic equality for all, let women be the lead in creating the most Socially Equal, Post-COVID future for ALL.

World-CWS: Marching to End Global Gender Disparities Using Power of Science, Innovative Thinking and Experience

6TH WORLD CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES

Environment and Gender Equity in the Post-COVID World

Virtual and Streamed | October 30-31, 2020

KEYNOTE ADDRESSES:

Endorsing a call of the United Nations' Women Leaders to "Women Rise for All", the World Center for Women's Studies (World-CWS) marks this millennium as a millennium of sustainability and systemic equality and calls for women to lead in creating the most socially equal, Post-COVID future for all.

The Covid-19 pandemic has exposed the diversity and inequality across the World and in the United States in nearly every domain of social life, and also has laid bare the discontents. It also exposed world vulnerability to global spread of disasters, including pandemics and environmental disasters. In this context, the Program Committee conceived of thematic sessions designed to shed light on the manifold ways in which Covid-19 has affected our lives, and particularly the lives of women and girls, each of which builds on this program theme: **Environment and Gender Equity in the Post-COVID World.**

The conference's meeting sessions included:

- Women's Leadership & Environment
- Gender Equality & Sustainability
- Protection of Women's Rights
- Inclusiveness & Cultural Diversity
- Environment & Women's/Girls' Health
- Gender Equity & Education

Hon'ble Geoffrey Harris, Former Deputy Head of the European Parliament Liaison Office with the US Congress and formerly Head of the Human Rights Unit within the Secretariat General of the European Parliament (Directorate General for external policies DGEXPO).

Dr. Seetha Arambepola, Hon. State Minister, Ministry of Skills development, Vocational Education, Research & Innovations, Sri Lanka

Sr. Mary John Mananzan, O.S.B. V.P. of External Affairs of St. Scholastica's College, Manila, Philippines, Executive Director of the Institute of Women's Studies, and Superior of the Manila Community of St. Scholastica's College, Manila, Philippines

Dr. Tara Jabbaar-Gyambrah, CEO, TMJ Consulting, LLC. Adjunct Professor – Sociology Department, Niagara University

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2020

“ENVIRONMENT AND GENDER EQUITY IN POST COVID WORLD”



The global crisis brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic is reshaping the world. The pandemic is slowly worsening the darker aspects of socio-economics and gender equity has suffered a brutal blow amidst the crisis. During this pandemic, women and girls may be at higher risk of intimate partner violence and other forms of domestic violence due to increased tensions in the household. With women representing a majority of the health and social sector workforce globally, special attention should be given to how their work environment may expose them to discrimination, as well as their sexual and reproductive health and psychosocial needs as frontline health workers. Moreover, the closure of schools and workplaces, and older relatives possibly getting sick, is likely to cause their unpaid workload to further increase. Understanding this situation, leaders, policy makers and other parties should play their role to minimize the damage on the delicate balance caused by the pandemic.

Hon. State Minister
Dr. Seetha Arambepola
Ministry of Skills development,
Vocational Education,
Research & Innovations
SRI LANKA

**“The Global Health Crisis
Brought about by the Covid-19
Pandemic Reshaped the World”**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2020

Mr. Geoffrey Harris is currently the Deputy Head of the European Parliament Liaison Office with the US Congress and formerly Head of the Human Rights Unit within the Secretariat General of the European Parliament (Directorate General for external policies DGEXPO). This unit provides the back-up for the sub-committee, a parliamentary body working in the framework of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the European Parliament. The unit provides back-up for all initiatives and aspects of the work of the institution concerning human rights (the President, the Development and External Trade committees and the Inter parliamentary delegations). Mr. Harris has been an EP official since 1976 and previously was in charge of the European Parliament's delegations dealing with EU enlargement and relations with other neighboring countries.



Hon. Geoffrey Harris

In my keynote I will link the themes of your conference to the wider issue of the culture wars going on in modern politics and in society. I will mention current events in the US but set them in a wider historical and global context.

Since the end of the Cold War in 1990 the focus of political life in many western countries has shifted from the economy to identity. In 1992 Bill Clinton was elected President telling his team that the decisive issue would be "the economy, stupid." In 2016 Hillary Clinton lost a Presidential election to a candidate talking of solving the economic problems of the left-behind but galvanizing them with the language of culture wars.

This conference will address gender equity in the context of the global environmental crisis. It will look ahead to the post-Covid world. It would be overly simplistic to see all these trends as totally linked, let alone to assume collusion or

conspiracy between those with converging views in different places (UK leader is pro-Brexit and attacks the liberal elite but does not deny climate change or undermine abortion rights). Poland's leaders do not challenge EU membership but do challenge abortion and gay rights and was considering withdrawing from the Istanbul Convention on domestic violence. The post-Covid world is, however, already visible, even as the pandemic remains largely unabated. It will be a world in which negative trends in terms of gender equity and environmental catastrophe are set to be enhanced. Denial of the scientific truth on ecological and health issues is central to current realities. The enrolment of religion as part of an ongoing culture war is facilitated by leaders and movements trying, and too often succeeding, in obliging citizens to make a choice between their religious faith and scientific reality. Covid will just go away, the fires will just die down. The melting ice-caps are just incidents, not part of any trend.

In spite of the dramatic nature of current events and the particular tensions of the US election it is vital to see things in a wider context.

- Culture wars distract from real political choices. They confuse and weaken those with less power to shape the way choices are approached.
- Culture wars were initiated in modern US politics by the Reverend Pat Buchanan in the 1992 Presidential election.

The phrase "culture war" refers to the German Kulturkampf, namely the clash between cultural and religious groups in Germany on the 1870s when Bismarck was challenging the influence of the Catholic Church. In America in the 1920s urban and rural American values came into conflict as society responded to decades of immigration to the States by people who earlier European immigrants considered "alien." Sloganeering about "America First" and anti-Semitism emerged as strong influences at that time.

- Denial of climate change is just one element in the ongoing culture war against science. Climate change deniers often align with vaccine deniers those denying growing social inequality and playing up divisions in society. Development assistance has often included specific support for women's health and girls' education.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2020



Sr. Mary John Mananzan
St. Scholastica's College
Philippines



Feminism has gone through a long history of struggles and successes. The Philippines, as a developing country, also has a story to share in its struggle for gender equality and equity. This presentation aims to elucidate the evolution of feminism in the Philippines, and the significant accounts in its history that have influenced the strengthening of women agenda and women empowerment in the country among women's organizations, legislations, the academe and the like.

While it is recognized that more needs to be done in reaching the goal for gender equality and equity, the women movement in the Philippines has accomplished much in awakening women awareness of their situation and socialization, in putting the women agenda in the government institutions and in the NGOs, in having the most friendly legislations, in successfully campaigning for the defense of women's rights in making possible that the Philippines is the only country that mandates gender streaming in the academe in making possible the prosecution of sex perpetrators against women and children.

**"Feminism Has Gone
Through A Long History of
Struggles and Successes"**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2020

Dr. Tara Jabbaar-Gyambrah is an award-winning author with over 16 years of experience in higher education serving as an accomplished leader in the fields of curriculum design strategy, leadership development, student success and retention, and educational program services. As the founder and CEO of TMJ Consulting, LLC, she serves as the lead consultant and is known for her unique ability to propel people to their purpose through strategic action.

In addition to being a business leader, Dr. Tara is an adjunct professor in the Sociology Department at Niagara University where she teaches courses on women in society, global hip-hop and stereotyping in the media. Dr. Tara previously served as a Director of Talent Development for careers in advanced manufacturing and energy in Buffalo, New York where she was responsible for the implementation of the center's team management, program planning, and evaluation. In addition to these roles, Dr. Tara has served as the Senior Assistant Director with the Honors College at the University at Buffalo, Dissertation Reader for Concordia University, Director of Multicultural Affairs with Hilbert College, and Academic Advisor.

As the global world moves through the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic; we have seen a spark

**"THIS YEAR MARKING THE 100TH YEAR
ANNIVERSARY OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT, A
POLICY KNOWN TO HAVE GIVEN WOMEN THE
RIGHT TO VOTE"**



Dr. Tara Jabbaar-Gyambrah
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ignited with the emergence of social movements. Steeped in socio-cultural underpinnings from the Civil Rights Movement, the nation has seen protests for racial and gender equality manifest on a new level of community mobilization. The resurfaced trauma that has been experienced over several generations has shed light on the intersectionality of systematic oppression that has been built institutionally and individually. From mass incarceration, police brutality, inequity in the education system, and the disproportionate rate of women in high-level roles in senior cabinet positions; this moment in time has been pivotal to how we lead with solutions as leaders in our communities. With this year marking the 100th year anniversary of the 19th Amendment, a policy known to have given women the right to vote; but missed the mark on the inclusion of women of color. The path to equality and equity has been a rocky one. This paper discusses the ways in which we, as community activists can move forward in practical ways to un-write systematic structures and rebuild an inclusive community that goes beyond policy but re-creating a way of life that breaks down barriers to access, equity, and equality.

CONFERENCE DAY ONE

OPENING CEREMONY: Prof. Barbara Wejnert, President, World-CWS: INTRODUCTION of Keynote Speakers

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: The Hon'ble State Minister Dr. Seetha Arambepola, Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research & Innovation. "Environment and Gender Equity in the Post-Covid World"

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: The Hon'ble Geoffrey Harris, Formerly Deputy Head of the European Parliament Liaison Office with the U.S. Congress and formerly Head of the Human Rights Unit within the Secretariat General of the European Parliament (Directorate General for external policies D.G.E.X.P.O.).

SESSION-01: PANEL-01 | "WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND ENVIRONMENT"

Dr. Dhananjay Kashinath Sontakke (CHAIR): Associate Professor and Chair, Dept. of Sociology, Priyadarshini Women's College, Wardha, India.

- **R. Zakayo**, Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development, College of Agriculture, Sokoine University of Agriculture, Morogoro, Tanzania. 'Factors Influencing Adaptation to Climate Variability among Women and Men. A Case-study of Paddy Farmers in Kilosa District, Tanzania'
- **Anjana K Sabu, Riyamol Regi, and Dr. Kamalaveni**, Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore, India: 'Rethinking Motherhood: A Nuanced Take on the Indian Movies Shakuntala Devi and Mission Mangal in Comparison with Deshpande's Essay "Learning to be a Mother"'
- **Elisa Mohanty and Anindya Jayanta Mishra**, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, I.I.T. Roorkee, Uttarakhand, India: 'Women M.S.M.E. Entrepreneurs of India: 'Renegotiating Freedom in Post-COVID Time''
- **Barbara Wejnert**, Department of Global Gender Studies & Department of Environment and Sustainability, University at Buffalo, U.S.A. 'Political Leadership of Women and Women as Political Leaders: Lessons from Presidential Elections at the time of COVID-19 and Environmental Disasters'

SESSION-01: PANEL-02 | "WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND ENVIRONMENT"

Dr. Dhananjay K. Sontakke (CHAIR): Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology, Priyadarshini Women's College, Wardha (Maharashtra), India.

- **Dhananjay K. Sontakke**, Priyadarshini Women's College, Wardha (Maharashtra), India: 'Gender Issues and Women's Engagement to Handle the New Normal Situation Aroused out of COVID-19 Outbreak'
- **Sunil Babu**, Rajdhani College, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India: 'A Study of Women Empowerment in India'
- **Maria Vanessa Maandal and Norliza M. Nordan**, University of the City of Manila, Philippines: 'Programs Led by Women in Marginalized Areas'
- **Nirupama Prakash and Yashpal Malik**, Amity Institute of Social Science, Amity University, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India: 'Role of Women for Environmental Sustainability in Relation to Electric Vehicle'

SESSION-02: PANEL-01 | GENDER EQUITY AND SUSTAINABILITY

Anupama Vohra, (CHAIR), Professor of Literature, University of Jammu, Jammu, India.

- **Puwanitha Selvaraj**, Department of Public and International Law, Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka: "Under Representation Women in Local Government: 'A Critical Examination on the Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Act of Sri Lanka.' A Comparative Perspective"
- **Gina A. Opiniano and Mary Pauline Saquing**, Department of Philosophy, University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines & Pathways Center for Lifelong Learning, Inc., Philippines: 'Existentialist Feminism in the New Normal in Education'
- **Anupama Vohra**, University of Jammu, Jammu, India, D.D.E., University of Jammu, Jammu, India: 'Patriarchy Induced Problems: Gender (In)equity Hampers Sustainability- Insights from Literature'
- **Charles Jason P. Cahilig**, University of the Philippines; Manila, Philippines: 'Emancipating to a Gender-Neutral Ethics of Care in Physician - Patient Relationship'

SESSION-02: PANEL-02 | "GENDER EQUITY AND SUSTAINABILITY"

Anupama Vohra (CHAIR), Professor of English, University of Jammu, Jammu, India.

- **Parveen Kumari**, Department of English, Central University of Jammu, Jammu, India: '*Feminization of Poverty: a Study of Dalit Women" s Narratives*'
- **Katarzyna Miriam Kaczorowska**, Christian Academy of Theology, Warsaw, Poland: '*Dispute over gender and deterioration of the position of the women in Poland*'
- **Zaklina Skrenty**, University of Zielona Gora, Poland: '*A Woman in the Polish Labor Market. Legal Conditions versus Social Roles and Established Stereotypes*'
- **Lyimo Nora**, University of Agriculture, Tanzania: '*Attitudes of Men and Women towards Rice Quality Declared Seed (Q.D.S.) Production in Kilombero District, Morogoro Tanzania*'

SESSION-03: PANEL-01 | "PROTECTION OF WOMEN' S/GIRLS' RIGHTS"

Jeeva Niriella (CHAIR), Professor of Law, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

- **Madsjs Niriella**, Department of Public and International Law Faculty of Law University of Colombo, Sri Lanka: '*Sexual Harassment of Women and Girl Children in Sri Lanka: Review in the Context of Law and Enforcement*'
- **Soe Win**, Global Gender Studies, University at Buffalo—the State University of New York, U.S.A: '*Femicide in Latin America: The Killing of Women for Being a Women*'
- **Mirosław A. Michalski**, Christian Theological Academy in Warsaw, Poland: '*Educate to Know and Understand. How to See a Woman in the Christian Church?*'
- **Seema Thakur and Ranjit Kaur**, Department of Gandhian and Peace Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India: '*Domestic Violence against Women in Chandigarh during Covid-19 Pandemic*'

SESSION-04: PANEL-01 | "INCLUSIVENESS AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY"

Jasbir Singh (CHAIR), Professor of Economics, University of Jammu, Jammu, India

- **Ana Muradashvili**, Global Gender Studies, University at Buffalo, U.S.A: '*The Construction of the National and Gendered Identities of Armenian Women in the Samtskhe-Javakheti*'
- **Seela Aladuwaka and Ram Alagan**, Alabama State University, Montgomery, Alabama, U.S.A: '*Mapping Health Disparities, Social Inequalities and Gender: A Geographic Perspective of COVID-19 Pandemic in Alabama*'
- **Manorama Upadhaya**, Mahila Mahavidyalaya Jodhpur, India: '*Invisible Frontline Warriors of COVID19: An Intersectional Feminist Study of A.S.H.A. Workers in India*'
- **Jasbir Singh**, University of Jammu, Jammu, India: '*Covid Crisis and Gender Inequality from a Human Development Perspective: Reflections from India*'
- **Jasbir Singh**, Professor of Economics, University of Jammu, Jammu, India: CLOSING REMARKS, Invitation for the 2nd day of the conference

**CONFERENCE DAY TWO
PLENARY SESSION**

Prof. Maria Anita Stefanelli, Vice-President of the World Center for Women's Studies, Welcome Address to the Second day of the 6th World Conference for Women's Studies, INTRODUCTION of Keynote Speakers

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Sr. Mary John Mananzan, O.S.B. V.P. of External Affairs of St. Scholastica's College, Manila, Philippines, Executive Director of the Institute of Women's Studies, and Superior of the Manila Community of St. Scholastica's College, Manila, Philippines, *Feminism in the Philippines*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Dr. Tara Jabbaar-Gyambrah, Sociology Department, Niagara University, C.E.O., T.M.J. Consulting, L.L.C: *Past, Present, and Future: Dismantling Systematic Oppression of Women of Color and Re-Building It.*

SESSION-03: PANEL-02 | "PROTECTION OF WOMEN'S/GIRLS' RIGHTS"

Jeeva Niriella (CHAIR), Professor of Law, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka,

- **Mary Pauline V. Saquing**, University of the Philippines Manila, Philippines. AND Margielou B. Peralta, Director of the Office of Guidance and Testing Services University of the City of Manila: '*Gender-based Violence during COVID-19 Lockdown in Anderson and Bushman's General Aggression Model*'
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- **Prof. Anupama Vohra**, Professor of English, University of Jammu, Jammu, India.
- **Prof. Izabela Skorzynska**, Associate Professor, Faculty of Historical Studies, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland
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SESSION-01: PANEL- 01 & 02 | “WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND ENVIRONMENT” (Chaired By Dr. Dhananjay Sontakke)

Eight scholars presented their work regarding various aspects of women's leadership and environment. Presentations elaborated on the issues of Covid-19 pandemic, its impact on women empowerment programs, gender vulnerability, impact on social-political life, and the engagement of women to handle the new normal situation.



SESSION-02: PANEL- 01 & 02 | “GENDER EQUITY AND SUSTAINABILITY” (Chaired By Prof. Anupama Vohra)

Eight Papers from across the world were presented. The papers both theoretical and based on field data explored gender equity and sustainability from the perspective of literature, education, representation in public space, etc., to highlight that ending discrimination against marginalized sections impacts development, promoting gender equity which is crucial to accelerate sustainable development.



SESSION-03: PANEL- 01 & 02 | “PROTECTION OF WOMEN'S /GIRLS' RIGHTS” (Chaired By Prof. Jeeva Niriella)

Thirteen scholars presented their research findings in relation to the sub theme, 'Protection of Women's/Girls' Rights'. This session focused on gender-based violence and discrimination against women and girls and the inadequacy of existing remedial measures to protect them from such ill-treatments.

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SESSION 04: PANEL - 01 & 02 | “INCLUSIVENESS AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY” (Chaired By Prof. Jasbir Singh)

Papers covered a wide range of topics relevant to the theme. special stress was on Covid and women, child marriage, women in Muslim society and also covering studies from Alabama, Armenian, India, Indonesia.



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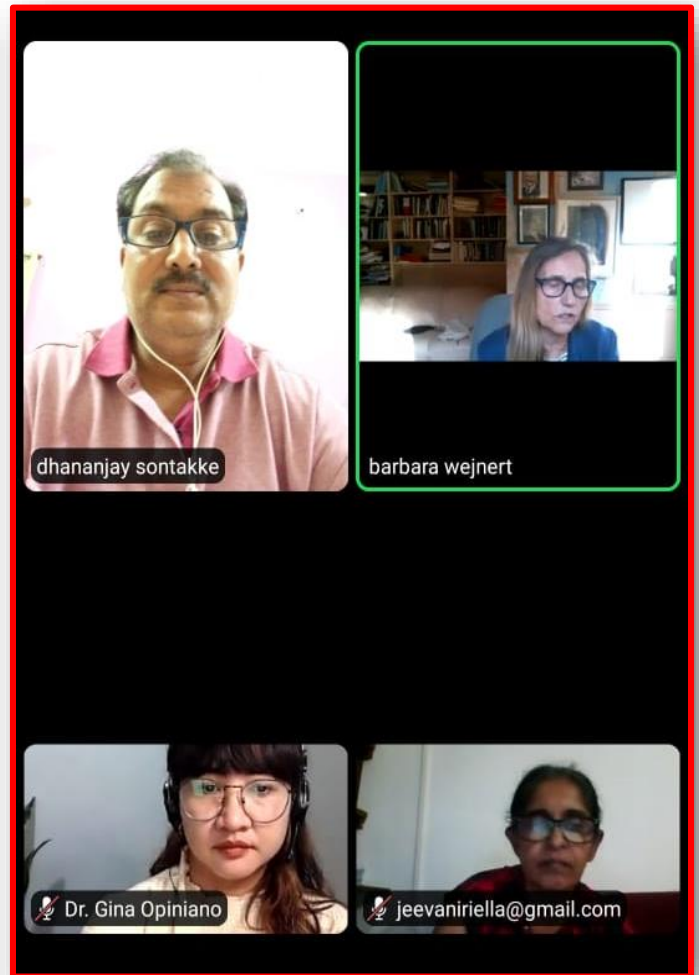
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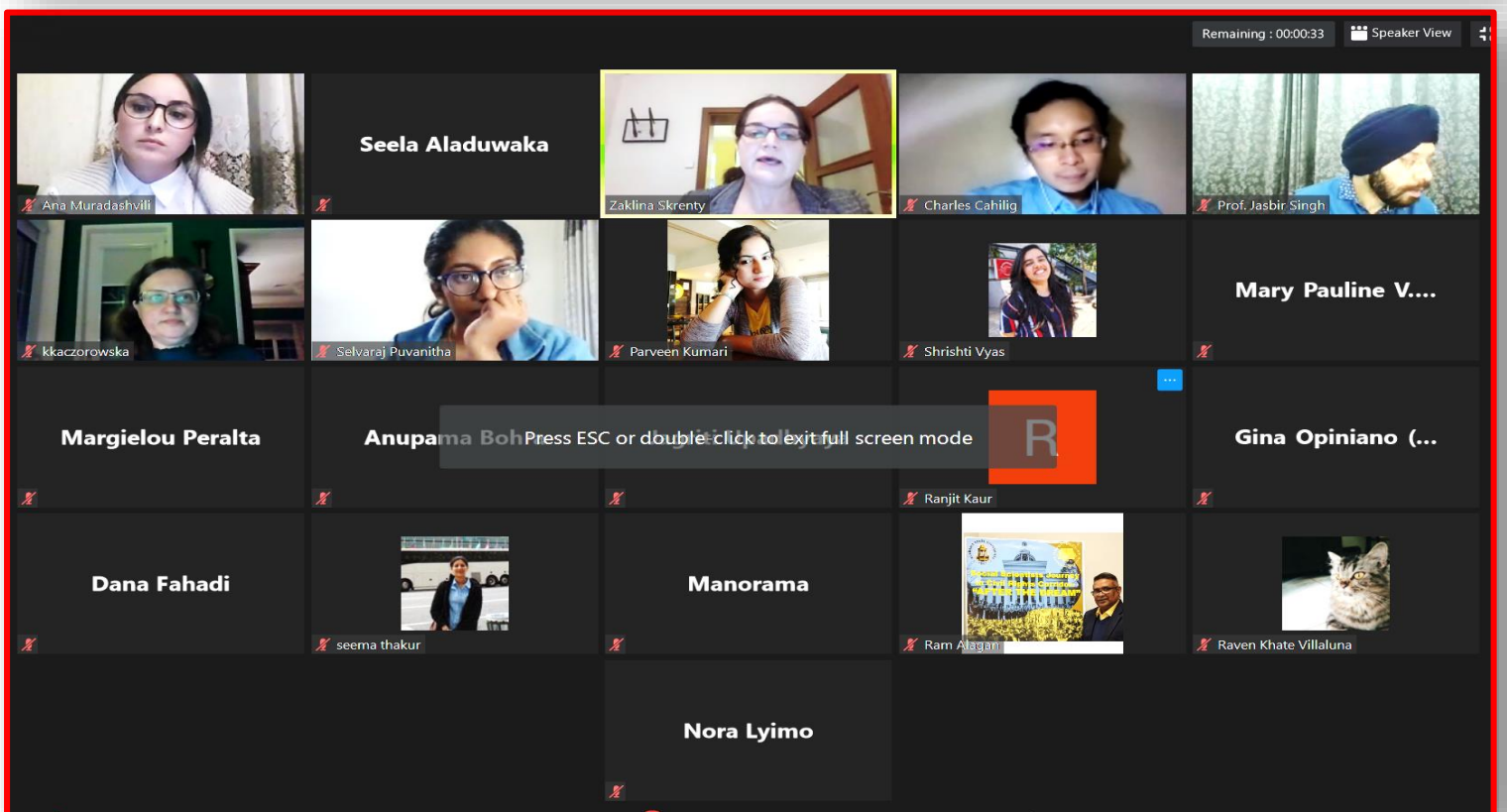
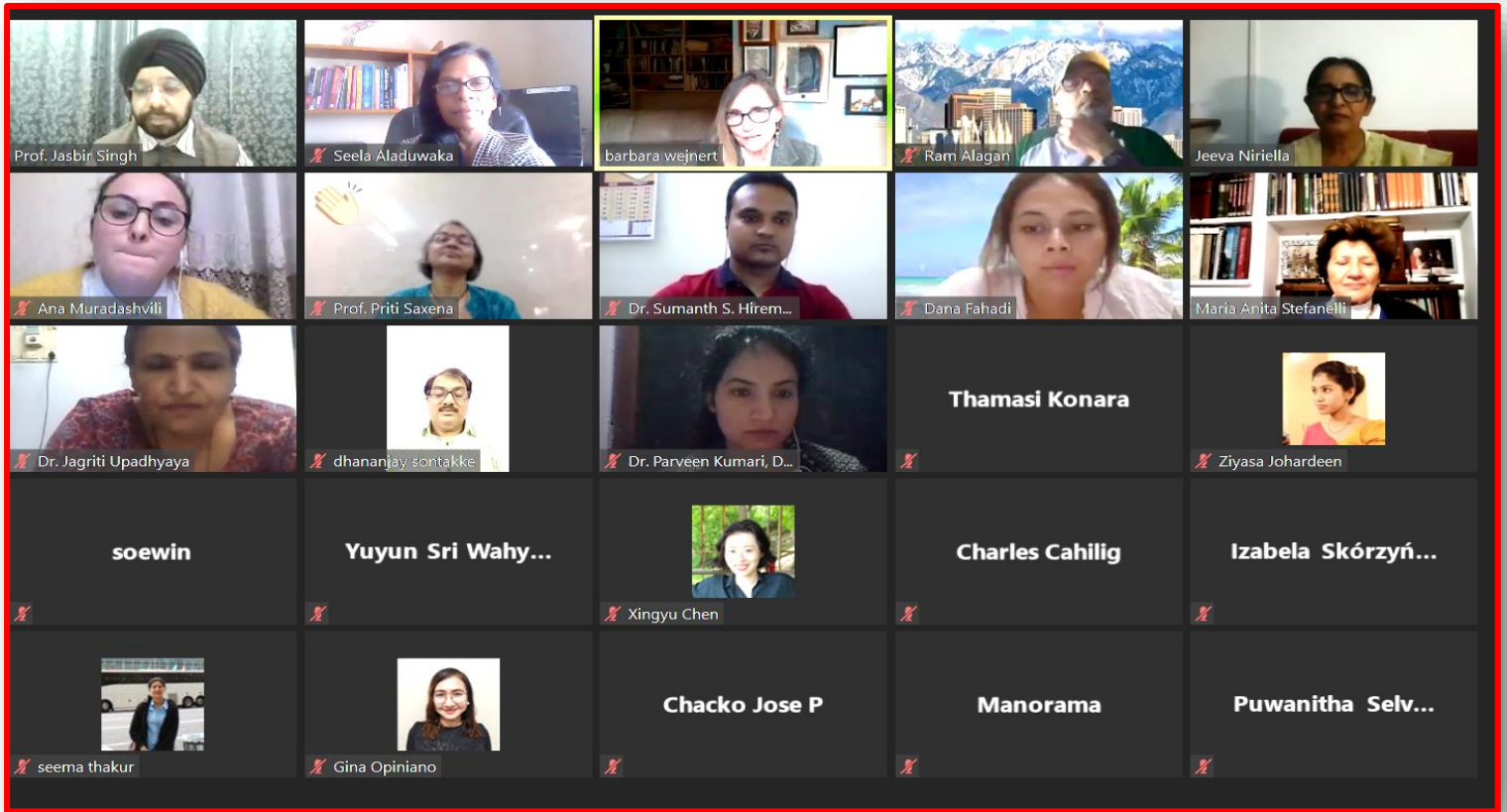
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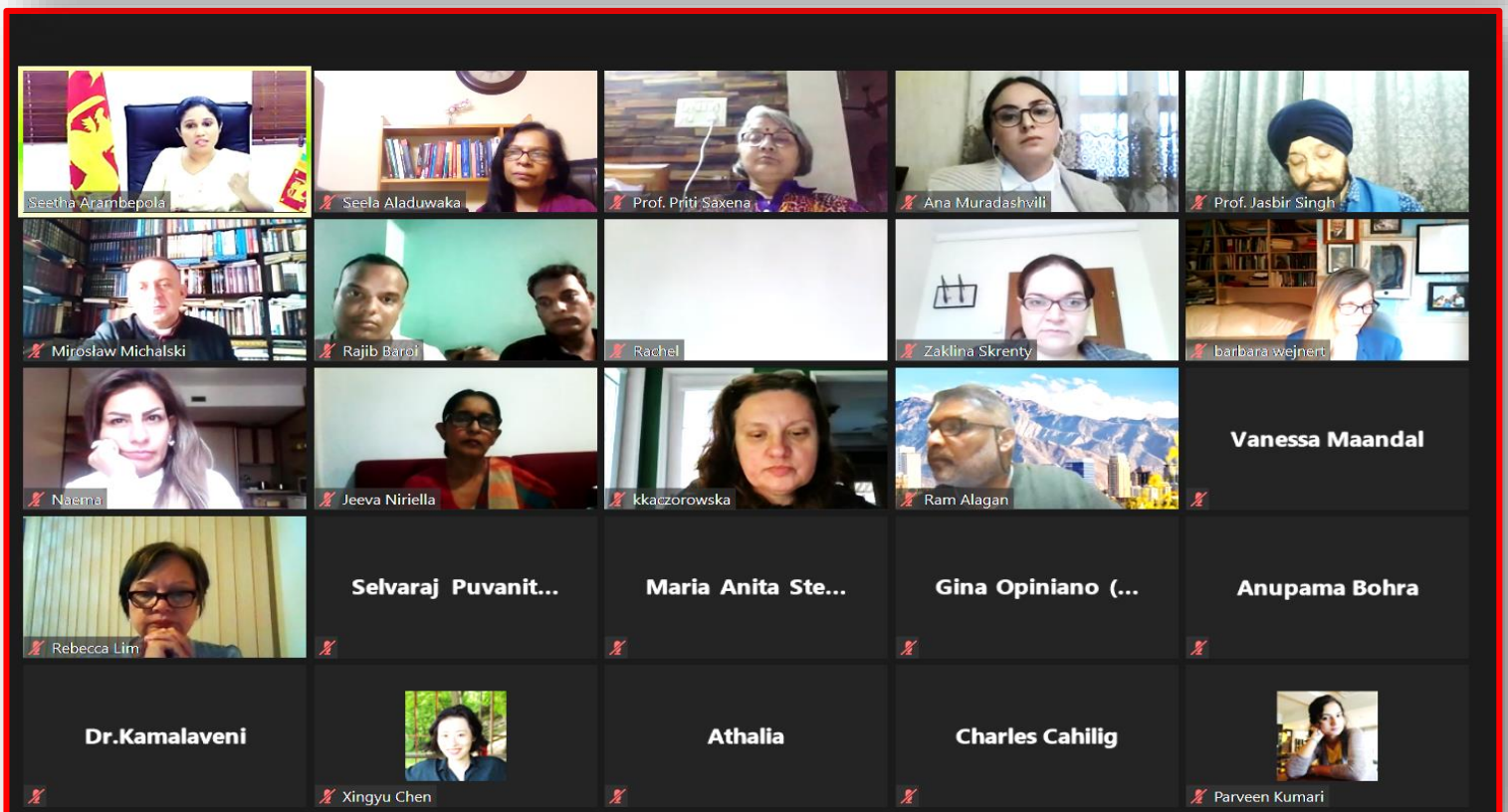
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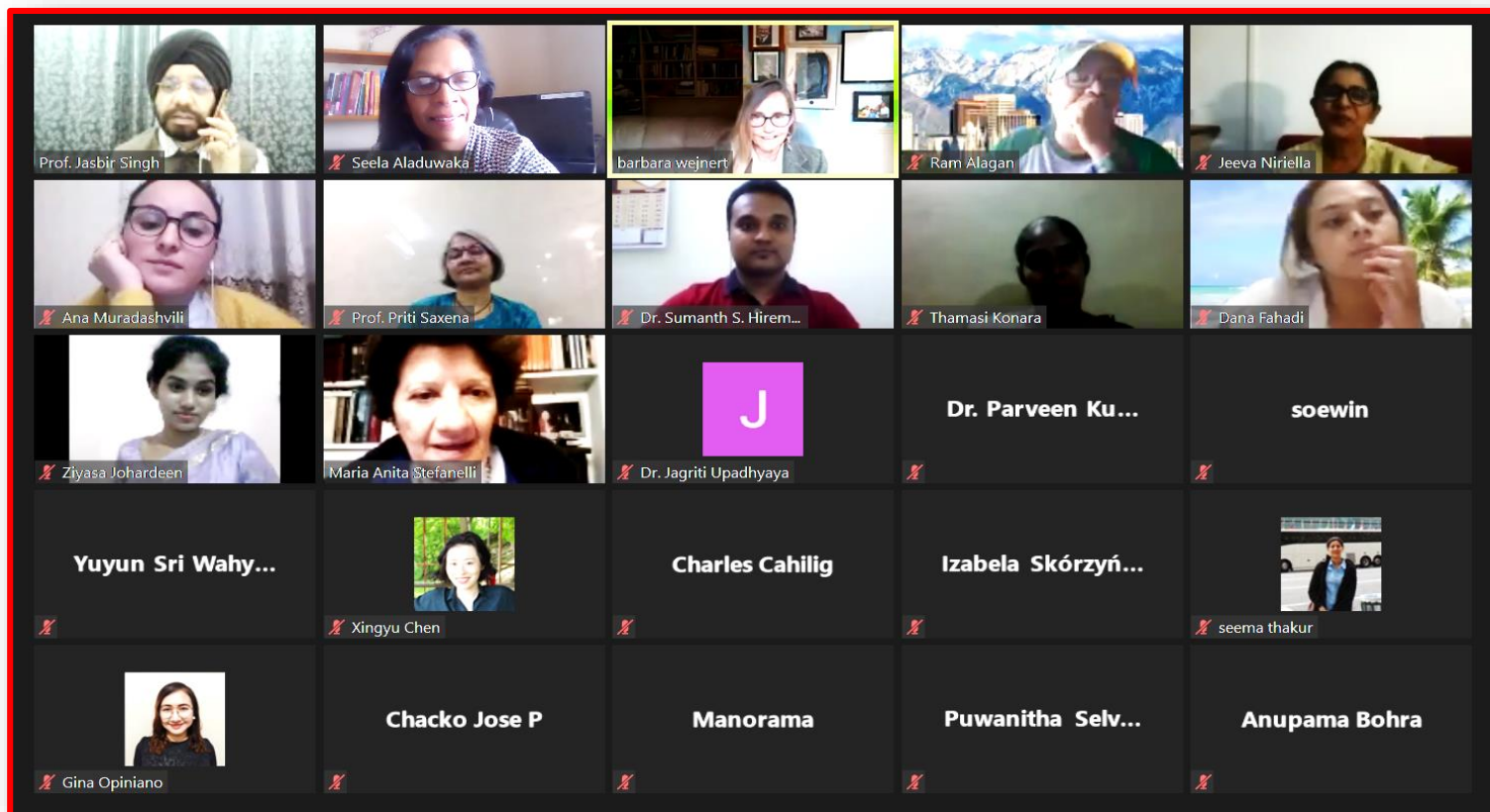


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According to World Bank (2020), the number of men and women is roughly equal, though men hold a slight lead with 102 men for 100 women (in 2020). More precisely, out of 1,000 people, 504 are men (50.4%), and 496 are women (49.6%). Our way of life has drastically shifted during the last several decades due to Information Technology (IT). Today, many people use IT for their daily work, education, shopping, travel, exploration, banking, manufacture, security, development, communication, networking, and social connection. Today many virtual classrooms, meetings, and conference platforms have replaced the traditional way of the work environment and learning. Like men, women also utilize IT for various purposes. The concept of "Women and Technology" (WT), one of the research topics, is highly spoken in recent years. Yet, the digital divide is still a large part where women don't have equal access to IT compared to men. It brings a series of questions on "Women and Empowerment." There is no doubt, IT will play a vital role in the future, and the question is how to eliminate the existing digital divide among male and female population and promote equal access to everyone.

Women carry a significant responsibility of family engagement than men in general. Sometimes, women are the breadwinner in the family. When it comes to childcare and household work, women carry an enormous responsibility due to cultural beliefs in particular parts of the world. Although in recent years, women's role has changed in society, still, in many developing countries, women tend to stay home and work from home. Research shows that IT empowers women to shine in science, technology, engineering, the arts, and math

(STEAM) from the classroom, workplace, and kitchen space. One way to accomplish "women's empowerment" and "sustainable development" is to adopt innovative approaches to bridge women in shared governance to sustainable development programs and provide IT equity.

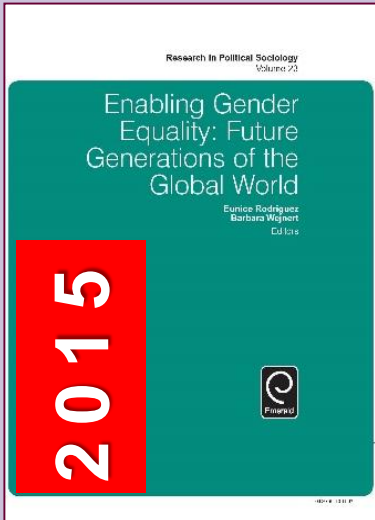
Although the IT concepts are widely spoken, the concern is that the IT access is not equally distributed among women worldwide. The digital divide between developed and underdeveloped nations is staggering. There are various reasons behind the lack of equal access issues such as capital, good governance, infrastructure, innovative thinking, and women in democracy. The 2021 World CWS conference will provide a platform to discuss "Woman & Technology: Past, Present, and Future." Due to COVID19 and travel restrictions, 2021 will be a virtual conference. We welcome papers and presentations worldwide on this vital and timely topic. We encourage you and your institutional colleagues to submit the abstract to the 2021 conference and share the diverse experience. World-CWS provides an excellent opportunity to experience our shared goal of learning how women are working hard to empower themselves, facing enormous social and political challenges dealing with this issue and still trying to make changes in their society. We hope World-CWS will assist you in telling your stories and get constructive feedback.

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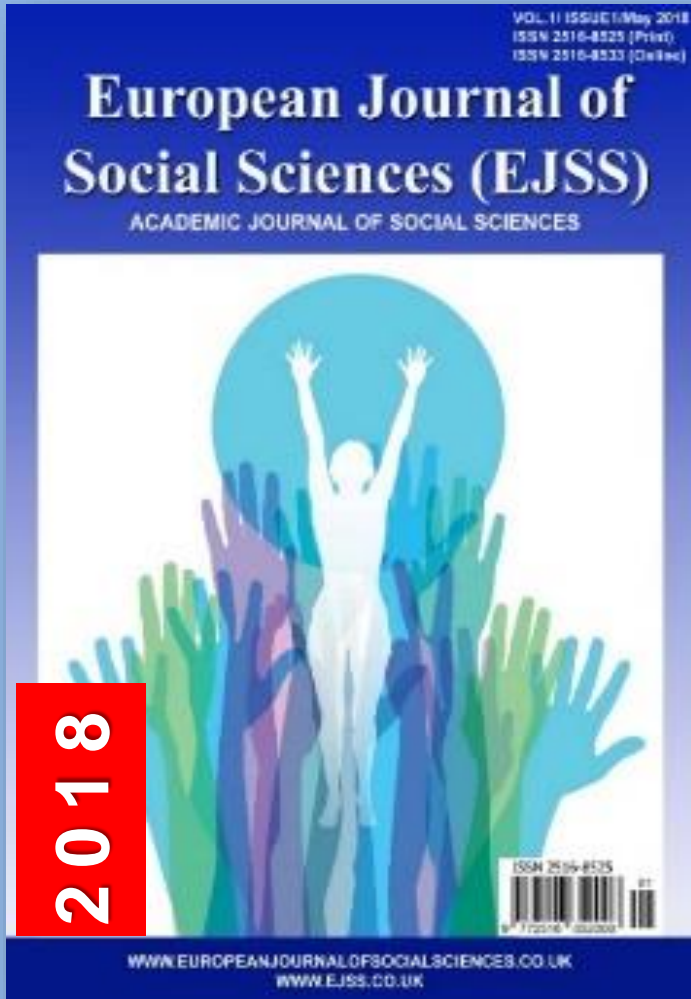
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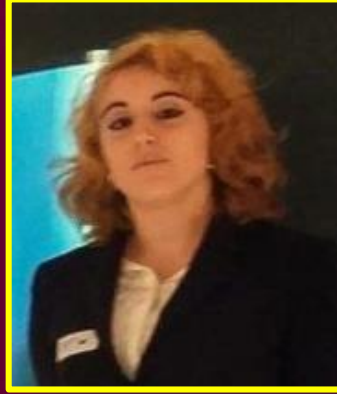
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The Honorable, Sri Lankan Ambassador designate to France Republic and Permanent Delegation of Sri Lanka to UNESCO, Senior Professor Kshanika Hirimburegama in the Department of Plan Science, Faculty of Science, University of Colombo. Professor Hirimburegama was the 17th Vice chancellor of the University of Colombo. She served as the Chairperson of the University Grants Commission from 2013 to 2015. She is the first lady Chairperson of the University Grants Commission in Sri Lanka.



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President and Founder of 314 Action NGO, Shaughnessy Naughton works on electing scientists at every level of government. Her commitment to increasing the number of members of congress with scientific training in stems from experience. In 2014, Shaughnessy run for Congress in Pennsylvania’s 8th District. She tried to take her scientific training and experience to Washington, D.C. Unsuccessful with her campaign, she received significant support from the scientific community and decided to establish 314 Action, supporting like-minded STEM professionals running for legislative offices.

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