

## WOMEN4BIODIVERSITY



Dear all,

Welcome to our news update for January - March, which brings some of the highlights of events, webinars, and outreach that Women4Biodiversity has carried out. These include our webinar series **#GenderIsABiodiversityIssue** that gathers experts, community leaders and advocates to analyze and share insights on outcomes of the recently adopted Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and other decisions from the UN Biodiversity Summit (**UN CBD COP15**), through human rights and gender lenses.

The year also began with engaging and working with allies and other feminist constituencies in various other conferences and events, including the **Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG 1.2)**, on **Science-Policy Panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution** and the **Fifth International Marine Protected Areas Congress (IMPAC5)** in February, the **Sixty-Seventh Meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW67)** in March, among others.

For our campaigns for international days, **World Wetlands Day** (2 February), **International Women's Day** (8 March) and **International Day of Forests** (21 March) we amplified the needs, aspirations and voices of women from diverse experiences from all over the world.

We also bring to you insights and learnings from our partner sites that are working to support locally-led gender-responsive restoration initiatives.

There is much more in the newsletter. Please take a moment to read, reflect and share.

Thank you for your support,  
Women4Biodiversity Team

### Webinar Series: Gender Is A Biodiversity Issue



22 February 2023

Session 1: What did COP15 bring for women and girls?  
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31 March 2022

Session 2: How to update NBSAPs and develop national reports gender-responsively?  
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### Conferences and Meetings

OEWG 1.2 Science-Policy Panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution

30 January - 3 February 2023  
Bangkok, Thailand

Brief Report: The resumed first session of the ad hoc open-ended working group (OEWG) on a science-policy panel to contribute further to the sound management of chemicals and waste and to prevent pollution  
By Anna Holthaus, MSP  
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### Fifth International Marine Protected Areas Congress



3 - 9 February, Vancouver, Canada

Gender perspectives at IMPAC5, the marine protected areas congress  
By Mika Schröder and Cathy Li  
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### Sixty-Seventh Meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW67)

6 - 17 March, New York, United States  
Virtual Event

"Celebrating Women in Conservation"  
Organized by WWF International, Care International and World Vision and also co-convened by Women4Biodiversity to celebrate International Women's Day.  
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Caring for the land: A reflection on a CSW67 feminist climate justice event  
By Cristina Egghenter, WWF International  
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### Civil 20 India 2023



28 March, Dehradun, India

"Policy Discussion on Women in Biodiversity and Conservation"  
Hosted by the C20 Gender Equality and Disability Working Group  
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### Campaigns for International Days

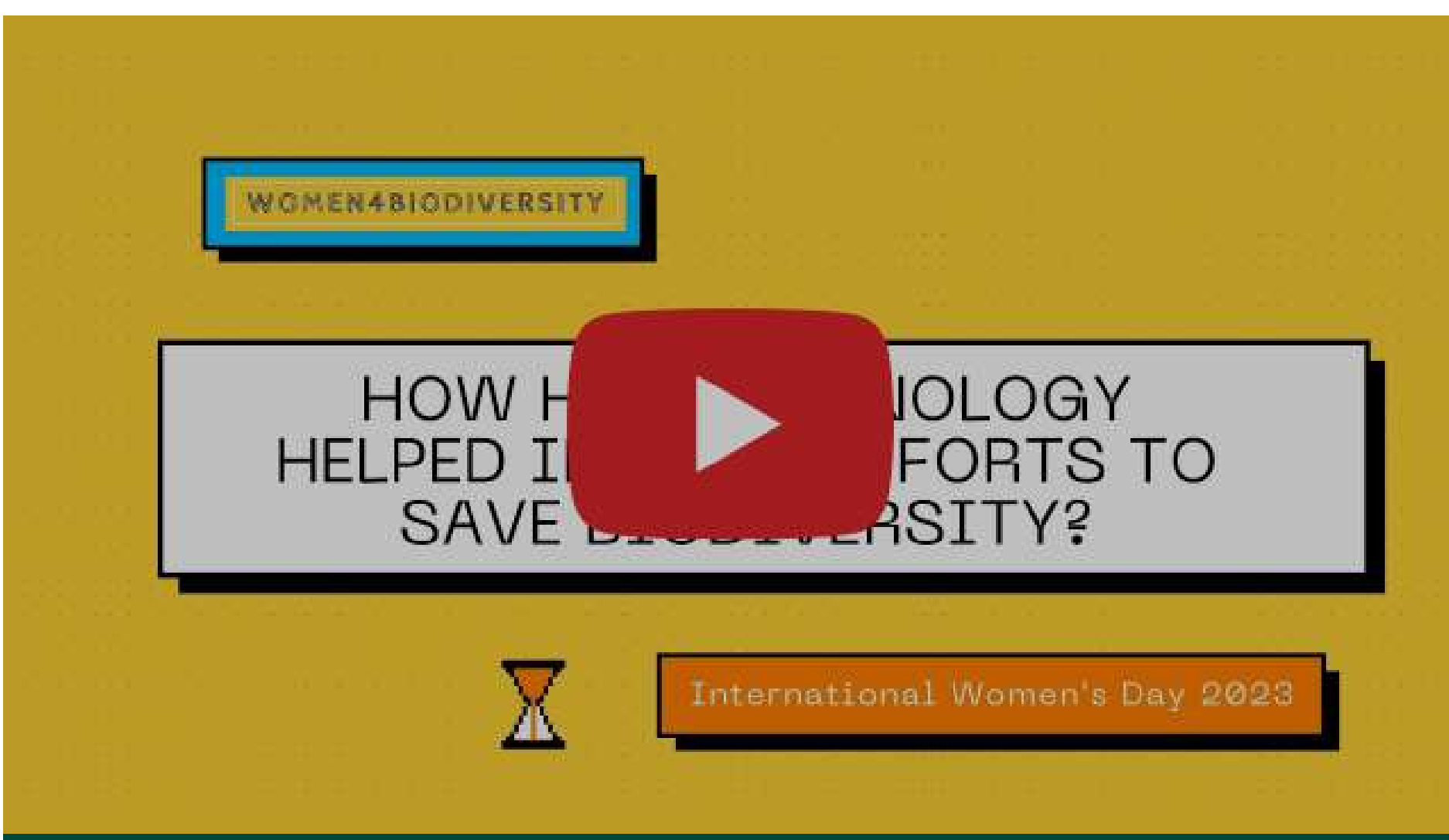
#### World Wetlands Day (2 February)



Women restoring their community's forest at Londji 1, Cameroon, Women4Biodiversity's partner restoration site

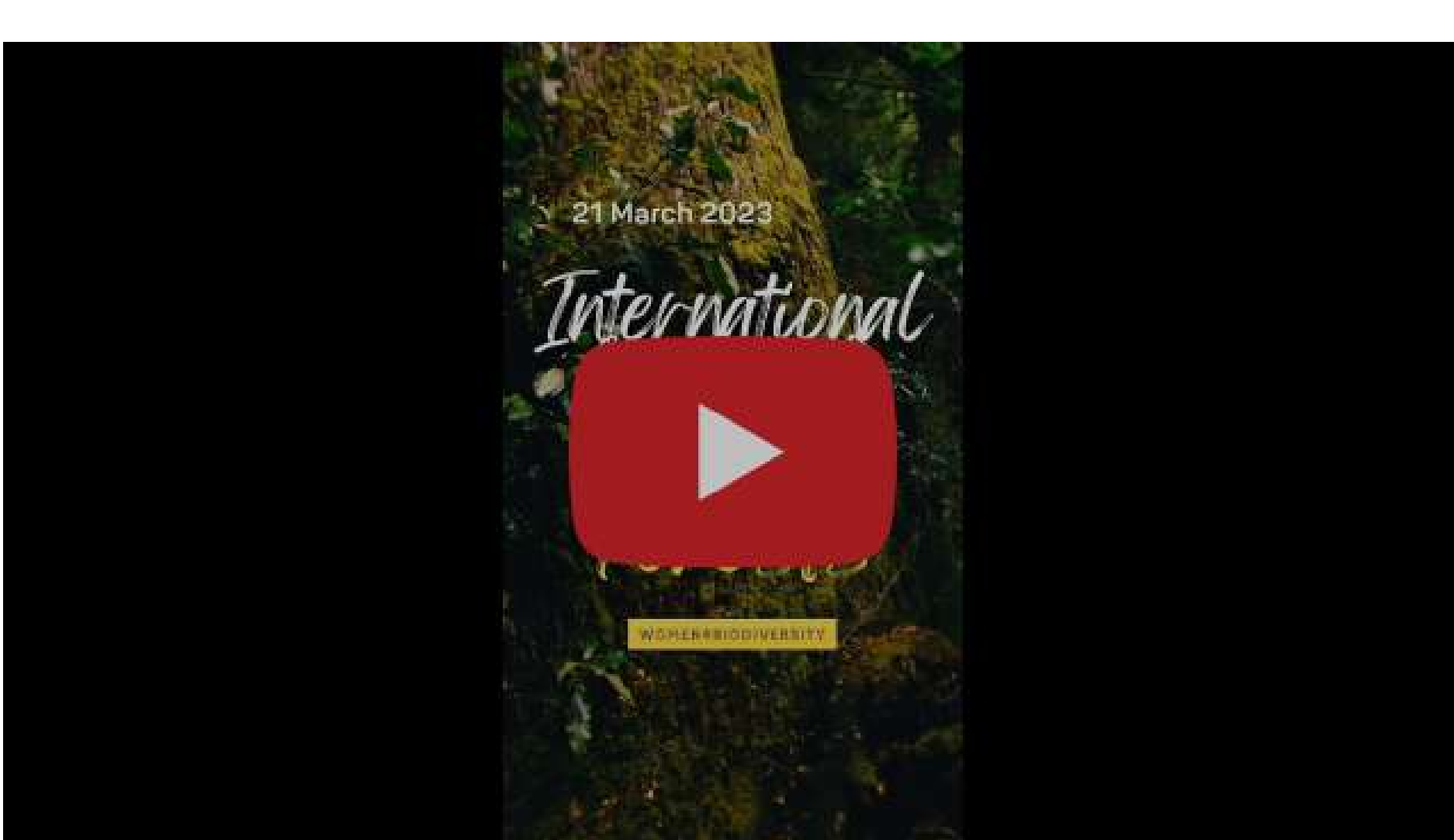
#### International Women's Day (8 March)

**Enabling Her with Tech:** International Women's Day Live Interviews  
Hosted by Women4Biodiversity  
Guests: Susana Arrechea, Guatemala and Kamala Gurung, Nepal  
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Watch the sessions in English [here](#) and [here](#).

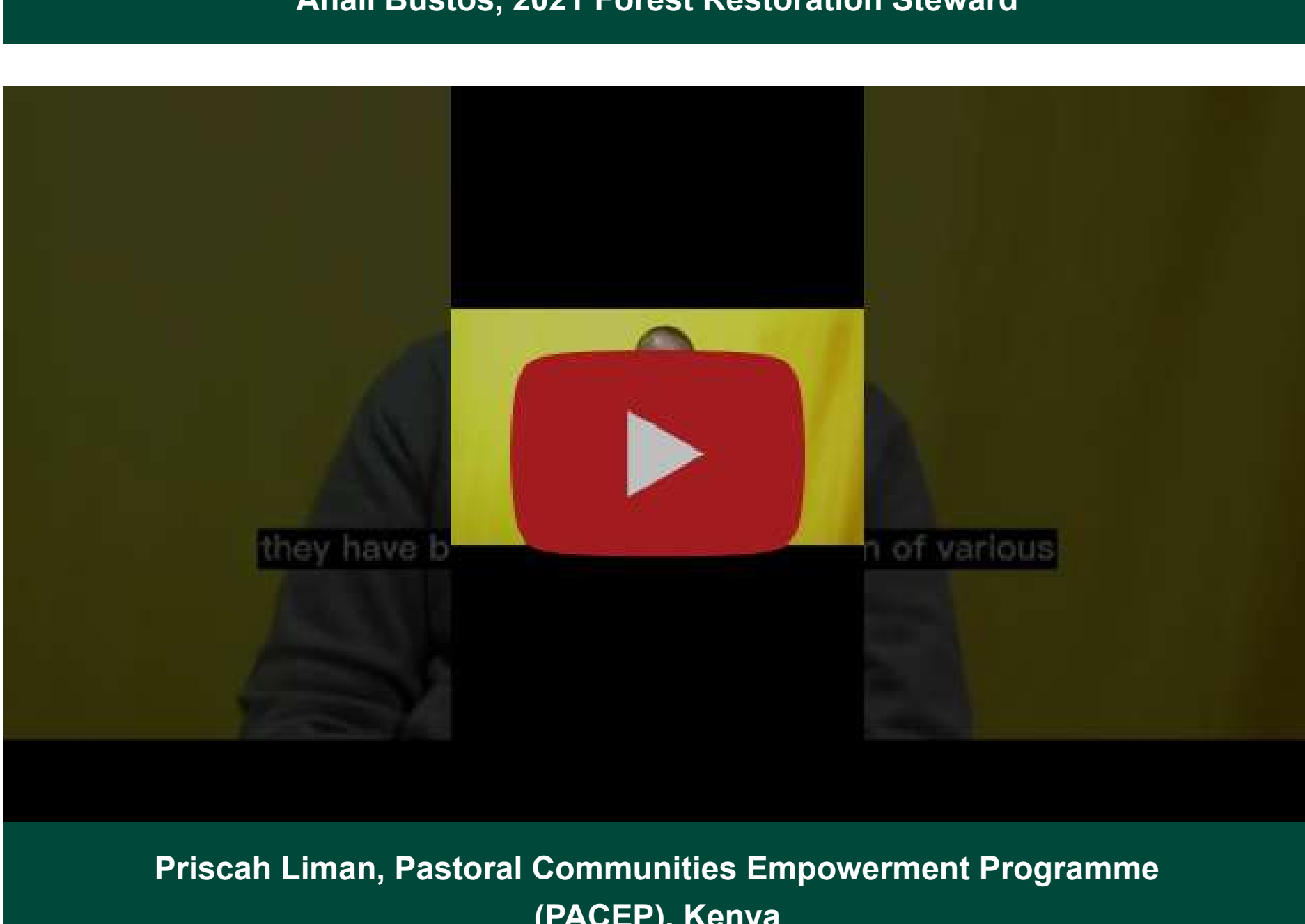


How has technology helped women in saving biodiversity?

#### International Day of Forests (21 March)



Anali Bustos, 2021 Forest Restoration Steward



Priscah Liman, Pastoral Communities Empowerment Programme (PACEP), Kenya

### Supporting Gender-Responsive Restoration Initiatives



**Network for the Indigenous Peoples Solomons (NIPS), Solomon Islands**

In October 2022, NIPS conducted a rapid biodiversity assessment of their flora and fauna, and facilitated and documented a workshop for women on the conservation and replanting of their endemic tubi forests.  
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### Resources and Publications

**A/HRC/52/33. Women, girls and the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment**

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment

**Women as change-makers in the governance of shared waters**

International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) survey of literature with a collection of case examples describing how women in Asia, Latin America, Europe and Africa are leading change on the ground in governing shared waters

**Gender and plastics: A review of the links in select Caribbean and Pacific islands**  
IUCN report on key human rights issues arising from plastic pollution in the tourism, fisheries, and waste management sectors and their impact on women and men

### Announcements

#### Join us in welcoming



Arrelia Arreguin  
UNCED Women's Caucus Coordinator



Sumita Subba  
Visual Communications Officer

Learn more about them [here](#).

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