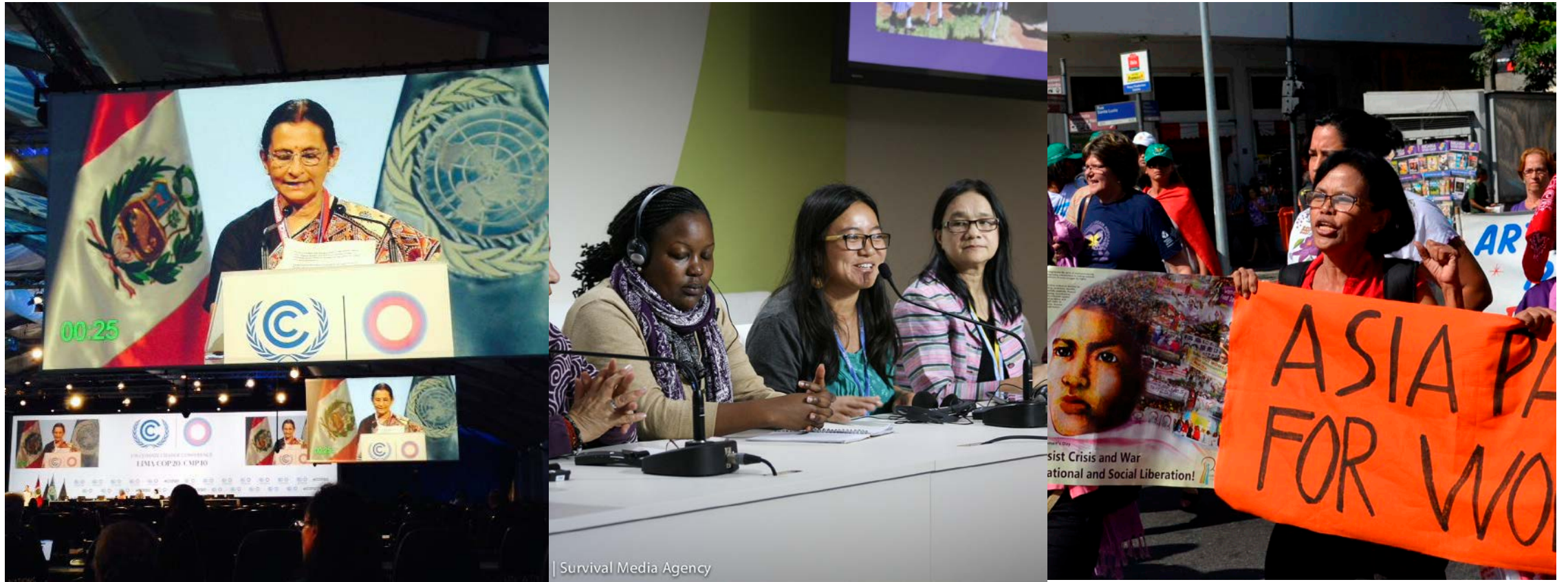




# Navigating the Intersection: Peace & Security / Sustainable Development & Natural Resources / Women's Human Rights & Gender Equality

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# How we work in multiple spaces





# Exacerbation of inequality

## GENDER GAPS AROUND THE WORLD

### POVERTY

OVER 50% OF THE 1.5 BILLION PEOPLE LIVING ON \$1 A DAY OR LESS ARE WOMEN [SOURCE: UNFPA]

### WATER

ON AVERAGE WOMEN AND CHILDREN SPEND 8 OR MORE HOURS PER DAY COLLECTING WATER [SOURCE: UN WOMEN]

### GOVERNANCE

GLOBALLY, WOMEN ARE 16.7% OF GOVERNMENT MINISTERS; 19.5% OF PARLIAMENTARIANS; AND 9% HEADS OF STATE [SOURCE: IPU]

### FOOD

WOMEN PRODUCE OVER 60% OF FOOD IN SOME COUNTRIES [SOURCE: FAO]

### LITERACY

TWO THIRDS OF THE 774 MILLION ILLITERATE ADULTS WORLDWIDE ARE WOMEN [SOURCE: UNSTATS]

### LAND

WOMEN OWN JUST 2% OF THE WORLD'S LAND [SOURCE: UN WOMEN]

## CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

## IMPACTS EXACERBATE GENDER INEQUITIES

### CROP FAILURE



Women experience increased agricultural work and overall household food production burden

### FUEL SHORTAGE



Many women in developing countries can spend between 2-9 hours a day collecting fuel and fodder, and performing cooking chores

### WATER SCARCITY



Increased burden on women walking further distances to access safe water, impacts the education and economic stability

### NATURAL DISASTER



Women have a higher incidence of mortality in natural disasters ; women can suffer from an increased threat of sexual violence

### DISEASE



As caregivers women often experience an increased burden for caring for young, sick and elderly as well as lack of access to health care facilities

### DISPLACEMENT



Forced migration could exacerbate women's vulnerability

### CONFLICT



While men are more likely to be killed or injured in fighting, women suffer greatly from other consequences of conflict, such as rape, violence, anxiety and depression



# **Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

# SDGs: Universal & Indivisible

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Goal 2. End **hunger**, achieve **food security and improved nutrition**, and promote sustainable **agriculture**

Goal 5. **Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls**

Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat **climate change** and its impacts

Goal 16. Promote **peaceful and inclusive societies** for sustainable development, provide access to **justice** for all and build effective, **accountable and inclusive institutions** at all levels

Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the **global partnership** for sustainable development

# Diversity in voice & experience

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# Environmental & Human Rights Defenders



# Intersections & Transformations

- **Climate:** Defining a gender-just transition; 1.5 degrees;
- **Energy:** Energy democracy; shifts to 100% RE;
- **Land:** Food security/ sovereignty, land use & agriculture;
- **Solutions:** Challenging false solutions;
- Public **participation** & protecting human **rights**;
- **Peace:** Conflict prevention & leadership
- **Financing:** women/women's organizations & innovation







# Thank You.

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