Feminists for Climate and Environment Alternatives

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"Feminists for Climate and Environment Alternatives" (FACE) program brings together civil society organizations in France and Africa : CCFD-Terre Solidaire (coordinator of the consortium), Adéquations, WoMin, an ecofeminist alliance based in South Africa, ACORD Rwanda, ACORD Burundi, the Rural Women's Assembly movement, based in South Africa.

Presentation of FACE Programm

The programm is implemented by a consortium composed of four organizations : CCFD-Terre Solidaire, lead partner, Adéquations, a French feminist association, and two pan-African organizations, the ecofeminist alliance WoMin, based in South Africa, and ACORD Rwanda. For field activities, the consortium members joined forces with two other partners : ACORD Burundi and the South Africanbased Trust for Community Outreach and Education/Rural Women's Assembly (TCOE/RWA), which also transfer funds to CSO and strengthen them.

The Project aims to support the dynamics of women's and/or feminist organizations by supporting their initiatives that adresse gender and climate issues so that they can take more ambitious trajectories and contribute to long-term change for themselves and for their territories.

The initiatives supported under this Project will concern both the fight against climate change and/or the mitigation of its effects and/or the adaptation to climate change ; and the effects of patriarchy (e.g. women's empowerment to act for climate and sustainable management of natural resources as well as for human rights, the promotion of agroecology and women's know-how, etc.)

The Project is articulated around five components :
– 1. Dynamic and evolving mapping of civil society organizations (CSOs) engaged in a feminist approach and committed to climate and environmental issues, in the countries concerned,
– 2. Capacity building of these CSOs,
– 3. Establishment of funding for CSOs through an intermediary fund,
– 4. Raising awareness and/or challenging wider circles of actors and/or decision-makers on the cross-cutting issues of gender and climate change,
– 5. Production of knowledge - based on the initiatives of funded CSOs and the expertise of the consortium - on the cross-cutting issues of gender and climate / environment.

Relying on their members networks, the consortium and its partners will fund and support feminist and/or women's organizations in 14 African countries :
– West Africa : Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Sénégal
– Great Lakes Africa : Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo (North Kivu), Rwanda
– Southern Africa : South Africa, Eswatini/Swatziland, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe

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