

How to get involved?

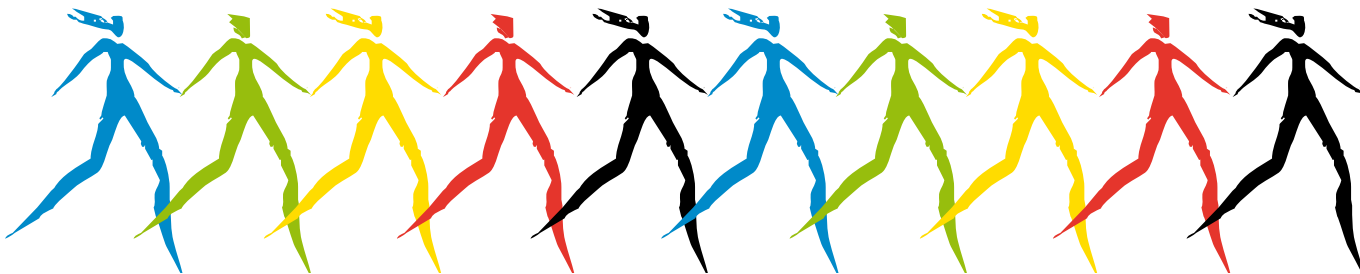
Contact the National Coordinating Body (NCB) in your country to get involved in the preparation of the 2010 action. Directions can be found at the website of the World March of Women:

<http://www.marchemondiale.org/structure/cn-groupes/en/>

Various actions are planned throughout 2009 as part of the construction of the 2010 global action:

- Organization of regional and sub-regional meetings to work on the action areas in greater depth and to plan and articulate the actions in the different countries in each region.
- Organization with networks and allied movements of simultaneous actions around the world.
- Definition of priority demands at the national and regional levels that enable concrete responses.

If there is no NCB in your country, write to the International Secretariat of the World March of Women at the e-mail address mobilizacion@marchemondiale.org and to the International Committee members in your region.



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Where to obtain more information?

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Third International Action of the World March of Women

March 8th to
October 17th
2010



Women on the march
until we are all free!

The World March of Women is an international feminist action movement connecting grass-roots groups and organizations working to eliminate the causes at the root of poverty and violence against women.

The international actions of the World March of Women...

... are moments for strengthening our identity as a movement. Being "on the march" expresses the idea of moving ahead freely, without constraints and impediments, to express the strength of women organised collectively in associations, groups, and movements. In addition, it expresses the strength derived from the fact that we are women with experiences, political cultures, and diverse ethnicities but who have a common identity, which is to overcome the current unjust order that provokes violence and poverty. Part of our identity is also international solidarity and the fact that we are attentive to what happens to our sisters in other parts of the world.

In 2010, we will make our voices heard with greater force around the world from March 8 to October 17. Our world actions will be organized around two prominent moments:

- The period from **March 8th – 18th**, with regional marches of different types, forms, colours, and rhythms that will also mark the 100-year anniversary of the Declaration of International Women's Day;
- Simultaneous marches and actions on **October 17th** with an international meeting point in Sud Kivu, Congo, as a way to strengthen women's protagonism in the resolution of conflicts.

The 2010 action will develop around the four action areas of the WMW:

Common good. We fight against the privatization of nature and public services. We affirm the principle of food sovereignty and the right to health care, education, potable water, and sanitation.

Peace and demilitarisation. We strive to show the complexity of the causes of war, which include the desire to control women's lives and bodies, the manipulation of ethnic and religious conflicts, the exploitation of natural resources, and the interests of the arms industry.

What are the themes to work on?

Women suffer violence inflicted by members of the army and paramilitary groups as well as their own communities, especially the men, who reject them and blame for the violence inflicted on them.

Women's work. We defend access for all workers, men and women, to their legal rights, social security, and equal pay, including a fair minimum wage, everywhere in the world, without discrimination of any kind.

Violence against women. We combat violence through actions to increase awareness in society, together with allied social movements, and also through the elaboration of demands made to the State. We want to show how violence towards women occurs, its causes and how they manifest themselves, and make visible all forms of women's resistance to sexist violence, particularly in the collective sphere.

What are the formats for action?

Each National Coordinating Body (NCB) is free to define the format they feel is best for the 2010 action. Some ideas that are already being prepared include:



- **10-day marches**, with pre-arranged routes in one direction.
- Bus and train **caravans** with actions planned for the stops along route.
- **Artistic and cultural activities**, such as film exhibitions, theatrical presentations, workshops on creating instruments, posters, and other activities to encourage debate on the action areas of the March.
- Local organization of demonstrations in **support of actions** carried out by the WMW in other countries and regions.
- **Actions in front of companies** that produce arms, diplomatic representatives in countries that sell arms, and United Nations buildings.
- **Campaigns to boycott** products of multinationals associated with exploitation and war.

