



### Women On the Homepage – March 2016

"Let the Images of Women Speak Powerfully" #WomenOnHomepage



#### **CALL TO ACTION**

Public policies, based on international standards, are crucial to reaching gender equality in the media. It is for this reason that UNESCO launched last year the Global Survey on Gender and Media focusing on government actions. Close to 40 countries have responded. Read more in the preliminary report.

UNESCO and the Global Alliance on Media and Gender (GAMAG) call on all partners to feature government officials, *women or men,* on your homepage, who are actively promoting gender equality.

The Women on Homepage initiative calls for the use of homepages to promote gender equality. The theme of March 2016 focuses on "International *Women's* Day – Promoting and calling for public policy on gender and media"

## FEATURE One or More WOMAN ON YOUR HOMEPAGE

We invite stakeholders to participate in the theme Promoting and calling for public policy on gender and media "by featuring the images of women in government on the homepage of your website:

- ♦ Write a clear and simple caption for the image
- Link a strong paragraph to the image describing the person selected
- Keep your chosen image above the scroll (on the upper half of the homepage)
- ♦ Add "share" buttons to it
- Tell UNESCO about your actions by completing this short form:

http://www.unesco.org/new/en/wmn-promotion



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## Preliminary Findings of the GLOBAL SURVEY ON GENDER AND MEDIA

Data below are based on responses from 32 of the 40 countries.

54% of governments stated there are programmes of joint initiatives between government, women's groups, networks, and NGOs that are active in media and gender equality issues.

Only 15% of governments have budget to promote **gender equality in media staffing**, and 30% of governments in media content.

37% stated there have been reviews of existing **gender equality policies** of the publicly-owned media or audiovisual regulatory body/authority within the past three years.



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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- ◆ 18 March 2016: Side-event at CSW 2016, Breaking persistent challenges for gender equality in media, New York, USA
- 19 March 2016: Side-event at CSW 2016, GAMAG: Global Alliance on Media & Gender Europe & North America - Issues & Challenges
- 2-4 May 2016: World Press Freedom Day Helsinki,Finland http://www.unesco.org/new/en/wpfd
- ♦ 3-5 November 2016 (Tentative): Global Media and Information Literacy (MIL) Week Conference and First General Assembly of the Global Alliance for Partnerships on MIL, Soa Paulo, Brazil



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## **Women** On the Homepage



### Yes we must! Reach gender equality in the media by 2030

# Upcoming 2016 themes will be linked to the following International Days:

8 March <u>International Women's Day</u>

23 April World Book and Copyright Day

3 May World Press Freedom Day

4 June International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression

20 June World Refugee Day

12 August International Youth Day

8 September International Literacy Day

11 October International Day of the Girl Child

15 October International Day of Rural Women

24 October World Development Information Day

21 November World Television Day

25 November International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Womer

18 December International Migrants Day

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