



CONVENING CLIMATE RESILIENCE SALONS

We are convening **women in climate change, displaced and migrant women** to bring previously missing, and critical information to COP28 – creating representation where it counts and solutions by those who are most impacted by climate. The salons will consist of two streams: a **THINK TANK** and an **INCUBATOR**. Women hold a unique position in society, a critical role in enhancing climate change resilience and assist the world's most vulnerable communities. While women are disproportionately affected by climate change they are also 1st responders and leaders in their communities. As such they provide untapped potential in building long-term resilience. Women, including those who have experienced displacement, can be tremendous agents of change and hold the keys to our future. Join us in as partners, allies, sponsors, and participants!

Victims, adapters or climate resilience creators?

Women are often the most negatively impacted by climate crisis. But they are also most often the first in their community to respond to crisis. That gives them tremendous knowledge about preparing for crisis, appropriate responses, and more significantly, ways of avoiding such problems in the first place. They are also intimately involved in managing food and water resources, and yet are rarely supported by donors to do what they do best, and contribute what they know best.

Climate crises contain the seeds of their solutions; threats often offer relative opportunities. We want to propagate those seeds! Ancient wisdom tells us that solutions are possible only when we give proper attention to them. Women are a critical, and often overlooked, part of the solution. Who better to dive into problems than the very people most affected by, and most responsive to, these challenges? Women who have experienced displacement and migration have first hand knowledge of climate impacts in their home and adopted countries, and know which adaptations are working (and which ones aren't). The climate salon think tank will harness the lived experiences, the resilience and reservoirs of knowledge possessed by the populations most affected by climate change fallout – women experiencing displacement, female migrants, refugees and women climate activists and entrepreneurs.

Be part of our think tank

Climate crisis requires greater action, but also better informed action. A think tank ideally offers creative yet practical solutions to tackle the world's most pressing problems through a coalition of actors who support those ideas. Our think tank will shepherd these ideas in a dynamic context, to give actors working to improve our collective resilience to climate impact access to **evidence based research**.

A global opportunity

By convening a series of **27 salons** in **27 countries**, in both global south and developed countries we will gather collective and **critical learning from women**: 1) **impacts** of climate change on their communities, 2) **adaptations and responses** that are working (and are not), 3) **key insights** about how to re-frame and rethink traditional responses to climate change and 4) **infusing relevance** COP 28 and other climate conferences with **greater vibrancy and relevance**. We will cultivate this brain food and create the opportunity for change through our salons.

Why Salons?

The salon was an informal education for women, where they were able to exchange ideas, receive and give criticism, read their own works and hear the works and ideas of other intellectuals. Many ambitious women used the salon to pursue a form of higher education. During the Enlightenment in France, salons were a place where civilians of all social classes could gather and discuss ideas. They served as ground zero for the ideas present in the Declaration of Independence and—eventually—the French Revolution! We need Climate Resilience Salons, where women can exchange knowledge and ideas to help scale responses to climate impacts. We need women to be part of the Climate Change Revolution.

Why now?

In the wake of COP27 it is clear that women, and displaced women's voices were drowned out by the traditional, male-dominated leaders of industry, public sector and aid organization participants and elected officials. We want to build strong collaborations and partnerships with those who typically make the decisions that impact all of us. We want to create a bridge between those who want to make radical improvements to climate change adaptation and resilience by gathering and amplifying the voices of those who are prepared to offer new strategies for adaptation and new insight into building resilience.

We want to collaborate with:

- **Organizations and government entities** that are looking to extend their knowledge and approaches to climate adaptation and resilience from diverse voices with novel ideas
- **Organizations that focus on helping migrants, refugees and internally displaced people** gain access to resources and services
- **Climate change** and sustainable development organizations
- **Donors and funders** who would like to help us accelerate the learning so these powerful women can make their voices heard by helping us organize these local salons across the globe
- **Sponsors** for our salons and climate resilience incubator

Why us?

As **Convening Partners** of this series of Salons we are working together to make our shared vision a reality. We invite others to join us!

New Women Connectors, a non-profit organization led by migrant and refugee women working to achieve inclusive and fair policies for new women and advocate for systematic/structural change for meaningful participation.

trelyz is a female founded public service and humanitarian supply chain and logistics software company, and the creator of the **RefAid** app which has been helping migrants, displaced and refugees in nearly 50 countries for 7 years.

Greenconflict is a female founded consultancy, focusing on the development of green businesses, the development of renewable energy, and the formulation of sustainable policies.

Convening Partners are responsible for the organization and management of the Salons and **Supporting Partners** will help us find delegates as well as contributing their knowledge, expertise and support. If you would like to become involved as either, or a sponsor, please let us know!

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