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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are happy to present the fourth quarterly newsletter to our readers, who are interested in gender equality and women's economic empowerment in particular, in the MEDA region. [Read more >>](#)

RWEL Regional seminar on National Women's Machineries concludes in Cairo

As the first regional seminar of its kind, this event provided an opportunity to present the outcomes of research conducted in eight Mediterranean Arab countries (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, and Tunisia) and Turkey. [Read more >>](#)



Interview with Nüket Kardam, Researcher and Author of Assessment of National Women's Machineries in Turkey

Nüket Kardam is a specialist in gender, human rights, institutional change, and democratization.

Conducted during the Seminar on National Women's Machineries, Cairo, 13-14 June. [Read more >>](#)

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Jordan: Women Activists Prepare CEDAW Shadow Report

Source: *Women Living Under Muslim Laws* www.wlumf.org

Jordan's first-ever "shadow report" was presented at the 39th session of the United Nations' CEDAW Committee that took place on the 23 July – 10 August 2007. The report was presented by a delegation of Jordanian NGOs led by V-Day Karama Program. At this session, the government of Jordan presented its report on compliance with CEDAW Convention. Meanwhile, the "shadow report," prepared by Jordanian advocates for women's rights, details the government's areas of non-compliance and recommends policies to improve Jordan's protection of women's legal rights and safety from violence. The prevalence of violence against women represents one of the greatest challenges to Jordan's government today. [Read more >>](#)

Cyprus: Advocating Women's Rights: Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies (MIGS)

In the conclusions of the first Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Conference on "Strengthening the Role of Women in Society" in Istanbul, 2006, the Euro-Mediterranean partners agreed to take measures towards enabling the full and effective implementation of UN conventions on the human rights of women and in particular the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women (the CEDAW Convention). [Read more >>](#)

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Euromed "Role of Women in Economic Life"

CEDAW Country Status Assessment - 2006

This booklet produced by RWEL Program contains data that helps in monitoring the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination

against Women (CEDAW) in nine countries of the south
Mediterranean region

Booklet available in English & Arabic at:
www.euromedwomensrights.net.

UNIFEM

Advancing Gender Equality Using CEDAW & UN SC Resolution
1325 - Training Module. [Read more >>](#)

CEDAW and the Human Rights Based Approach to Programming:
A UNIFEM Guide. [Read more >>](#)

Budgeting for Women's Rights: Monitoring Government Budgets
for Compliance with CEDAW - 2006. [Read more >>](#)

World Bank

Status and Progress of Women in the Middle East and North Africa
(2007). [Read more >>](#)

Useful Websites

International Women's Rights Action Watch - Asia Pacific [Read
more >>](#)
www.iwraw-ap.org

United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women [Read
more >>](#)
<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/index.html>

University of Minnesota Human Rights Library
<http://www1.umn.edu/humanrts/cedaw/cedaw-page.htm>

Upcoming Events

Euro-Mediterranean Youth Forum for Gender Citizenship Education
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November 4-22 Cairo –Egypt
From Science to Action: Reproductive Health in the Arab Countries
[Read more >>](#)

December 17-18 Tunis – Tunisia
Follow-up seminar on National Women's Machineryes in the MEDA
region [Read more >>](#)

Women's world congress 2008, July, Spain [Read more >>](#)

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