



Thank you Chair.

My name is Gina Cortes speaking on behalf of the Women and Gender Constituency.

The world has changed since COP24. We see fierce female youth leaders leading the students' strikes weekly and they can count on our full solidarity - Can they count on yours?

The Paris Agreement calls for climate action with intergenerational equity. Parties have missed to mainstream this principle in Katowice but they can raise ambition now. In doing so we want to remind you - for climate action to be truly transformative and ambitious, it has to be gender responsive and people centered.

We congratulate the 48 states that have nominated and supported a national gender focal point and we call all other Parties to do so as soon as possible.

The Gender workshop taking place during SB50 allows us to honestly evaluate what has worked and what still needs to be done under the Lima Work Programme on Gender and the Gender Action Plan. Increasing the participation and capacities of indigenous and grassroots women is still lacking. Therefore, we call on a decision to continue the Lima Work Programme as well as the GAP at COP25!

The Koronivia joint work on agriculture must strengthen gender-responsive planning and budgeting for adaptation in the agricultural sector, as well as facilitate access to sustainable technologies and funding to small farmers.

On article 6 - to ensure environmental integrity, a strong and supportive governance framework should provide clear guidance on sustainability indicators, ensuring human rights and gender equality as well as enabling space for complaints of violating any of these principles. We appreciate the technical paper on loss and damage and welcome its conclusions on how adaptation, development and loss and damage intersect. However, there must be a clear differentiation between public money for compensation and insurance that burdens those at the frontlines of climate change.

Last but not least we congratulate Parties for the operationalisation of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform. We call your attention to incorporate our solutions, from youth groups, indigenous peoples and women from around the world, to this decisive round of talks in Bonn before it's too late!