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### Growth for women's rights

2012 was a year of growth for The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation. We became an even larger and stronger actor for women's rights in war and conflict. What began as a call for action against the mass rapes during the Balkan Wars has become a fundraising foundation, operating in five conflict regions and cooperating with over 130 women's organisations.

Even though twenty years have passed since the start, our efforts are needed more than ever as women's rights in war and conflict continue to be ignored. Equal Power – Lasting Peace, our new report about obstacles for women's peace work, shows that sexual violence is increasingly being used as a weapon of war. Discriminatory laws and slander, poverty and corruption limit women's possibilities of action. We hope that the report contributes to increased support for women working for peace, for their representation at negotiation tables and in politics.

In 2012, we opened our own field office in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, with the purpose of strengthening the women's movement. Last autumn, the violence in the region escalated, making The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's presence even more important, to support women's rights defenders in their tireless struggle for women's rights and to bring an end to the conflicts.

There was also a worrying development in the Middle East in 2012. In the wake of the Arab Spring, there is the ongoing conflict in Syria, with devastating consequences for the civilian population and the stream of refugees fleeing the country. In Egypt, women's rights have suffered a major setback. Sexual violence against women who protest against the new reactionary regime has increased. Our support of women activists in the region has never felt more important.

With our local presence and long-term strategies we provide crucial support to our partner organisations. We support women's efforts to be treated as actors for peace and democracy on equal terms with men. We believe in a society where the voices of both women and men are heard when political decisions are made. That's why we will continue our struggle!

Lena Ag U Secretary General

Stockholm, 2013

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Anna Lidén Head of administration



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The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation staff, consisting of 82 people, gathered in Stockholm in April 2012 for the annual development days.

### Wide support for women

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation gave financial support to local women's initiatives for:

- Human rights and education
- Women's organising
- Combating violence and sexual assault
- Participation in peace processes
- Women's physical and mental health
- Promoting political participation

### About The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation strengthens women in war and conflicts with the aim of increasing their power and influence in society. We cooperate with women's organisations that empower women to participate in the work for sustainable peace.

In wars and conflicts women and girls are used as weapons and targets. Women are subjected to mass rape, are mutilated and killed. Women are silenced when they raise their voices and express their thoughts. But history shows that women are instrumental in the struggle for peace. The world witnessed the importance of women in peace processes in the Balkans, in Liberia and in Northern Ireland. Nevertheless women are seldom allowed to take part in the processes of peace building.

This is why The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation exists. We cooperate with women's organisations that play an active part in peace and rebuilding processes. Our partner organisations educate in women's human rights, work with health issues and combat violence against women. They create meeting places for women, exert political influence and enables dialogue across conflict borders.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation influences development aid and security policies by contributing to increased awareness of the situation of women in conflicts and the importance of women's participation in peace processes. We spread information about women in conflicts to the general public, public bodies and organisations in Sweden and at EU and UN level.

### Our international activities

In 2012, The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation supported 132 women's organisations in five conflict regions: Central and West Africa, the Middle East, South Caucasus and the Western Balkans. We provided financial support and helped to establish contacts.

### Our model

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's working model is based on a long-term approach in the regions in which we are represented and cooperate with local women's organisations. Our strength lies in getting to know the organisations and taking their priorities seriously.

### Donations make a difference

Gifts enable us to pursue our work empowering women in conflict regions. Our own fundraising ensures that we get grants from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida). We also receive grants from the EU and the Norwegian and Dutch government.

### Swedish Postcode Lottery

In 2012, money from the Swedish Postcode Lottery was used in our work to empower women in war-ravaged countries and regions like Liberia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, South Caucasus, Macedonia and Montenegro. Money also went to advocacy efforts to urge the Swedish Government and the EU to act more expressly for women's rights in conflict regions.

We also received support from the Swedish Postcode Foundation's Human Rights Projects initiative for The Right to Peace and Security project. We initiated the project in cooperation with the Life & Peace Institute, an organisation that supports women in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

### Measurable results

When a project is concluded, the outcome is reported to our sponsors. Private donors are informed via newsletter. Each project is thoroughly evaluated and we constantly scrutinize our methods. In this way we strive to achieve the best possible results and ensure the continued development of our work.





Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations are working hard to make women's voices heard. On March 8 the organisation Anima in Montenegro arranged a demonstration.



Field activity expenses





Partner organisations

### Partner organisations 2012

### Central and West Africa

### The Democratic Republic of Congo

- Association des Femmes des Médias du Sud-Kivu (AFEM-SK)
- Cercle d'Echange pour le Développement des Jeunes dans la Région des Grands Lacs (CEDEJ-GL)
- Femmes en Action pour le Développement Intégré (FADI)
- Ministere de la Femme en action (MIFA)
- Solidarité des femmes activists pour la défence des droits humains (SOFAD)

#### Liberia

- Association of Female Lawyers of Liberia (AFELL)
- Centre for Liberian Assistance (CLA)
- Liberian Women Empowerment Network (LIWEN) • Southeastern Women Development Association
- (SEWODA) • The Mano River Women Peace Network
- (MARWOPNET), Liberia • The West Africa Network for Peace building
- (WANEP)
- West Point Women for Health and Development Organization (WPWHDO)
- Women NGOs Secretariat of Liberia (WONGOSOL) • Women Rights Watch (WORIWA)

### The Middle East

### Egypt

- Appropriate Communication Techniques for Development
- The Arabian Company for Consultancy, Development and Law
- Feminist for Social and Cultural Studies

### Iraq

- Amez organisation
- · Asuda for Combating Violence Against Women
- Baghdad Women's Association
- The Women's Media Education Center
- · Warvin Foundation for Women's Issues
- Women for Peace • Women Leadership Institute

### Israel/Palestine

- Aisha
- Al Tufula Centre
- Al Zahraa Arab Women Organization
- Ashoti
- Coalition of Women for Peace
- Gun Free Kitchen Tables Initiative
- Isha L'Isha
- It is time to take care of ourselves initiative
- Jerusalem Center for Women
- Ma'an: Forum of Negev Bedouin Women's Organization
- Palestinian Centre for Peace and Democracy
- Public Committee Against Torture in Israel
- SAWA
- The Palestinian Centre for Human Rights
- The Palestinian Working Woman Society for Development
- The Stars of Hope Society
- Women's Affairs Centre

### Women's Studies Centre

- Jordan
- Arab Women Organization of Jordan • Families Development Association
- · Jordanian Women's Union

- Kura Women Voluntary Society
- Mizan Law Group for Human Rights
- Rakeen Women Voluntary Society Sisterhood is Global Institute
- Queen Zeen Al-Sharaf Society

### Lebanon

- Association Najdeh
- · Collective for Research and Training on Development-Action
- KAFA (Enough) Violence & Exploitation
- · Lebanese Council to Resist Violence Against Women
- Lebanese Democratic Women Gathering
- Palestinian Women's Humanitarian Organisation

Most

Sarajevo Open Centre

• Kosovar Gender Studies Center

Mitrovica Women Association for Human Rights

Women's Committee for Protection and Human

Organizations of Kosovo (NRAEWOK)

Organisation of Women of Sveti Nikole

• Women's centre Woman of the 21st century

National Council for Gender Equality

ANIMA Centre for women and peace

Center for Roma Initiatives

Autonomous Women's Center

Dah Theatre Research Center

Novi Sad Lesbian Organization

Number of partner organisations

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SOS Hotline Niksic

Network of Roma, Ashkali and Egyptian Women's

Kosova Women's Network

United Women

Zenski Centar

Kosovo

Artpolis

Aureola

Legjenda

Open Door

• Ruka Ruci

Macedonia

Montenegro

education

Bona Fide

Serbia

ACT Women

• Centre for Girls

Catalysta

Fenomena

Sandglass

Women for Peace

Training Centre

Women's Forum

Women's Space

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Impuls

Rights

NGO 141

• Liria

• Edona

### South Caucasus

### Armenia

- Democracy Today
- Society Without Violence
- Women's Resource Center NGO Women's Rights Center

### Azerbaiian

- Association for the Protection of Women's Rights after D. Aliyeva
- Azerbaijan Feminist Club of YUVA Humanitarian Center
- Women's Association for Rational Development Women's Problems Research Union/Women's
- Institute

### Georgia incl Abkhazia & South Ossetia

- Anti-Violence Network of Georgia
- Association Gaenati
- Association of Women of Abkhazia
- Association "Woman and Development"
- Association "Imedi" IDP women's movement for peace Association of women of South Ossetia for democracy and human rights
- Cultural-Charity Centre "World without Violence" named after Zurab Achba
- Cultural-Humanitarian Fund "Sukhumi"
- Democrat Women's Organisation of Samtskhe-Javakheti
- Nongovernmental women's organization "Avangard".
- Women in Black • The Union of Business Women of Gagra · Women's Information Documentation
- Union of Business Women of Abkhazia
- · Union of Wives of Invalids and Lost Warriors
- Women's Information Center
- Women's Initiatives Supporting Group
- Women's Political Resource Center International

### The Western Balkans

### Albania

- Agritra-Vizion Centre • Association for Women with Social Problems
- AWEN (Albanian Women's Network)
- · Gender Alliance for Development Centre

• Women's Forum Elbasan

**Bosnia and Herzegovina** 

· Centre of Legal Assistance for Women

Partner organisations

- Gruaja tek Gruaja
- Psycho-Social Center Vatra • Une, Gruaja

CURE Foundation

Buducnost

 Duvanike Forum Zena

• Horizonti

Lara

### HIGHLIGHTS

### Film screening in Monrovia

In June, Kvinna till Kvinna arranged a screening of the film Wallström's Resolution together with the Ministry for Gender Equality and Development in Liberia, the Swedish Embassy and the UN Joint Programme on Sexual and Gender Violence in Monrovia. The 118 guests included country representatives from the UN Population Fund in Liberia, representatives from the UN Mission in Liberia, the EU representation in Liberia and civil society representatives.

#### Street theatre in Liberia

During the year, Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation Centre for Liberian Assistance (CLA) took part in an international campaign called 16 Days of Activism to End Violence against Women and Children. The campaign included street theatre and radio coverage.



CLA used street theatre to highlight violence against women.

### Eagerly awaited congress

In March Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation SEWODA held its first congress in many years. Focus was on women's political representation and violence against women. SEWODA is an umbrella organisation for a hundred local organisations in south-eastern Liberia.

### Make Room for Peace

In November, Congolese partner organisations met in Bukavu to discuss Kvinna till Kvinna's publications Make Room for Peace and Equal Power – Lasting Peace. The content of the report Equal Power – Lasting Peace was partly gathered in DR Congo.

# Central and



In Kiliba village in south Kivu, DR Kongo, The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's partner organisation FADI arranged narrative theatre during the year. The audience participates by suggesting solutions to problems. This type of theatre is built around jointly identifying and resolving conflicts by spotlighting both the problem and the solution.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's activities in Africa continually grow and in 2012 an office was opened in the DR Congo, a country shaken by escalating violence. In Liberia, Kvinna till Kvinna has worked for a domestic violence legislation.

It was a tough year for women's rights activists in the DRC. Armed groups threatened activists, using considerably more violence than in a long time. The biggest story was the attempted murder of human rights activist Dr Mukwege, who treats raped women. The worsening security situation forced two members of Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations to leave the country.

Even though the opening of the office in

Bukavu in September was overshadowed by the unstable situation, it was still a great success. Field representative Katarina Carlberg is there to establish new contacts with the partner organisations. She says their main issues have been women's leadership and women's participation in decision-making processes. Combating sexual violence in schools, literary initiatives for women and support for women activists were also focus areas.

# Western Africa



"We also work with women's possibilities in politics, which we pursue together with the International Alert organisation. Together, we arrange leadership training for women in politics, financial management and seminars on gender equality," says Katarina Carlberg.

### Partner meeting in Liberia

The Liberian women's movement was instrumental in bringing about peace following the brutal war of 1989 to 2003. But since the signing of the peace treaty, many women's activists experience a lack of influence. It is also difficult for women's organisations to find a new role and know what to focus on.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation was established in Liberia in 2011 and held its first partner organisation meeting in 2012. "As Liberia is relatively new to us, the focus is on networking and finding organisations to cooperate with. Things have turned out very well," says Mie Romée, coordinator for Liberia.

### Influential working group

During the year, Kvinna till Kvinna was invited to join a working group with the task of combating violence against women. The group consists of ministers and civil society actors and works to get a domestic violence legislation introduced.

"Being part of this group enables us to wield more influence and establish ourselves among external actors. Kvinna till Kvinna is also part of one of the EU Delegation working groups," continues Mie Romée.

#### Distribution of means

Central and West Africa was allocated 13 per cent of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's funds for field activities, a total of 1 153 000 Euro in 2012.



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Legal advice for young women

During the year Kvinna till Kvinna continued to support Cercle d'Echange pour le Développement des Jeunes dans la Région des Grands Lacs (CEDEJ-GL), an organisation that, among other things, works to combat sexual harassment in schools in Uvira, DRC. CEDEJ-GL has hired a lawyer to attend information meetings. The lawyer is also engaged in a project called School Clubs, where pupils learn about their rights and can ask questions about discrimination and harassment.



The 3-year project in DR Congo with International Alert.

### Alert cooperation

In an attempt to increase women's political and societal participation, Kvinna till Kvinna and International Alert have started a 3-year project in DR Congo. 2012 was the project's second year. Five of Kvinna till Kvinna's Congolese partner organisations are involved in the project and during the year they held a leadership skills workshop for women in politics.



LIBERIA During the year, Kvinna till Kvinna arranged two seminars on security. Audrey Briggs from Centre for Liberian Assistance and Nelly S. Cooper from West Point Women for Health and Development Organisation participated.



President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, in light blue, attended the women's movement meeting in Liberia in November. The purpose was to unite and shape future political strategies.

# Workshop with the President to regain lost ground

The election in Liberia 2011 brought a decline of the number of elected women. President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf and The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation were present when the women's movement and female politicians met to scheme to regain lost ground.

The Liberian women's movement is world famous for its demonstrations that led to peace in the country. In recent years, however, disagreements have arisen over the ways to increase the number of women in the legislative assemblies, the Senate and the House of Representatives.

"There is even a split among the elected women themselves. Some recommend a 50 per cent quota, others a 30 per cent and a third group doesn't want a quota at all," says Susanne Mannberg, field representative in the capital Monrovia.

### Meeting at Capitol Hill

In June, President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf urged the members of the Women's Legislative Caucasus of Liberia (WLCL) – an alliance of the ten elected women – to take their responsibility and work actively to change the situation.

"We began to discuss with WLCL and our partner organisation WONGOSOL how to support such a process best. It resulted in a twoday workshop in the Capital Hill parliament building in November, financed by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation," continues Susanne Mannberg.

### Strategies and goals

The 50 delegates were selected to represent different parts of the women's movement. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's staff took part and Ida Udovic, regional manager for Africa, was among the speakers. President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf and several ministers attended the first day of the workshop. The long-term goal is to form an alliance between the popularly elected women, the women's movement and the Ministry of Gender and Development.

### **Cooperation on local conflict resolution**



Plenty of ideas were exchanged when women and peace organisations in DR Congo met through a new partnership between The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation and Life & Peace Institute. Dina Muhirwa takes notes. Politics and conflict resolution is the men's arena in DR Congo. A new cooperation between The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation and the Life & Peace Institute aims to contribute to break down women's discrimination in conflict resolution at a local level.

Violence, poverty and corruption are some of the obstacles that keep women from influencing and shaping their lives. Politics is regarded as a no-go area for women and those who enter the political arena are labeled as rebels and prostitutes. There are many women in Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations who try to take part in politics and conflict resolution. To support them, Kvinna till Kvinna started a cooperation with the Life & Peace Institute, who works with local conflict resolution initiatives in eastern Congo.

The Swedish Postcode Lottery sponsors the 3-year initiative with 8 million SEK.

### Long-term work

"We've tried to insert a gender perspective into our work, but it hasn't been sufficiently systematic. Together with Kvinna till Kvinna we hope to reach out to more women and ensure them a seat at the table when local disputes are solved," says Zaurati Nasibu from Life & Peace in Bukavu.

Life & Peace's approach to conflict resolution is a long-term one, to solve local disputes involving as many parties as possible.

### Joint goals

Gégé Katana from the SOFAD organisation in Uvira is optimistic.

"Women's organisations work with peace issues but lack strategies and networks. In this initiative we join forces with the joint attitude that women are key actors in peace processes," she explains.

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#### Scout meeting to improve understanding

During the summer a scout meeting was held in Burundi as part of a peace initiative of Kvinna till Kvinna and the scout movement supported by Swedish Postcode Lottery donations. The initiative aims at promoting peace and understanding across country borders. Scout organisations from the Great Lakes region (DRC, Rwanda and Burundi) took part, together with scouts from Sweden.

#### Bill outlawing domestic violence in Liberia

In 2012, the Association of Female Lawyers of Liberia (AFELL) became member of a work group that is drawing up a bill to outlaw domestic violence. The group is led by the Ministry of Justice in Liberia. AFELL is one of Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations and during the year AFELL gave civil society actors the opportunity to make suggestions about the bill.



The women's organisation Lebanese Women Democratic Gathering took part in a march for gender equality in Beirut on May 19. Their demands included a minimum of 39 per cent women in all legislative bodies, full citizenship for women and the abolition of the discrimination of women in the penal laws. Photo: Riad Issa and Marie Therese El Mir

Light weapons are easily available and are used in honour killings.

# The Middle East

2012 was a year of instability in the Middle East. Dictators were toppled and replaced by new leaders, but women's rights continued to be ignored. Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations have worked broadly, covering issues from domestic violence to lobbying for legislation.

The popular protests that began in 2011 fostered democratic processes in several countries in the region, which was greatly welcomed by women's organisations.

2012 also saw the uprising in Syria, from where an estimated million people were forced to flee. The conflict in Syria has affected the region as a whole.

### **IRAQ:** Too many weapons

Violence against women increased in Iraq during 2012. Women's organisations in the country regard the easy access to weapons as a key part of the problem, an issue they continue to raise.

"Light weapons are easily available and are used in honour killings," says Lanja



Young women at a workshop arranged by Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation Women's Leadership Institute (WLI) in Baghdad. WLI arranges workshops with the purpose of empowering women in politics and civil society.

Abdullah, president of the women's organisation Warvin.

Warvin has started a long-term project in the Kurdistan region to urge politicians to show responsibility on the issue. According to Warvin, the region has no functioning laws or practise to limit the access to weapons. But the problem is not only regional: In 2012, the President of the Federal Government of Iraq allowed weapons in the home, arguing that they are needed to defend the family.

### **EGYPT: Continued political unrest**

A presidential election and a constitutional referendum were held in Egypt in 2012. Despite the women's movement's strong mobilisation, the election results were a setback for women's political participation, and the new constitution does not specifically mention women's rights.

Women's organisations denounced the increasing sexual harassment and struggled to maintain the laws safeguarding women's rights.

Kvinna till Kvinna's efforts during the year focused on continued support and empowerment of women's activists.

### JORDAN: Women are more visible

Thanks to the Arab Spring, women's rights activists in Jordan now play a more prominent role in public life and the issues they raise are being debated.

"Throughout the year, women's organisations have continued to struggle with the citizenship issue, demanding equal rights for women to pass their nationality on to their children and when marrying a foreign national," explains Johanna Wassholm, field representative in Jordan.

### **LEBANON:** Increased tensions

Lebanon experienced a year of instability, caused by the uprising in neighbouring Syria and the stream of refugees. This also had an impact on the work of women's organisations. However, despite the increased tensions and the imminent risk of a chasm in the country, women's organisations have continued to mobilise. During the year, Lebanese and Palestinian women's organisations took part in joint manifestations to demand justice, protection against violence and equality before the law and on the job market.

### **ISRAEL: Harsh reality for activists**

Israeli society has become increasingly conservative and segregated during the year.

"There doesn't appear to be much light at the end of the tunnel for our partner organisations. They're fighting for peace and justice in the face of threats. Therefore, we have focused on helping activists to find the energy to continue their work and also on combating discrimination against women and ethnic minorities," says Anna Björkman, coordinator for Israel and Palestine.

### **PALESTINE: Female candidates in Hebron**

In October, local elections were held in Palestine and several women stood for election. Prior to the elections, Kvinna till Kvinna financed a programme organised by the Palestinian Working Woman's Society for Development to train women in election campaigning.

"One of our partner organisations, Palestinian Center for Peace and Democracy, held a course on democracy. They reported that a former student was elected by her constituency," says Anna Björkman, coordinator for Israel and Palestine.

Partner organisations witness of a difficult year in Gaza. No elections were held due to a boycott of Hamas and war broke out with Israel in November.

#### Distribution of means



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Meeting with the Swedish Queen Silvia. Photo: The Royal Court

#### Political exchange in Stockholm

Women politicians and women's rights activists from Egypt, Tunisia and Libya visited Sweden in November. Kvinna till Kvinna arranged meetings with Swedish politicians, decision makers, journalists and Queen Silvia to discuss the status of women in their homelands and ways in which Sweden can support them.

### Success in Lebanon

The process to introduce legislation in Lebanon outlawing violence against women was started by Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation KAFA in 2008. Since then, KAFA has campaigned with other women's organisations to keep the draft law intact and to e.g. get marital rape acknowledged as a criminal offense. In July 2012, the legislation was passed by a preparatory sub-committee to the parliament.



HONOURED Iraqi Shatha Naji Hussein was honoured by the UN Assistance Mission for Iraq for her work for women's rights in 2012. Shatha leads Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation Women for Peace.

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Visit at the Jordanian Family Protection Department.

### Joint strategies

Women's rights activists from Iraq, the West Bank, Gaza and Jordan held a meeting in Amman in September, arranged by Kvinna till Kvinna with the purpose of developing strategies to combat violence against women. The activists discussed ways to provide women with psychosocial and legal support and possibilities to influence legislation.

#### Inspiration for crisis centres

The staff of Somaya, a Swedish crisis centre for women and girls, took a field trip to Jordan to visit one of Kvinna till Kvinnas's partner organisations in May. And in December, the Uppsala Tjejjour crisis centre visited partner organisations in Palestine. The purpose of the visit in Palestine was to inform the women's organisations about young girls' perspectives on violence against women.

#### Gender course for judges

In 2012, several of Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations in the Iraqi Kurdistan region continued their efforts to combat violence against women. They worked hard to implement the 2011 regional law against all forms of violence against women.

Women's Media and Education Center, WMEC, taught a course on gender law for lawyers and human rights activists. WMEC also taught police officers, judges, government investigators and other civil servants.

# Young women enter the political arena

Where lie young women's priorities? A 3-year regional program called Young Women's Peace Activism started in the Middle East during the year and will hopefully provide the answer.

The voices of the young are seldom acknowledged within organisations or in invitations to international meetings.

"One reason is that more established organisation leaders find it difficult to make room for younger people," explains Anna Björkman, coordinator for Israel and Palestine.

"Another is that young people prefer social media and direct campaigning. They find the traditional, long-term processes too slow and complex."

### **Courses and exchanges**

All over the Middle East an increasing number of young women are getting politically active, but their ideas are seldom taken seriously. Therefore, The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation arranges courses and exchanges to support young women and teach them the skills they need to take their place in the political arena.

### Meeting in Alexandria

In November, about thirty young women from Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt, Iraq, Israel and Serbia met in Alexandria, Egypt.

"The aim was to provide an opportunity to meet and share experiences. It also gave us a better insight into these young women's situation. Why and how their approach to activism differs from older women's," Anna Björkman explains.

### A vibrant women's movement

The work with young women in the Middle East is important to create the preconditions for a stable and vibrant women's movement. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation supports several initiatives who focus on young women in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Palestine.



About thirty young activists gathered in Alexandria in November. In the middle: Salma Hosni from Egypt.



Palestinian activists Lina Saleh, Rania Awedallah and Areej Alghanem took part in an integrated security workshop arranged by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation in Jordan. Integrated security is about helping women's rights activists to protect themselves.

### The importance of self-care

Middle East feminists have put the importance of self-care on the political agenda this year. When activists suffer from burn-out, the work for women's rights comes to a standstill.

Most women's organisations in the Middle East work on several fronts and meet tough opposition. Social norms and religious powers strive to keep women in the private sphere. Female activists also neglect their needs. Their upbringing dictates them to be perfect wives and mothers, which is in direct conflict with their activist identities. In this stressful setting, self-care gets political proportions.

### Integrated security

In the wake of the Arab Spring, as democratic systems, constitutions and laws are drafted, the work of women's activists is never-ending. Burn-out is very common. To have the strength to remain committed is essential for continuous work. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation arranged several workshops on security with emphasis on personal security and self-care during 2012. The approach is called integrated security. A security workshop was held in Iraq in April, attended by women from The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's partner organisations.

"Activists work 24/7, so they don't have time to think about security. This workshop taught the participants about the importance of self-care," says Jwan Latif, participant from the Asuda organisation.

A workshop contains both discussions and practical exercises. For example the activists share their strategies to cope with risks and threats they are exposed to. Relaxation exercises are also included.

### Old habits die hard

Results from countries where the workshop has been held show a great need for women's rights activists to share experiences and learn techniques to break old habits of neglecting self-care.

"Organisations in Egypt, Iraq, Israel and Palestine have started processes to introduce these ideas in their daily work," says Petra Zäther Strader, coordinator for Iraq.

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### **Conference in Lebanon**

As a member of the Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network (EMHRN), Kvinna till Kvinna together with partner organisations in Lebanon, arranged the conference EU-Lebanon Neighbourhood Policy Action Plan in Beirut in June. The aim was to present recommendations for increased gender equality to the EU and local decision makers.

#### Swedish minister pays a visit

The Swedish Minister for Development Cooperation, Gunilla Carlsson, visited the Women's Studies Centre and Palestinian Centre for Peace and Democracy in Nablus in June. The meeting focused on the situation of Palestinian women.



Palestinian women met the Swedish minister Gunilla Carlsson.

#### Anti-weapon campaign

Israeli security personnel often take their weapons home. The Gun Free Kitchen Tables initiative campaigns for a clarification of the law banning service weapons from the home. Thanks to support from Kvinna till Kvinna, the campaign has attracted a great deal of media coverage.



Gun Free Kitchen Tables logotyp.



Activists from South Caucasus met at the Young Women's Network meeting in Istanbul in November. In the foreground: Marine Margaryan from Pink Armenia.

The feminist summer school helped me realize that men have no right to behave the way they do.

Elene Natenadze, participant.

# **South Caucasus**

In 2012, The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation celebrated ten years of cooperation with women's organisations in South Caucasus. Advocacy, women's peace work and young women's activism were the main focus areas during the year.

South Caucasus is a region dominated by frozen conflicts, where women's rights rank low on the political agenda. That's why Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations work for women's right to actively participate in peace negotiations. During the year they have strived to engage more women politically, but the Georgian parliamentary elections in October showed that there is still a long way to go – the number of female MPs was as low as before the election. As part of a long-term strategy, Kvinna till Kvinna and its partner organisations have in 2012 worked to put young women's activism and commitment on the political agenda. One of the year's biggest events was the November meeting of the Young Women's Network of South Caucasus in Istanbul. For three days, young women escaped the daily grind to meet like-minded women from neighbouring countries and discuss joint issues of the region, particularly those connected with sexual and



Young activists from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Turkey attended a week-long feminist summer school in Georgia.



To celebrate Kvinna till Kvinna's ten years in Georgia Nanuka Mzavanadz from Women's Political Resource Center (far right) cuts the anniversary cake.

reproductive rights. The meeting ended with a statement on a joint goal: to develop a platform to increase visibility, cooperation and activism in the region.

### The importance of self-care

A workshop on security and sustainable activism was held in connection to the meeting. It taught methods of self-care to enable young activists to prevent burn-out and how to handle risks and threats. The participants expressed joy and relief at being able to share their experiences.

"We become so involved in our work at times that we fail to see the threats," explained a participant.

Another initiative during summer was a

week-long summer school in Georgia for young women from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Turkey. Lika Nadaraia, founder of the summer school and head of the Women's Political Resource Center in Georgia, says that the meeting between women is the main purpose of the school, not only for sharing knowledge and experience, but also to network with other feminist organisations. Kvinna till Kvinna has supported the summer school since its start in 2010.

### **Cooperation for peace**

Kvinna till Kvinna works with four other European peace organisations within the framework of an EU-financed initiative (EPNK). The project aims to support civil society's peace efforts in the Nagorno-Karabach conflict. Phase two of the project started in 2012 and will run for three years.

### **Distribution of means**

South Caucasus was allocated 17 per cent of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's funds for field activities, a total of 1 517 000 Euro in 2012.



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### Support to LBT women

The situation for LBT women (lesbian, bisexual, transgender) in Georgia is still extremely difficult. In 2012, Kvinna till Kvinna started a partnership with two organisations that work for LBT women's rights: Women's Initiative Supporting Group and Women and Development.

"By reaching out to people, offer a community, legal, medical and psychological support, and at the same time advocate strategically, we hope that this partnership will move forward the position of LBT women," says Jenny Sundberg, coordinator for South Caucasus.

### Network for men

Women's Rights Centre in Armenia has started a network for men opposing violence against women. A core group of volunteers have been trained and they are working to involve more men in awarenessraising of domestic violence and to counteract gender stereotypes.

#### New peace award

Women of South Caucasus for Peace and Security, a regional peace network of Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations, endowed a new award in 2012.

"The award makes women's experience and wisdom in building peace visible and educates society in the art of peace making," says Gulnara Shahinian from Democracy Today, Armenia.

The prize was awarded to three young women from North Caucasus in Tbilisi in April.



The award makes women's achievements visible, says Gulnara Shahinian.

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The government needs to put its money where its mouth is and provide the necessary funding to combat gender based violence.

Lara Aharonian from Women's Resource Center in Armenia at the UN Human Rights Committee in Geneva. One of the Committee's main recommendations was the adoption of a domestic violence law in Armenia.



In 2012, we celebrated our organisation's tenth anniversary. It was a year in which we lobbied for several improvements in politics, among them the duplication of our model for prenatal classes.

Shahla Ismail is active in the Women's Association for Rational Development in Baku, an organisation that among other things strives to change attitudes and increase knowledge about pregnancy and childbirth.

## **Eurovision winner Loreen**

"Don't lose sight of your dreams. Try to fulfil them against all odds. Your persistence will inspire other women in Azerbaijan," said Loreen when she met Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation, YUVA, in Azerbaijan.

When it became clear that Loreen would be competing for Sweden in the Eurovision Song Contest in Baku in May, Kvinna till Kvinna contacted her to ask if she would like to visit women's organisations, which she gladly did. Pervana Mammadova, a founding member of YUVA, appreciated the visit and was inspired by the meeting with Loreen.

"I was so glad to hear that she is a feminist. She's different from the pop stars we have here. They would never make such statements. Loreen is a great role model."

Azerbaijan Feminist Group of YUVA Humanitarian Center, focuses its efforts on young women with the aim of empowering them to take a bigger place in society. They arrange group discussions for young women, hold seminars in gender equality issues and courses in leadership skills.

The organisation also works to promote solidarity between women across national and ethnic borders. YUVA also offers English courses and other skills to young internally displaced women to help them find a way into the community and onto the labour market.

### Old habits can be broken

Azerbaijan is a country shaped by strong traditional values that put men at the forefront. The young women at YUVA explained to Loreen the importance of YUVA as a place where they can get information and talk about their problems – and their dreams.



"I recognize the way women live here," said Loreen, who is of Moroccan descent.

She pointed out to the similarities between the countries with regard to gender inequalities and said old habits may die hard, but change is possible.

"We will carry on the work the women before us started. We are the new generation,

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Few women in parliament

In October, Georgia's new government was appointed by the newly elected parliament. For the first time in the country's history power was handed over peacefully; it was a victory for democracy but not for women's participation and representation. Three of the top government posts went to women, but the number of female members in the Georgian parliament is with 10.8 per cent the lowest in Europe.

"Long-term stability will not be achieved in Georgia until more women are included in the decision processes. Otherwise issues concerning women's situation will continue to be marginalised, leading to a lack of gender equality, human rights violations and social imbalance," says Alla Gamakharia from Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation Cultural-Humanitarian Fund "Sukhumi".

## inspires activists



we demand space and we speak out. This is the way to bring about change."

### **Pleasantly surprised**

Sabrina, one of the activists who met Loreen, was a bit overwhelmed by the media coverage.

"It's a huge thing for us that Loreen comes here and listens!" she says.

Pervana Mammadova and YUVA were very pleased with the media attention that Loreen's visit attracted to women's rights in Azerbaijan.

"We've never had so much interest in our activities before. Millions of Swedish eyes were looking at Azerbaijan, which means a great deal to us."



No to violence in tv! says SWV.

### Campaigns against violence on tv

Violence against women in Armenian tv soaps is too prevalent, claims Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisation Society Without Violence (SWV). The organisation has analysed ten female main characters, all of them are subjected to violence and never had the right to take their own decisions. To catch tv companies and viewers attention, SWV organised a petition and produced a campaign video in 2012.



Manana Mebuke and Lira Kozaeva live on either side of the conflict divide.

### Still friends despite frozen conflict

Manana Mebuke and Lira Kozaeva are friends against all odds. In their joint struggle for women's rights they do not let the Georgian-South Ossetian conflict influence their work.

Manana Mebuke is the founder and chairperson of the women's organisation Union of Wives of Invalids and Lost Warriors in Georgia, a country afflicted by internal conflicts dating back to independence from the Soviet Union in 1991. The conflict has led to the breakaway of the Abkhazia and South Ossetia regions.

Lira Kozaeva lives in South Ossetia and is chairperson of Association of women of South Ossetia for democracy and human rights.

The two organisations cooperate through parallel programs on either side of the conflict divide. They educate women in human rights, UN resolution 1325 and conflict awareness. Kvinna till Kvinna cooperates with both organisations.

Meetings between women are a crucial part of their work; partly to renew trust in each other, partly to counteract enemy images. Manana Mebuke says it is not always easy to meet across the conflict divide but that the women share a desire for peace.

In 2008, an armed conflict broke out over the control over South Ossetia. Even though things have stabilised somewhat since then, Georgia is still affected by the frozen conflict. The relationship between Manana and Lira could be described as the opposite: boundless and full of understanding.

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The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's partner organisations from Montenegro and Serbia attended a networking meeting in Kovacica, Serbia, in September. In the middle, getting notes written on her back, is Zorica Nikoli from the organisation ACT Women. Sara Salji from Impuls is watching.

There's a huge gap between the rights guaranteed to women by law and reality.

# The Western Balkans

Financial crisis and frozen conflicts are putting the brake on political reforms in the Western Balkans. The women's movement also needs rejuvenation, and The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has focused on young women's activism during the year.

Nationalism is widespread and dominates politics in most of the Balkan countries in which Kvinna till Kvinna operates. Minority groups are particularly vulnerable. A traditional nationalistic view of women as housewives rather than active members of society makes it difficult for Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations to reach out with their message. During the year Kvinna till Kvinna has focused on increasing young women's activism to give them more influence within the women's movement.

"We think this is a good way to sustain the women's movement. We've arranged leadership courses for young women and young women have taken part in more regional exchange programmes than before," explains Hanna Sällström, regional coordinator for the Western Balkans.

One example is the dialogue with the women's movement in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which has opened the door for young women to participate. Most of Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations have bought into the idea and are bringing increasingly more young activists to the forefront.

### Young women's activism

One particularly successful initiative in 2012 was an exchange programme for young women from Kosovo and Serbia, who visited each other's countries for the first time. This proved to be a very effective way of dealing with prejudices and the group will continue to work together. A regional project called Young Women's Activism was also launched during the year. Women activists from the Balkan countries had the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas and experiences on a number of occasions.

### Tough climate for activists

In 2012, a new coalition government, dominated by nationalists, was elected in Serbia. This has raised concerns within civil society as well as in neighbouring countries and the climate for activists is becoming increasingly tougher.

In Kosovo there were several attacks on LG-BTQ activists in December. One attack was at the launch of a magazine about sexuality and gender. In northern Kosovo, with a majority of Serb population, the situation is still unstable and the unresolved conflict between Kosovo and Serbia continues to leave its mark on the divided town of Mitrovica.

### Weak support for dialogue

The EU-led dialogue between the Serbia and Kosovo leaders was resumed in 2012. There is little public support for the dialogue and public protests against the governments in both Serbia and Kosovo occurred. Political antagonism in Macedonia is obvious, one example was the fight in parliament in December, resulting in eighteen people getting injured, including several MPs.

### Twenty years since war broke out

Bosnia and Herzegovina marked the 20th Anniversary of the start of the war in April 1992 while the legal repercussions of the war keep the ICTY in The Hague busy. In the last months of 2012, several people in leading positions during the war were acquitted of war crimes, among them former Kosovo Prime Minister Haradinaj and two Croatian generals. At the same time, the lawsuits against the notorious Bosnian Serbs Mladic and Karadzic continue.

"The inability to convict those who played a leading role in the war is a cause of concern for many in the women's movement. The legitimacy of the court will be questioned if it fails to condemn the guilty parties on all sides of the conflict. Reconciliation is still out of reach," says Hanna Sällström.

"The implementation of laws to protect women is lagging behind in all the countries in which Kvinna till Kvinna operates in the region. There's a huge gap between the rights guaranteed to women by law and the reality."

Distribution of means

### HIGHLIGHTS

### Funding for help lines

SOS for SOS, a national campaign organised by the Women Against Violence network in Serbia, secured government funding for four help lines for women.

### Visit by the UN

UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women, Dr Rashida Manjoo, visited Bosnia and Herzegovina in October and met women's organisations. After the visit, Dr Manjoo urged the Bosnian Government to acknowledge the sexual violence that women suffered during the war and their right to justice.

### Laws under review

Sexual violence during the conflict in Kosovo has been in the spotlight during the year. The women's movement arranged a demonstration on March 8 that led to an extra parliamentary sitting.

#### Unique cooperation

Eight women's organisations formed the Albanian Women Empowerment Network (AWEN) with support from Kvinna till Kvinna. AWEN has, among other things, campaigned for changes of the electoral law.



In December, AWEN demonstrated against domestic violence.

#### Efforts pay off

Through persistent lobbying, the Organisation of Women of Sveti Nikole in Macedonia brought the UN Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women to the attention of politicians on the national level.



Vildana Džekman, Vedrana Frašto and Jadranka Miličević from the CURE Foundation, an activist group working for gender equality in Bosnia and Herzegovina, attended a networking meeting in Doboj in December.

### a total of 2 143 000 Euro in 2012.

The Western Balkans was allocated 24

per cent of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's funds for field activities,



Fana Delija and Fatima Naza proudly received the Anna Lindh Memorial Fund Award in Stockholm in 2012. E

# Award to activists in Montenegro

"Fatima Naza and Fana Delija fight for Roma women's rights with great courage and determination. The Centre for Roma Initiatives and its founders are an inspiration to us all." That was the citation from the Anna Lindh Memorial Fund when awarding the organisation for its work in Montenegro.



Photo: Christina Wassholm

Ten years ago, the lives of Fatima Naza and Fana Delijas looked very different. They lived in a Roma area and seldom left the four walls of their home.

"I was neither allowed to move freely nor to take decisions about my life. I often wondered why," says Fana Delija.

### Vital meeting place

Their life started to change when Fana and Fatima began to take part in activities arranged by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's partner organisation SOS Hotline Niksic, who provides meeting possibilities for young Roma women. They learned about human rights and discussed with other Roma women the importance of education and the right to take decisions about one's life. This led to the forming of the Centre for Roma Initiatives in 2004, supported by SOS Hotline Niksic and Kvinna till Kvinna. Today, the centre has an office and runs projects with financial support from Kvinna till Kvinna amongst others.

### **Pleasing progress**

The Centre for Roma Initiatives has contributed to several achievements. Today, nearly all Roma women give birth in hospital, compared to 40 per cent ten years ago. The number of children attending school has multiplied. Fatima and Fana have been a driving force behind Montenegro adopting a national action plan for Roma people and a special action plan for Roma women. The hard work has paid off. Eighty per cent of the recommendations put forward by the CRI on e.g. education, healthcare and protection for women exposed to violence, have been included in Montenegro's 2012–2016 Roma strategy. The work on a special strategy for women continues.

Fana Delija and Fatima Naza work closely

together and share the

same enthusiasm for

women's rights.



The Centre for Roma Initiatives uses many ways to raise sensitive subjects. This is a forum theatre in the Roma neighbourhood of Niksic. Fatima Naza plays the role of a woman subjected to abuse in her home.



Stasa Zajovic, activist in Women in Black, supports the Women's Court.

### The Women's Court

The idea of a Balkan regional Women's Court where women can testify about crimes committed against them during the war came up over ten years ago. Things are progressing and women's organisations from most parts of former Yugoslavia are now involved.

Women's Court – A Feminist Approach to Justice is not a traditional court that has power to sentence criminals, but an alternative platform that focuses on crime victims rather than on perpetrators. It is a long-term process that is just as important as the goal to hold a regional tribunal in 2014. The demand for the Women's Court stems from the regional power's lack of taking responsibility.

Things have progressed during 2012, but the road forward is paved with obstacles. In Bosnia and Herzegovina organisations have reacted to the lack of women's testimony in the country's Serbian entities. The women's movement in Kosovo has chosen to focus on official processes in the European Union Rule of Law Commission (EULEX), which has the power to sentence perpetrators.

#### Ready to testify

In Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia educational and awarenessraising activities took place throughout the year and many women are ready to testify at the tribunal. Things are also progressing in Croatia and Slovenia.

The Women's Court receives financial support from Kvinna till Kvinna, made possible by grants from Sida and the Folke Bernadotte Academy.



## **Broad media coverage**

In 2012, The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation received a lot of media coverage and gave expert comments on DRC and Egypt on tv. Kvinna till Kvinna also initiated a debate on the situation of women in Azerbaijan with help of the singer Loreen.

In May, the European spotlights were turned on the Eurovision Song Contest in Azerbaijan – a country where child marriage is still a reality for many girls and where women's rights are low on the agenda. Kvinna till Kvinna took the opportunity to invite Loreen, Sweden's entry in the competition, to a meeting with one of its partner organisations, YUVA Feminist Group in Azerbaijan. One of the campaigners in the organisation, Pervana Mammadova, expressed great joy over the meeting.

### **Op-ed on conflict minerals**

Because of the escalating violence in DR Congo, Kvinna till Kvinna and Margot Wallström together wrote an op-ed in the Swedish newspaper, Dagens Nyheter, on the situation of women in DR Congo. The demand was an end to the trade in conflict minerals. Kvinna till Kvinna also held lectures on DR Congo and organised a demonstration together with other organisations. EU and Swedish politicians were urged to take greater measures to end the conflicts in the region. Kvinna till Kvinna's knowledge of DR Congo led to several invitations as experts in the media, e.g. on the Swedish Television's news program Aktuellt, and Swedish Radio's Ekot.

### Study on obstacles for women

In the fall, Kvinna till Kvinna's report Equal Power – Lasting Peace was launched in both Stockholm and Brussels. The report was covered by Swedish Television, who invited Lena Ag and peace negotiator Monica McWilliams to comment, by the EU parliament website, by OmVärlden magazine and by Swedish Radio's Studio Ett.

> Media coverage of Kvinna till Kvinna 2012: 327 of which opinion pieces: 14



The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's report Equal Power – Lasting Peace resulted in a number of articles, including one in the December issue of the Swedish magazine OmVärlden.



### Increased presence in social media

Social media continued to be an important possibility to reach out to politicians, journalists and the general public in 2012. The congratulations to Loreen for winning the Eurovision Song Contest received the biggest attention on Facebook with 370 "likes". The purpose with the post on Facebook was to thank Loreen for taking the opportunity to raise the issue of women's rights in Azerbaijan.

Another popular post on Facebook was about Kvinna till Kvinna's staff running Tjejmilen in Sweden for women in war. It got 338 "likes".





Visit the new homepage www.kvinnatillkvinna.se

### New website

In early December, Kvinna till Kvinna launched its new website. The aim is to provide more effective digital communication and to simplify the online work within the organisation. Easier structures, a clear design and streamlined content make it easier for visitors to find the information they are looking for.

Erik Hedin and the web agency Vinnovera designed the new site pro bono.

### Missing the target in Afghanistan

Despite pledges to protect and strengthen women's rights in Afghanistan, the situation has rather taken a turn for the worse, the report Missing the Target shows.

The report, compiled by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation, the Swedish Afghanistan Committee and Operation 1325, monitors Swedish initiatives in Afghanistan from a women's perspective. It includes recommendations for measures to achieve the targets set by the government. Missing the Target was launched at a conference arranged by the three organisations in Stockholm in November.

### Chaos at home

Mahbouba Seraj, chairman of the Afghan Women's Network, was one of the participants at the conference. She returned to Afghanistan in 2003 after having lived abroad for 26 years. Seeing Kabul again was a traumatic experience for her; she came to a city ravaged by war, where women's rights had regressed significantly.

### Demands on the minister

To rekindle the debate on the issue, Kvinna till Kvinna, the Swedish Afghanistan Committee and Operation 1325 wrote an op-ed in the Swedish newspaper Expressen, where the Swedish Minister for Development Cooperation, Gunilla Carlsson, was asked to make development assistance to Afghanistan conditional. Her answer was that Missing the Target was "a very important contribution to the Swedish engagement in Afghanistan".

During the year Kvinna till Kvinna conducted a preliminary study on the possibilities of activities in Afghanistan.



Women's rights campaigners Mahbouba Seraj and Jamila Omar from Afghanistan attended the launch of the report Missing the Target.



During the year, a powerful documentary was produced. The movie documents women's rights activists in Iraq, Liberia and South Caucasus and will be launched in 2013 as a part of the project Women and Conflict Resolution. An anthology on the same topic and a publication called Peace Journalism were also produced.



Professor Monica McWilliams from Northern Ireland took part in Kvinna till Kvinna 's conference in Brussels.



Obstacles for women's participation in peace processes was the main topic when The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation presented the report Equal Power – Lasting Peace at a conference in the European Parliament in Brussels in October.

# **Project of the year: Equal Power**

>>>> I recognize myself in every page of the report Equal Power – Lasting Peace.

Professor Monica McWilliams, peace negotiator, Northern Ireland. Slander, threats and corruption prevent women in conflict regions from taking part in peace processes on equal footing with men. These harsh truths were made visible in The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's report Equal Power – Lasting Peace.

Equal Power – Lasting Peace is based on interviews with 79 activists in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iraq, DR Congo and Liberia. The countries and the conflicts may differ, but the patterns show striking similarities. In all the regions, women and women's organisations play a vital role in solving conflicts at a local level and in managing everyday life. But when it comes to formal decisions on peace and reconstruction, then the doors are firmly shut. This contravenes UN Security Council Resolution 1325, which demands women's equal participation and full involvement in peace processes in order to achieve lasting peace.

"Peace processes that shut out half of the population will always be flawed. It is not only about ignoring the needs and experiences of women, but also that peace risks to be unstable and relapse into violence



## - Lasting Peace

again," explains Lena Ag, Secretary General of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation.

### **Conference in Brussels**

The report was presented at a large conference in the European Parliament in October. One of the speakers was Professor Monica McWilliams, an experienced peace negotiator from Northern Ireland. Around 120 delegates, including EU and NATO officials, politicians and activists for peace and women's rights, received the report and debated equal participation in peace efforts.

### Geneva and Istanbul

The project Women and Conflict Resolution consisted of many different parts. In April, Kvinna till Kvinna arranged a roundtable discussion in Geneva. Participants included experienced peace negotiators, mediators, experts in women, peace and security questions and women from civil society organisations. Kvinna till Kvinna also arranged two seminars at the Association for Women's Rights in Development in Istanbul in April.

Four courses were also held in Abkhazia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt and Georgia.

### **Online trilingual campaign**

Three new websites about women's equal participation in peace processes was launched, in Arabic, English and Russian. They provide information and news. An animated film was also produced: No Women – No Lasting Peace.

Visit www.equalpowerlastingpeace.org



The project Women and Conflict Resolution was carried out by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation with financial support of the EU-Commission.

### **INSPIRING MEETINGS**

Exchanges between different conflict regions inspire Kvinna till Kvinna's partner organisations. Several exchanges took place within the framework of the project Women and Conflict Resolution.



IRAQ In June, activists from Bosnia and Herzegovina visited women's organisations in Erbil in the Kurdistan region of Iraq. They focused on violence against women in post-conflict regions. One conclusion reached was the importance of women ignoring their differences during a conflict and to cooperate.



SOUTH CAUCASUS Young activists from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Lebanon visited women's organisations in South Caucasus in October. Pictured are Aynur Mammadova and Dragana Petric. In the middle: Pervin Mamedova.

**99** The fact that all these women share the same struggle and the same challenges convinces me that I'm on the right track and it gives me strength to carry on.

Minja Damjanovic, activist from Bosnia and Herzegovina, took part in an exchange with South Caucasus.





LIBERIA Activists from Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan visited Liberia in February to share experiences with Liberian activists. The meeting led to several project plans which were developed further when the activists returned home.



A debate in Almedalen between Marwa Sharafeldin, Egyptian activist and researcher, Hana Al-Khamri, journalist from Yemen, Gunilla Carlsson, the Swedish Minister for Development Cooperation, and Fredrik Uggla from the Swedish Embassy in Cairo. Annika Flensburg, press secretary at The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation (far left), was the moderator.

### Peace activists in Almedalen

The energy The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation put into Almedalen Political Week was well worth the effort. The seminars attracted many visitors and the 'Love Bomb' campaign was very popular.

To highlight the issue of women's security, Kvinna till Kvinna invited Liberian women's rights activists and expert on international law, Lois Bruthus, who is Liberia's ambassador to South Africa. She took part in a seminar about peace work in Liberia and in one on how to stop the exemption from punishment for sexual violence in conflicts.

### "Laws are not enough"

Lois Bruthus said that laws and a functioning legal system are important in ending sexual violence in war, partly because they serve as deterrent. But laws are not everything. The Liberia conflict has taught her that a variety of measures are needed.

"The second most important thing is education, because violence against women is a taboo. Violence has always existed, but it is shrouded in silence," said Lois Bruthus.

Women's problems in the Arab countries were raised at the Security Policy Forum in Almedalen. Kvinna till Kvinna, the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) and Amnesty International co-arranged a seminar, The Arab Spring – a backlash for women?

Kvinna till Kvinna also arranged a seminar with the Swedish Armed Forces: Men as Warriors, Women as Victims – what is human security? vinna till Kvinna stärker kvinnor i krig



Lois Bruthus played a vital role in the peace process during the Liberian civil war. She took part in several seminars arranged by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation in Almedalen.



Moa Richter, trainee at Kvinna till Kvinna, designed the Love bomb! campaign.

## Success for love letters

By using a 'love bomb' Almedalen visitors could send their love to women's rights activists in conflict regions.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's marquee attracted many visitors to stop by and send a love letter through the campaign Love bomb! The 'love bomb' consists of a letter and a photo in a love frame.

"In places like Egypt, women's

activists work tirelessly. It's important for them to feel that they are part of a larger context. With the campaign we try to support them in a light-hearted way," explains Christina Hagner, communications manager at Kvinna till Kvinna.



The campaign was covered in the newspaper Expressen.

#### A campaign that grows

The Love bomb! campaign continued after Almedalen. It was used during the Human Rights Days in Gothenburg, where Kvinna till Kvinna also arranged the seminar Where are the chicks? in which the report Equal Power – Lasting Peace, on obstacles for women's participation in peace negotiations, was presented.

The Love bomb! campaign was also used at the end of the year to support activists in Palestine and Israel.



Pelagie Ebeka Mujangi from DR Congo discussed obstacles for women's participation in peace processes at an International Training Programme in Colombia.

### Resolution 1325 in depth

International trainings on UN Resolution 1325 were arranged in Sweden and Colombia in 2012.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation arranged the trainings in cooperation with Indevelop, a consultancy firm with experience of development work. Together, Kvinna till Kvinna and Indevelop had been commissioned by Sida, the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, to create an International Training Programme (ITP) on UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security.

The ITP consists of two programs: The MENA program (Middle East and North Africa) and the Global program.

In October, the MENA program was held in Sweden. Participants came from

civil society, public bodies and the media in Iraq, Palestine, Lebanon, Yemen and Libya.

One of the attendees was Parween Ameen from Iraq, active in the Baghdad Women's Association. For her it felt important to attend and learn about Resolution 1325.

"In addition to a bigger social network and new knowledge of effective work methods, the training has given me a deeper insight into the causes of conflict behaviour, new perspectives on the meaning of gender equality and a deeper understanding of the importance of women's political participation."

The Global ITP was held in Colombia. Participants came from Liberia, DRC, South Sudan, Georgia and Colombia



BLOG ABOUT TRAINEE PROGRAM Two student nurses, Cecilia Ericsson and Marlene Ögren, interned at The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's partner organisation Avangard in Gali, Abkhazia. During their time in Gali they blogged about their experiences on Kvinna till Kvinna's blog. The picture shows a young pregnant woman getting advice from gynaecologist Dr Anetta Caava at Avangard. The blogs can be read at vipa.kvinnatillkvinna.se (under Abkhazia). Photo: Cecilia Ericsson and Marlene Ögren/The Red Cross College

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#### Supervised account

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has a 90 account; a postal/bank account number beginning with 90. This guarantees the seriousness of the fundraising conducted. The Swedish Foundation for Fundraising Control (SFI) checks that all 90 account holders use their funds for the purposes specified. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation is a member of the Swedish Fundraising Council (FRII). FRII's task is to ensure fundraising activities in Sweden are carried out in an ethical and professional way.



The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation sells gift cards on its website. The Swedish illustrator Nina Hemmingsson designed these two.



2012's Christmas campaign raised SEK 176,000, a 30 per cent upsurge from 2011.



### DUBBELPEPP

Som mar blogginläggen är till för att peppa dig när du behöver det som mest. Samtidigt som du bidrar till att utsatta kvinnor i världen får det bättre. Varje inlägg kostar nämligen 10 kr att läsa – pengar som går direkt till organisationen Kvinna till Kvinna.



The Dubbelpepp blog campaign was supported by well-known Swedish bloggers like Kakan Hermansson and Elsa Billgren. The campaign began in December and had raised SEK 31,000 by the end of the year.

## Lively campaign work

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's fundraising set a new record in 2012. The largest donation was SEK 7 million from the Swedish Postcode Lottery.

The fundraising in 2012 reached a record high with SEK 8.6 million. The largest donation was SEK 7 million from the Swedish Postcode Lottery, but donations from The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation Friends, who donate via standing order, also rose. The years' Christmas campaign was also a success, as well as the Dubbelpepp blog campaign.

### Friends that count

In 2012, the number of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation Friends rose significantly, as did their donations, partly thanks to a call campaign during autumn. Having many regular donors is extremely important as it gives Kvinna till Kvinna a financial base, thus making it easier to plan activities.

### New gift cards

Kvinna till Kvinna introduced new gift cards during the year that can be used to congratulate, honour or pay your respects to somebody with a donation to Kvinna till Kvinna. The cards can be ordered from the website. Illustrator Nina Hemmingsson supported Kvinna till Kvinna by donating two pictures.

"Supporting Kvinna till Kvinna is a great honour for me," she says.

### International Women's Day

On March 8, the International Women's Day, Kvinna till Kvinna's volunteers and staff were out in the streets with collection boxes, a tradition that has been going on for three years.

### Mother to Mother campaign

A Mother to Mother campaign was launched to celebrate Mother's Day. People could donate SEK 50 by texting a Mother's Day greeting and also order a gift certificate to give away. The campaign will continue in 2013.

### Christmas campaign

2012's Christmas campaign was very popular. Three Christmas gifts with the themes peace, meeting places and power over the body were available. The gift was wrapped in a small box with a Christmas rhyme on the lid. The campaign raised SEK 176,000, an increase of 30 per cent from 2011. More than 150 gifts were ordered. The box with the rhyme "Peace on Earth" sold best.

Christmas gifts from companies and organisations totalled nearly SEK 30,000.

### Blog campaign Dubbelpepp

Together with the Garbergs advertising agency and the B-reel production bureau, Kvinna till Kvinna launched a blog campaign in December with the name Dubbelpepp. Four



Nina Hemmingsson designed cards to Kvinna till Kvinna.

well-known bloggers wrote a thematic blog each as a pep talk for young women. Followers could support women around the world by donating SEK 10 via a text message to read the blog. The campaign was a success with several well-known and unknown bloggers joining in. A total of 22 blogs appeared on the campaign's page, raising over SEK 30,000.

### Other funding sources

Kvinna till Kvinna works actively to broaden its financial base. During the year generous grants were received from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, FLOW, Hivos, the Swedish Radio appeal, the Swedish Institute, the Folke Bernadotte Academy, the European Commission and Forum Svd.



### A GIFT WILL BUY THIS MUCH

### **SEK 150**

A radio program about domestic violence in Liberia.

### **SEK 500**

15 young women in Serbia can attend a series of workshops on women's rights, gender and equal rights.

### **SEK 850**

Pays the legal aid and court fees for a woman who has filed a complaint which has been taken up in the Shari'a court in Gaza.



Percentage of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's total revenues that go directly to activities/purposes, in accordance with the Swedish Foundation for Fundraising Control's criteria (SFI).

### Fact sheets online

Fact sheets about Kvinna till Kvinna's work are now available for download on Kvinna till Kvinna's website. Examples of topics: Women's security is ignored and Sexual violence as a weapon of war.

#### **Practical brochure**

A summary of Kvinna till Kvinna in a handy brochure format is available in Swedish and English.



#### Another four years of security

The Dutch government has granted financial support to Kvinna till Kvinna's work for security for another four years. The Women's Organisations for Leadership and Fundamental Rights (WOLF) initiative focuses on women's participation and the security of women's rights activists. The countries and regions involved are South Caucasus, Israel, Palestine, DR Congo, the Western Balkans and Liberia.

### Manifestation for DR Congo

On the third Sunday of Advent. Kvinna till Kvinna, Diakonia and PMU arranged a concert in Norrmalm Church, Stockholm, to show solidarity with the people in the war-ravaged DR Congo. Musicians were Anna Eklund-Tarantino and Zifa. Kvinna till Kvinna's Secretary General Lena Ag and Margot Wallström, former UN Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflicts, were among those holding a speech. The concert was followed by a signature collection for a petition to urge the Swedish Government to act and help put an end to the war in DR Congo.



Mikael "Zifa" Eriksson and musicians at the manifestation for DR Congo. Photo: Anders Kronborg, Kronborg Bild

## Invaluable volunteer efforts

To be a voluntary outreach officer for The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation is becoming more and more popular. In 2012 a compulsory training was introduced. "This is important as it helps our volunteers to feel secure in their role," explains their coordinator, Dona Hariri.

The voluntary outreach officers meet once a month at Kvinna till Kvinna's head office in Stockholm. During 2012, an average of 18 volunteers showed up at each meeting, a clear increase from previous years. There are 50 volunteers in the Stockholm region. When Dona Hariri started as a coordinator for the voluntary group in 2011, the meetings were attended by an average of five people.

"The outreach volunteers are an integral part of our activities. They hold lectures about us, show the film Women's War, staff bookstalls and play an active part in our fundraising," she says.

"There is also a small volunteer group in the Skåne province in the very south of Sweden."

### Training for all

In 2012, education for the outreach volunteers became compulsory.

"They have to feel secure in the material they present. We offer one training session a year and one training evening every six months. The demand for outreach work increases and the voluntary group in Skåne was invited to several events during 2012, where they made an invaluable contribution. We get enquiries from all over the country to participate in events, so it's good to know that we've taken the first step to starting an outreach group in Gothenburg as well," continues Dona Hariri.

A Facebook group for outreach volunteers has also been launched during the year to facilitate communication.

### Help at the office

Kvinna till Kvinna also has a voluntary group that meets about six times a year at the head office. They help with posting newsletters and fundraising letters. In 2012, the group consisted of about ten people and their work was greatly appreciated.

> Cilla Månsson and Liberta Mehmedi are part of the voluntary outreach group. During 2012 they staffed an information stall in the Workers' Educational Association building in Stockholm.





Sofie Canderyd, one of the 2012's trainees.

### Record number of trainees

The number of trainees at Kvinna till Kvinna's head office in Stockholm was larger than ever in 2012. Eight people in all joined in, mostly for six months. One of them was Sofie Canderyd:

"It was a very exciting and fun time with lots of new impressions. I now have an insight into how such an organisation works and I tried a variety of tasks."

#### Cooperation with researchers and institutes

In 2012, Kvinna till Kvinna further developed the cooperation with researchers and institutes, such as SIPRI. In order to come up with a cooperation strategy for researchers and civil society actors, Kvinna till Kvinna and the Folke Bernadotte Academy arranged a roundtable discussion in November. The purpose of the meeting was to bring the two separate worlds together, share knowledge and create a joint platform.

"We are now being invited to research seminars because of our knowledge. We are regarded as dialogue partners and are able to bring a gender perspective to the table in research proposals and studies. Tying our perspective to research findings strengthens us and we become trustworthy as experts," explains Lovisa Strand, research project manager at Kvinna till Kvinna.



Part of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's Board. Top from left: Lennart Lindgren, Sara Olsson, Viola Furubjelke, Maria Appelblom, Jesper Hansén. Seated from left: Clara Mannheimer, Birgit Hansson and Marianne Laxén.

### **Birgit Hansson, president:**

**97** I've been president of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's board for the past two years and I feel immensely proud of this assignment. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation does crucial work for women's rights and for women's representation in peace negotiations. During the year I saw evidence of this at The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's conference Equal Power – Lasting Peace at the European Parliament, and also while visiting the women's organisations that we support.

At the turn of the year I visited Montenegro where I took part in a women's leadership training initiative. Our engagement in the Balkans goes back 20 years, and the leading figures from that time will need to welcome a new generation of women.

Current and future leaders met during the seminar and everybody can understand the many challenges of a leadership replacement. I was warmly received and could contribute with some input.

It is a great honour to be the president of a foundation that works so broadly based with women's peace work, as women's bodies and peace are so obviously closely linked. To own one's body and oneself is fundamental for democracy and freedom – for women as well as for men.

### REGULAR MEMBERS

Birgit Hansson, President Mari Mörth, Vice President Lennart Lindgren, Secretary Viola Furubjelke Marianne Laxén Clara Mannheimer Sara Olsson

### **Deputy members:** Petra Tötterman Andorff

Maria Appelblom Jesper Hansén Lars Jalmert

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### **Administrative report**

### **Operating Statement**

### Operations

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation shall operate unbiased towards religious, political, national or ethnic affiliations. This also concerns The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's partner organisations. The purpose of the foundation is:

- to implement projects in war and conflict regions that promote women's self-reliance and self-esteem, women's psychosocial and/or physical health, and which contributes to promoting women's participation in creating a democratic civil society.
- to promote study and research into the effects of war and armed conflict on women.
- to publish facts on the effects of war and create opinion in support of the peaceful resolution of conflicts by civilian means.

### Vision

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has a vision of a world of sustainable and just peace, built around gender equality, human rights and democracy. The aim of the foundation is conflict resolution through civil, non-military means, where women have power over decisions and are actors in all spheres of society and social progress so that peace is shaped to the benefit of all people. In a peaceful and just society, women live free from threats, fear and exploitation, their human rights are respected and they enjoy the same social, economic and political opportunities as men.

### Goals

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation supports women in war and conflicts with the aim of increasing their power and influence. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation maintains that sustainable solutions to armed conflicts can only emanate from the needs, knowledge and experiences of civil society. Therefore, the civilian population should have the power to decide over their own future. Women make up a large part of civil society in regions affected by war and conflict. For this reason The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation cooperates with women's organisations that operate in different phases of armed conflicts.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation works with a longterm strategy and have staff employed in conflict regions who work in harness with the partners organisations.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation informs and creates opinion through its outreach work, the overall aim of which is to contribute to improving awareness in Sweden and internationally on the effects of war on women and the importance of women's participation for democratic progress. The outreach work is mainly built upon information from staff and partners organisations in conflict regions. This provides up-to-date and credible information.

Our main objective in promoting studies and research is to improve awareness of how war and armed conflict impact women's conditions and roles in society and the significance of women's participation in peace processes.

To achieve this objective The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation will develop the organisation's expert role by supplementing the knowledge and experience that already exists, within the organisation and in the partner organisations, with relevant research findings.

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation will collaborate with researchers and research institutes with the purpose of highlighting research gaps and improving gender awareness.

The knowledge of our partner organisations is a vital source of information and The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation will find methods of compiling, archiving and sharing this knowledge. The aim is to make their knowledge available as source material, to the partner organisations themselves, to The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation and to researchers.

### The Board

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation was founded by the Swedish section of The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (IKFF). The Board is elected every fourth year by IKFF (6 members) and The Swedish Peace and Arbitration Association (1 member). The current board was appointed on May 1, 2011.

### Management and control

The Kvinna Kvinna Foundation Board of Directors comprises of seven regular members and four deputy members. Lars Jalmert was elected deputy on 20 June. Petra Tötterman Andorff lived abroad the whole year.

Seven board meetings have been held during the year. An eighth meeting had to be cancelled due to a heavy snowstorm so some decisions were made by correspondence, as laid down in the Rules of Procedure.

	IN ATTENDANCE
Birgit Hansson, President	6
Mari Mörth, Vice President	5
Viola Furubjelke	6
Marianne Laxén	7
Lennart Lindgren	6
Clara Mannheimer	4
Sara Olsson	7
Petra Tötterman Andorff, deputy	0
Maria Appelblom, deputy	6
Jesper Hansén, deputy	
Lars Jalmert, deputy	

The Board works from Rules of Procedure and a Calendar that is evaluated on an annual basis. The aim of the Rules of Procedure is to provide routines for the Board's work, to stipulate the division of work tasks and areas of responsibility between Board members, and to clarify the dividing line between the responsibilities of the Board and the Secretariat. The Rules of Procedure stipulate the organisation's longterm strategies, guidelines and evaluations, and determine management and control systems, and systems for fund management and administration.

The Rules of Procedure also stipulate that the organisation has a divided leadership system where the Secretary General and the Managing Director run the organisation together on behalf of the Board. During the year the Secretary General and the Managing Director have been co-opted members of the Board.

During the year the Board also changed the management structure. From 1 January 2013 the organisation will be led by a Secretary General. A staff representative, with a deputy, is co-opted to the Board.

The Board has employer liability for the Secretary General and the Managing Director with the power to appoint and dismiss both. The Rules of Procedure also regulate bookkeeping and budget decisions. The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's auditors must attend at least one board meeting a year. This has also taken place during 2012.

The Calendar contains the main issues to be handled at each meeting during the financial year. The Board appoints a council to assist them in various ways.

### Organisation

Kvinna till Kvinna was initially formed as a network of women's organisations in 1993. Kvinna till Kvinna became The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation in 1995. The task of The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation is to provide its partner organisations with financial and development support.

A total of 68 people were employed during 2012, which, when taking into account leave of absences, deputies and short-term assignments, amounted to 62 full-time posts, 26 of these posts were at the regional offices in the Middle East, South Caucasus, the Western Balkans, Liberia and DR Congo, with the remaining 36 at the head office in Stockholm with the task of coordinating support in war and conflict regions, outreach and fundraising, management and methodology development, human resources and finances.

In addition, a further 15 people were employed locally at our regional offices on different terms.

### Widespread support from women's and peace movements

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation is supported by a large number of Swedish organisations. Our support organisations (below) inform their members of our activities.

The 1.6 million club

Centre Party Women

The Swedish Pharmaceutical Association

Feminist Initiative

The Fredrika Bremer Association

The Swedish Cooperative Body of the Organisations of the Disabled (HCK)

Riksförbundet Hem och Samhälle (home and community society)

The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)

The Christian Democratic Party Women's Association The Christian Peace Movement Women Waging Peace Church of Sweden Women Liberal Party Women's Association The Swedish Trade Union Confederation (LO) The Swedish Green Party The Moderate Party Women The Swedish Branch of the International League of Immigrant Women The National Organisation for Women's Shelters and Young Women's Shelters Save the Children Social Democratic Party Women Socialist Party Women The Soroptimist Club The Swedish United Nations Association The Swedish Peace and Arbitration Association Left Party Women Swedish UNIFEM The Swedish Ecumenical Women's Council The Swedish Confederation of Professional Employees (TCO) **Bang Magazine** The Workers' Society for Fellowship and Solidarity (Verdandi) The Left Party women's political committee

### **Significant events**

Outcome and financial position

FUNDRAISING AND DONATIONS

In 2010 The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation became one of the beneficiaries of the Swedish Postcode Lottery and in 2012 we received SEK 7 million from the lottery.

A total of SEK 8.6 million was raised in 2012, of these, plus previously raised funds, we used SEK 8.4 million in 2012. 40 per cent went to partner organisations and field activities, 30 per cent to outreach activities and 10 per cent to build up our research work.



### Proportion from non-Sida sources

In 2012 we allocated support to 132 women's organisations in DR Congo, Liberia, the Middle East, South Caucasus and the Western Balkans.
### ALLOCATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

During the year work continued to broaden the funding base in an effort to reduce the dependency on funding from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida). Despite this, the proportion fell somewhat, which was mainly due to new Sida allocations for Iraq and Liberia. It was difficult to match the large increase in Sida allocations in one year, but the broadening continues and the proportion of Sida funding has reduced somewhat during 2012.

### Spheres of activity

### ACTIVITIES IN CONFLICT REGIONS

At year end 2012 The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation had staff in ten offices in different conflict regions; Western Balkans: Sarajevo, Pristina, Belgrade and Tirana; Middle East: Erbil, Jerusalem and Amman; South Caucasus: Tbilisi, and on the African continent: Liberia and Bukavo, Monrovia and DR Congo. In addition, we had one member of staff focusing on Macedonia and one on Egypt, but without local offices.

The offices in Amman, Belgrade, Pristina, Sarajevo and Tbilisi are locally registered with the obligation to report and pay local taxes. Other offices are locally registered in compliance with the current regulations for non-governmental organisations.

Our planned establishment in Cairo has been postponed again due to the continued lack in 2012 of a legal framework for local registration.

### OUTREACH

During the year a great deal of focus was put on a large EU-financed project for women and conflict resolution, the overall goal of which is to promote the participation of women in peace processes by analysing obstacles for participation. The report Equal Power – Lasting Peace was presented at a summit meeting in the European Parliament. There are now websites under the same name in Arabian, Russian and English.

At year end, the report Missing the Target was launched. The report was compiled in collaboration with the Swedish Afghanistan Committee and Operation 1325 and is the largest study of Swedish initiatives in Afghanistan within the framework of UN Resolution 1325.

### Miscellaneous

### VOLUNTARY WORK

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's voluntary workers are partly made up of voluntary outreach officers and partly of an office group who meet regularly at the Stockholm head office. In 2012 there were around 50 voluntary outreach officers and ten office volunteers.

The voluntary outreach officers are of great importance to The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation in ensuring that we are visible at public events. They hold lectures, show films, arrange book stalls and go round with collection boxes. The office group is also a great help as they pack all the newsletters and fundraising leaflets that are distributed.

As the demand for outreach from The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has increased, compulsory training was introduced for voluntary outreach officers during the year.

### QUALITY ASSURANCE

Since 2009 The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has issued a separate code report in compliance with the Quality Code guidelines adopted by the affiliated members of the Swedish Fundraising Council (FRII). The purpose of the report is to improve transparency and to underpin management and control within the organisations. The Quality Code is an expression of all that is good practice within the FRII's affiliated organisations. The 2012 Quality Code Report shows that The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation complies with all applicable guidelines.

### PREMISES

During the year The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation took the opportunity to expand at Slakthusplan and increase the leased office space by roughly 30 per cent. The extra workspace has not only improved the work environment but has also enabled the start of the planned trainee programme, which offers trainee positions to 5-6 students a term.

### **Goals fulfilment**

The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation's activities have been carried out in compliance with the organisation's statutes with regard to support to women's organisations in waraffected regions and public outreach.

Since mid 1993, The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has allocated support to the tune of SEK 769.1 million, of which SEK 95.9 million was allocated in 2012.

For a detailed financial review of our operations please see the income and expenses statement, balance sheet, cash flow statement and notes.

# Income and expenses

-		2	012	20	011
	NOT	SEK k	EUR k	SEK k	EUR k
Main revenue; government grants, donations and public fundraising	1	120,154	13,977	84,329	9,464
Distributed funds for projects	2	-95,932	-11,159	-75,383	-8,460
Public fundraising expenses	3	-1,135	-132	-1,220	-137
Administrative costs	4	-10,427	-1,213	-8,512	-955
Operating result		12,660	1,473	-786	-88
Interest income from current assets	6	27	3	162	18
Financial expenses-125		-15	-70	-8	
Result for the year before funds for projects carried forward		12,562	1,461	-694	-78
Used funds for project purpose balanced last year	9	12,458	1,449	13,013	1,461
Funds for project purpose to balance this year	9	-24,991	-2,907	-12,754	-1,432
Increasing equity		29	3	-435	-49

Budget and	outcome	2012
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Budget

Outcome

SEK K			FUR k
JEN K	EUR K	JEN K	EUK K
116,407	13,541	120,154	13,977
-102,977	-11,979	-95,932	-11,159
-1,400	-163	-1,135	-132
-12,030	-1,399	-10,427	-1,213
0	0	12,660	1,473
		27	3
		-125	-15
		12,562	1,461
		12,458	1,449
		-24,991	-2,907
		29	3
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### **Balance Sheet**

		31/12	2012	31/12	2 2011
	NOT	SEK k	EUR k	SEK k	EUR k
Fixed assets					
Assets					
Fixed assets	7	715	83	363	41
Current assets					
Accounts receivable		1,088	127	31	4
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	8	4,427	515	2,582	290
Cash and bank balances		31,747	3,693	22,442	2,519
Total assets		37,977	4,418	25,418	2,854
Liabilities, funds for projects and equity Equity	9				
Equity		496	58	951	107
Funds for projects		25,181	2,929	13,232	1,484
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable – trade		2,820	328	1,628	183
Liabilities to Sida and other governmental authorities		159	18	412	47
Other liabilities		808	94	548	62
Accrued expenses and deferred income	11	8,514	990	8,647	971
Total liabilities, funds for projects and equity		37,977	4,418	25,418	2,854

# Distribution of means in the regions



## **Cash Flow Statement**

	20	2012		2011	
	SEK k	EUR k	SEK k	EUR k	
Operating Activities					
Profit/loss after financial items	12,562	1,461	-695	-81	
Adjustments for non-cash items	266	31	156	18	
Cash flow from operating activities before working capital changes	12,828	1,492	-53	-63	
Cash flow from working capital changes					
Increase in receivables	-1,057	-123	-16	-2	
Increase in other receivables	-1,845	-215	1,256	146	
Increase in accounts payable	1,192	138	1,046	122	
Decrease in short-term debt	-432	-50	-14,148	-1,646	
Cash flow from operating activities	10,686	1,242	-11,862	-1,380	
Investing activities					
Purchase of property, equipment	-618	-72	-236	-27	
Cash flow from investing activities	-618	-72	-236	-27	
Financing activities					
Repayment of debt	-278	-32	-1,520	-177	
Used raised funds	-485	-56	0	0	
Cash flow from financing activities	-763	-88	-1,520	-177	
Cash flow for the year	9,305	1,082	-14,157	-1,647	
Cash at the beginning of the year	-22,442	-2,611	36,599	4,257	
Cash at the end of the year	31,747	3,693	22,442	2,611	
Exchange rates:					
2012 SEK/EUR 8.59660					
2011 SEK/EUR 8.91015					

# Notes

### Accounting and evaluation policies

The accounting and evaluation principles employed by The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation comply with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act and the recommendations and stipulations of the Swedish Accounting Standards Board for non-profit associations and the Swedish Fundraising Council standards for Annual Reports.

The annual accounts also submit the information required by the SFI, the Swedish institute for the monitoring of fundraising activities. The principles applied are unchanged from the previous year.

Income is reported at the actual value of income received or receivable. All grants from Sida and similar authorities are reported in accordance with BFN R5 concerning government grants. That is to say, they are entered as income only in cases where there is a high probability that the funds will not be recalled, in other words, that The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation has incurred costs for the purpose specified. Income is taken up in accordance with a plan approved by Sida for the use of grants in each field.

Contributions other than those intended for a specific purpose, such as administrative grants, are not accounted for under administration costs but as income under other grants and are specially reported in a note. Income is taken up in accordance with a plan approved by Sida/other donor for the use of grants in each field.

Contributions in cash from mainly private individuals are recorded on a cash basis. Also contributions from companies and organisations are recorded on the date the payment was received. Donations from fundraising activities in companies are recorded in the period when the activity took place. Contributions from the Postcode Lottery are recorded under the period they were pledged.

### Specified expenditure

Specified expenditure includes such costs that have a direct association with the fulfilment of the organisation's objectives and statutes, namely:

- support to projects promoting women's self-confidence and self-esteem, women's psychosocial and/or physical health or which in any other way contribute to the promotion of women's participation in the reconstruction of a democratic civilian society.
- to publish facts and on the effects of war and create opinion in support of women's participation in peace processes.
- to promote study and research into the effects of war and armed conflict on women.

### Receivables

Receivables are reported in the amounts calculated on the basis of individual assessment.

Receivables in foreign currencies in Swedish banks are valued at the rate on demand on the closing day. Receivables in foreign currencies, ready money as well as cash in banks in our different field offices, are valued at the last current transfer rate of exchange. These various currencies are used in the field and are not intended to be returned to Sweden. Certain equipment purchases are recorded as operational costs. This is done when an annual budget is approved for the purchase or when the equipment, due to the risk of theft when used in the field, is equal to a short-term asset. Equipment purchases totalling SEK 608 thousand are recorded as operational costs.

Other non-current assets are valued at the acquisition value with deductions for accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is at 20 per cent per annum. Depreciation and writedowns are reported in the note for the balance sheet item.

All amounts are in SEK thousand.

### Note 1. Revenues

All	l amounts are i	in SEK k.
	2012	2011
Revenues are distributed as follows:		
Raised funds, donations	1,586	1,326
Contributions from Postcode Lottery	7,000	0
Lectures etc.	25	48
External contributions	108,678	82,126
Miscellaneous	2,865	829
TOTAL	120,154	84,329
Raised funds, contributions and donations are distributed as follows:		
Of the total amount:	2012	2011
Raised through 90 account	1,586	1,326
Postcode Lottery; 90 account 2012	7,000	
TOTAL	8,586	1,326
External revenues are distributed as follows:		
Sida grants for projects and activities		
The Western Balkans	22,489	19,371
South Caucasus	6,082	5,861
Middle East, Jerusalem	8,331	6,690
Middle East, Amman	13,174	8,982
Middle East Iraq	8,977	5,221
DR Congo, Liberia	11,021	7,822
ICT4D	140	0
Sida administration grant	6,035	6,453
Subtotal	76,248	60,400
Other grants for projects and activities	:	
Norwegian Foreign Office	9,405	4,652
MDG3 Fund	52	3,318
FLOW	5,469	
Hivos	213	1,135
Swedish Radio Appeal	1,198	611
Swedish Institute	293	37
Folke Bernadotte Academy	1,865	1,588
The European Commission	5,495	8,562
Forum Syd	1,457	1,823
Postcode Foundation	6,983	0
Subtotal	32,431	21,726
TOTAL	108,679	82,126

### Note 2. Specified expenditure

Used in projects		2012	2011
Bosnia and Herzegovina         4,081         5,369           Kosovo         4,880         5,029           Macedonia         611         501           Montenegro         604         700           Serbia         4,499         6,478           Georgia         6,149         6,328           Armenia         3,515         2,568           Azerbaijan         3,377         2,330           Israel/Palestine:         8,676         6,580           Jordan         3,735         3,558           Lebanon         3,661         3,392           Egypt         2,429         1,452           Iraq         5,385         3,440           DR Congo         3,055         1,656           Liberia         6,861         4,135           Networking and evaluation, study visits         11,653         8,253           Other studies, information & outreach         5,019         4,538           ITP 1325         1,385         389           Women and Conflict Resolution         9,049         2,174           Special HR work         2,908         2,478           Research         650         245           TOTAL         95,	Used in projects		
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	Other administrative expenses	2,337	1,664
TOTAL 10,427 8,512	Depreciation	265	156
	TOTAL	10,427	8,512

# Note 5. Salaries and payroll overheads, salaries distributed per country and average number of employees

	2012	2011
Salaries, Secretary General &	1,286	1,215
Managing Director		
Salaries, other employees	21,116	17,018
Payroll overheads	9,393	7,162
(of which pension costs)	(1,840)	(1,379)
Payroll expenses paid at field offices	456	264
Locally employed non-Swedish staff	1,418	907

Of the pension costs recorded, SEK 358 thousand (2012) and SEK 232 thousand (2011) are for the organisation's Secretary General and Managing Director.

During the year a varying number of people worked voluntarily packing parcels and information. The value of these efforts has not been recorded in the financial statement.

Salaries according to country:	2012	2011
Sweden	13,136	9,134
Albania	608	1,079
Bosnia and Herzegovina	437	850
Kosovo	517	554
Macedonia	198	99
Serbia	541	1,306
South Caucasus	1,187	1,289
DR Congo	643	429
Liberia	1,215	859
Israel/Palestine:	825	758
Jordan/Lebanon/Egypt	1,947	976
Iraq	1,148	900
TOTAL	22,402	18,233
Average number of employees:		
All staff, all women		
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Sweden	<b>2012</b> 36.0	<b>2011</b> 27.0
Sweden Albania		
	36.0	27.0
Albania	36.0 1.5	27.0 2.5
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### Note 6. Interest income

	2012	2011
Interest income	26	25
Current exchange profit	0	135
Dividends	1	2
TOTAL	27	162

### Note 7. Equipment

	2012	2011
Opening acquisition value	929	988
Purchases	618	236
Sales and disposals	-128	-295
Acquisition value carried forward	1,419	929
Opening depreciation	-566	-705
Sales and disposals	128	295
Opening depreciation	-265	-156
Accumulated depreciation carried forward	704	-566
TOTALT	715	363

# Note 8. Prepaid expenses and accrued income

	2012	2011
Prepaid rental expenses		
In Sweden	545	396
At the various fields	400	242
Prepaid insurance	324	389
Other receivables	109	76
Other expenses	115	234
TOTAL	1,492	1,337
Accrued income		
In our favour, Swedish Institute	29	
In our favour, MDG3	0	601
In our favour, EPNK	397	158
In our favour, Alert DRK	994	199
In our favour, ITP 1325	0	191
In our favour, EC	1,237	
In our favour, sales 4th quarter 2011	0	10
In our favour, interest carried over	247	52
In our favour, employees	17	18
Tax claim	13	16
TOTAL	2,934	1,245
TOTAL	4,427	2,582

### Note 9. Equity

	Equity and liabilities	Equity	Total equity
Opening balance	13,232	951	14,183
Reserve	24,992		24,992
Utilised	-12,458	-485	-12,943
Repaid	-278		-278
At our disposal in 2013 previously recognised as liabilities	-307		-307
Revenue/loss for the year	,	29	29
Closing balance	25,181	496	25,677

### Note 10. Prepaid expenses and accrued income

	2012	2011
Accrued payroll overheads	885	628
Vacation pay liability	1,346	1,073
Miscellaneous	283	396
TOTAL	2,514	2,097
Prepaid Sida grant, Georgia 2012	6,000	6,550
TOTAL	6,000	6,550
TOTAL	8,514	8,647

Stockholm 13 March 2013

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# Auditor's report

To the board of directors of The Kvinna till Kvinna foundation, corporate identity number 802401-6134

### Report on the annual accounts

We have audited the annual accounts of The Kvinna till Kvinna foundation for the year 2012. The annual accounts of the foundation are included in the printed version of this document on pages 34-44.

### Responsibilities of the Board of Directors for the annual accounts

The Board of Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these annual accounts in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act, and for such internal control as the Board of Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of annual accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these annual accounts based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual accounts are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the annual accounts. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the annual accounts, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the foundation's preparation and fair presentation of the annual accounts in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the foundation's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Board of Directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the annual accounts.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Opinions

In our opinion, the annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act and present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Kvinna till Kvinna foundation as of December 31, 2012 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act. The statutory administration report is consistent with the other parts of the annual accounts.

### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

In addition to our audit of the annual accounts, we have examined the administration of the Board of Directors of The Kvinna till Kvinna foundation for the year 2012.

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### **Responsibilities of the Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors are responsible for the administration under the Foundation Act and the Charter of Foundation.

### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion with reasonable assurance on the administration based on our audit. We conducted the audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden.

As a basis for our opinion concerning discharge from liability, in addition to our audit of the annual accounts, we examined significant decisions, actions taken and circumstances of the foundation in order to determine whether any member of the Board of Directors is liable to the foundation. We also examined whether any member of the Board of Directors has, in any other way, acted in contravention of the Foundation Act, the Annual Accounts Act or the Charter of Foundation.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Opinions

The Board of Directors members have not committed any act or been guilty of any omission, which, in our opinion, could give rise to any liability to the foundation for the financial year 2012.

Stockholm 2013-04-08

Monika Wannholm Authorized Public Accountant

Pernilla Varveruld Authorized Public Accountant

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The Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation supports women during times of war and conflict to increase women's power and influence.



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