

UK NGOs with consultative status with ECOSOC (UN Economic and Social Council) AND/OR accredited to the Fourth World Conference on Women

Consultative status means that these organisations can send 20 delegates to the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) every year and can also be involved in providing evidence to the UN Committee's, attending UN Committee meetings and attend other relevant international UN conferences.

To be eligible for consultative status, an NGO must have been in existence (officially registered with the appropriate government authorities as an NGO/non-profit) for at least two years, must have an established headquarters, a democratically adopted constitution, authority to speak for its members, a representative structure, appropriate mechanisms of accountability and democratic and transparent decision-making processes. They must also not receive more than 50% of their funding and resources from the government.

NGOs affiliated to an international organisation who already have consultative status may be admitted provided that they can demonstrate that their programme of work is of direct relevance to the aims and purposes of the UN. In the case of national organisations consultation with the Member State concerned is required.

If you know organisations with ECOSOC status that will not be doing work for CSW, it might be good to approach them and ask for them to register women you know are interested in attending.

More information on NGO participation at CSW -
<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/NGO.html>

For information on **how to apply for ECOSOC accreditation**, please visit the DESA NGO Section website at: <http://www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo>

Below are the organisations with current ECOSOC status from the UK:

- Abantu For Development (People For Development)
- ActionAid
- African Society of International and Comparative Law
- Akina Mana Wa Afrika
- Al-Khoei Foundation
- Amnesty International (International Secretariat)
- Black Women Promotions
- British Association of Women Entrepreneurs (BAWE)
- Business And Professional Women UK Limited
- Catholic Institute For International Relations
- Change
- Commonwealth Magistrates And Judges Association
- Commonwealth Medical Association
- HelpAge International

- International Alert
- International Bar Association
- International Council of Jewish Women
- International Federation of Business and Professional Women
- International Planned Parenthood Federation
- International Police Association
- International Psychoanalytical Association
- International Save The Children Alliance
- International Wages For Housework Campaign
- International Women Count Network
- Liberation United Kingdom Medical Mission Sisters (Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries, Generalate, Inc.)
- National Alliance of Women's Organisations (NAWO)
- National Council of Women of Great Britain
- Network of Ecumenical Women in Scotland (Action of Churches Together in Scotland)
- Northern Ireland Women's European Platform (NIWEP)
- Oxfam (United Kingdom and Ireland)
- Rights and Humanity
- Socialist International Women
- Soroptimist International
- Trades Union Congress
- U.K. Asian Women's Conference
- United Nations Environment And Development, United Kingdom Committee - UNED
- Wales Assembly of Women
- Winvisible - Women With Visible and Invisible Disabilities
- WOMANKIND Worldwide
- Women Against Rape (WAR)
- Women In Dialogue
- Women's Environmental Network
- Women's National Commission **CLOSED**
- World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts
- World Organization for Early Childhood Education United Kingdom