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ONLINE WEBINAR

GENDER AS THE FOUNDATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Discuss with us how the existence and non-existence of equal opportunities inflict sustainable development .



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Abstract:

In recent years, the intersection of gender and the environment has gained prominence as a pivotal aspect of sustainability. This presentation delves into the current global scenario regarding the nexus of gender and the environment, examining both the positive and negative narratives. While the Global North demonstrates stronger support for gender-inclusive environmental initiatives, the Global South, exemplified by regions like northern Ghana, is progressively embracing this narrative.

However, challenges persist, such as the marginalization of gender perspectives in decision-making processes and the unequal representation of women, as evidenced by research conducted by the Green Africa Youth Organization (GAYO). Preconceived notions that "females are not capable" further hinder progress, as highlighted by the Zero Waste Accra initiative.

Looking to the future, this presentation underscores the benefits of promoting the gender-environment narrative. By empowering women and recognizing their pivotal role in environmental sustainability, we nurture the next generation of environmental stewards.

At the grassroots level, various organizations are taking proactive steps to champion the gender-environment connection. Underrepresented voices, with a primary focus on women, are being empowered, and projects like green jobs training by the World University Service of Canada (WUSC), the Youth Climate Council, and Water 4 Adaptation are making a significant impact.

In conclusion, this presentation issues a call for support. Gender equality is not just a matter of social justice; it is the bedrock upon which a sustainable environment rests. By collectively promoting gender-inclusive environmental initiatives, we ensure a brighter, more equitable, and sustainable future for all.