

GLOBAL DIRECTORY 2007/8

HUMAN RIGHTS/EQUALITY

Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu and English. Free counselling service to Asian women from Asian counsellors. Weekly Asian women support group (Tue). *Contact: Hetal Mistry, 6 West St, Old Market, Bristol BS2 0BH. Tel: 0117 941 2983 Email: hetal@wellwomen.freeserve.co.uk*

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF BRISTOL Worldwide organisation for women in management and the professions working to advance human rights and the status of women through service projects. *Contact: Dr Susan Greenwood. Tel: 01275 852 005 Email: susan@timbertops215.freeserve.co.uk Web: www.bristolsorop.org.uk*

UN DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR WOMEN raises awareness/funds for projects in developing countries that focus on economic empowerment, education and training, human rights, governance and leadership. *Contact: PO Box 53247, London N3 3YW. Tel: 020 8392 3073 Web: www.unifem.org*

UN INTERAGENCY NETWORK ON WOMEN & GENDER EQUALITY (IANWGE): WOMEN WATCH works to mainstream a gender perspective in peace and security by assessing the implications for women and men of all planned action, including legislation, policies or

programmes in all areas and at all levels. *Contact: 2 United Nations Plaza, 12th Floor, Newy, NY 10017, USA. Email: womenwatch@un.org, ianwge@un.org Web: www.un.org/womenwatch*

UN INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN (UN-INSTRAW) The only UN entity mandated to develop gender-perspective research and training programmes that contribute to the empowerment of women and the achievement of gender equality worldwide. *Contact: Calle Cesar Nicolas Penson 102-A, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Tel: +1 809 685 2111 Fax: +1 809 685 2117 Web: www.un-instraw.org*

WOMANKIND WORLDWIDE works in 11 countries with 26 partners to reduce violence against women and increase women's participation at every level of society (in their homes, communities and countries). All their projects help women to understand their rights and use them to benefit their daily lives. Where new legislation is needed, they work with their partners to secure this, too. They believe the whole of society benefits when women's priorities are reflected in every aspect of life. *Contact: Womankind Worldwide, 2nd Floor, Development House, 56-64 Leonard St, London EC2A 4JX. Tel: 020 7549 0360 Fax: 020 7549 0361 Email: info@womankind.org.uk Web: www.womankind.org.uk Bristol Contact: Tel: 0845 4582914 Email: info@womankindbristol.org*

WOMEN'S AID FEDERATION OF ENGLAND National charity working to end domestic violence against women and children that runs (in partnership with Refuge) a freephone 24hr National Domestic Violence Hotline: 0808 200 0247. *Contact: PO Box 391, Bristol BS9 7WS. Tel: 0117 944 4411 Email: info@womensaid.org.uk Web: www.womensaid.org.uk, www.thehideout.org.uk*

WOMEN'S ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK The only UK organisation empowering women to make positive environmental change, increasing awareness of women's perspectives on environmental issues and influencing decision makers to achieve environmental justice for women. *Contact: PO Box 30626, London E1 1TZ. Tel: 020 7481 9004 Fax: 020 7481 9144 Email: comms@wen.org.uk Web: www.wen.org.uk*

WOMEN WELCOME WOMEN WORLDWIDE Unique women's worldwide international friendship network. *Contact: 5W, 88 Easton St, High Wycombe, Bucks HP 11 1LT. Tel: 01494 465441 Web: www.womenwelcomewomen.org.uk*

WOMEN WORKING WORLDWIDE UK-based action research and campaign organisation that works with an international network of women workers' organisations, around the effects of international trade on women workers. *Contact: Women Working Worldwide, MMU Manton Building, Rosamond St West, Manchester M15 6LL. Tel: 0161 247 6171 Email: information@women-ww.org Web: www.women-ww.org*

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AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL (UK) A movement of ordinary people from across the world standing up for humanity and human rights, whose purpose is to protect individuals wherever justice, fairness, freedom and truth are denied. *Contact: The Human Rights Action Centre, 17-25 New Inn Yard, London EC2A 3EA. Tel: 020 7033 1500 Email: sct@amnesty.org.uk Web: www.amnesty.org.uk*

ANTI-SLAVERY INTERNATIONAL was founded in 1839 by the abolitionists who led the campaign against the slave trade, and continues to work for an end to slavery today, campaigning for its eradication, exposing cases, supporting local organisations' initiatives to release people, and pressing for laws against slavery. *Contact: Thomas Clarkson House, The Stableyard, Broomgrove Rd, London SW9 9TL. Tel: 020 7501 8920 Fax: 020 7738 4110 Email: info@antislavery.org Web: www.antislavery.org*

AVON & BRISTOL LAW CENTRE Free legal advice and advocacy on welfare rights, employment and discrimination, housing, debt and immigration law for people with low or unwaged incomes. Also advises community groups on constitutions, etc. *Contact: 2 Moon St, Stokes Croft, Bristol BS2 8QE. Tel: 0117 924 8662 Email: mail@ablcdemon.co.uk Web: www.avonandbristolawcentre.org.uk*

BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET EQUALITY TEAM supports three key groups among its staff members: Black & Minority Ethnic Workers Group, Disabled Workers Group, and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Workers Group. *Contact: Corporate Equalities Team, Town Hall, Keynsham. Email: equality@bathnes.gov.uk Tel: 01225 396267 Fax: 01225 477890 Web: www.bathnes.gov.uk/BathNES/communityandlivingequality/WorkerGroups.htm*

BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET RACIAL EQUALITY COUNCIL (BREC) Working to promote and protect racial equality for all and to challenge inequality throughout Bath and North East Somerset. *Contact: 5 Pierrepont Place, Bath BA1 1JX. Tel: 01225 442352 Fax: 01225 329879 Email: admin@bathnesrec.org.uk Web: www.bathnesrec.org.uk*

THE BRIGHT PROJECT Improving the standard of benefits and legal advice given by black and other minority ethnic voluntary sector organisations in Bristol. *Contact: Kate Stobie & Lucia Gillespie, Avon & Bristol Law Centre, 2 Moon St, Stokes Croft, Bristol BS2 8QE. Tel: 0117 916 7720/7709 Email: mail@ablcdemon.uk*

CHARTER 88 The campaign for a modern and fair democracy, campaigning for a bill of rights, a written constitution, devolution, parliamentary and voting reform, and freedom of information. *Contact: 6 Cynthia St, London N1 9JF. Tel: 0845 450 7210 Email: info@charter88.org.uk Web: www.charter88.org.uk*

COMMISSION FOR RACIAL EQUALITY works towards the elimination of racial discrimination, promotes equal opportunities, and monitors the way the 1976 Race Relations Act is working. (The Commission for Equality & Human Rights (CEHR) will replace CRE during 2007. Web: www.cehr.org.uk). *Contact: St Dunstan's House, 201-211 Borough High St, London SE1 1GZ. Tel: 020 7939 0000 Email: info@cre.gov.uk Web: www.cre.gov.uk*

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION works to remove unlawful discrimination on grounds of gender, and to promote equal opportunities for women and men. *Contact: Arndale House, Arndale Centre, Manchester M4 3EQ. Tel: 0845 601 5901 Fax: 0161 838 1733 Email: info@eoc.org.uk Web: www.eoc.org.uk*

EQUALITY SOUTH WEST aims to tackle discrimination on the grounds of age, disability, faith, gender, race and sexual orientation, and supports dedicated regional networks for each of these strands, as well as with groups for transgender people, asylum seekers, migrant workers, gypsies and travellers. *Contact: Abbie Pepperell, East Reach House, East Reach, Taunton TA1 3EN. Tel: 01823 250833 Fax: 01823 447398 Email: abbie.pepperell@equalitysouthwest.org.uk Web: www.equalitysouthwest.org.uk Age & Gender Contact Zoe Smith on 01823 250834 Faith & Race Contact Simon Nelson on 01823 250835 Sexual Orientation & Disability Contact Tim Roberts on 01823 250832*

FAWCETT SOCIETY: BRISTOL GROUP Local group of the UK's leading campaigning charity helping to create greater equality between women and men in Britain. Works on national campaigns to raise awareness on a wide range of equality issues including pensions, flexible working, equal pay, democratic representation, BME women in the UK and criminal justice. *Contact: Helen Mott (group coordinator). Tel: 0117 373 9353 Email: helen.inbristol@blueyonder.co.uk Web (national): www.fawcettsociety.org.uk*

FRIENDS, FAMILIES & TRAVELLERS ADVICE & INFORMATION UNIT provides legal, planning and other

CLIMATE WITNESS



Nelly Damaris Chepkoskei
Kipchebor, West Kenya

Works as a farmer in her West Kenyan village.

"I'm a volunteer community mobiliser with the Forest Action Network, working mainly with women, who I believe have been left behind as far as conservation is concerned. I've heard many stories about changes in our local environment. Rainfall patterns have changed drastically. I remember clearly that my family celebrated Christmas when it was raining heavily, but this has changed. Today, Christmas is usually dry. The dry season at present is hotter, to the extent that all the grass dries up. The grass used to remain green even during the dry season. There isn't enough fodder for my cows, leading to a drop in milk production and also income, and erosion occurs at the onset of the rains. With the increased number of mosquitoes, which started in the 1980s, people are even dying from malaria - something that was virtually unheard of 30 years ago. With warmer weather, more pests are affecting our crops and more pesticides are being used. Our farming business becomes less profitable and these pesticides also pollute our environment."

Ffi: www.panda.org/climatewitness

