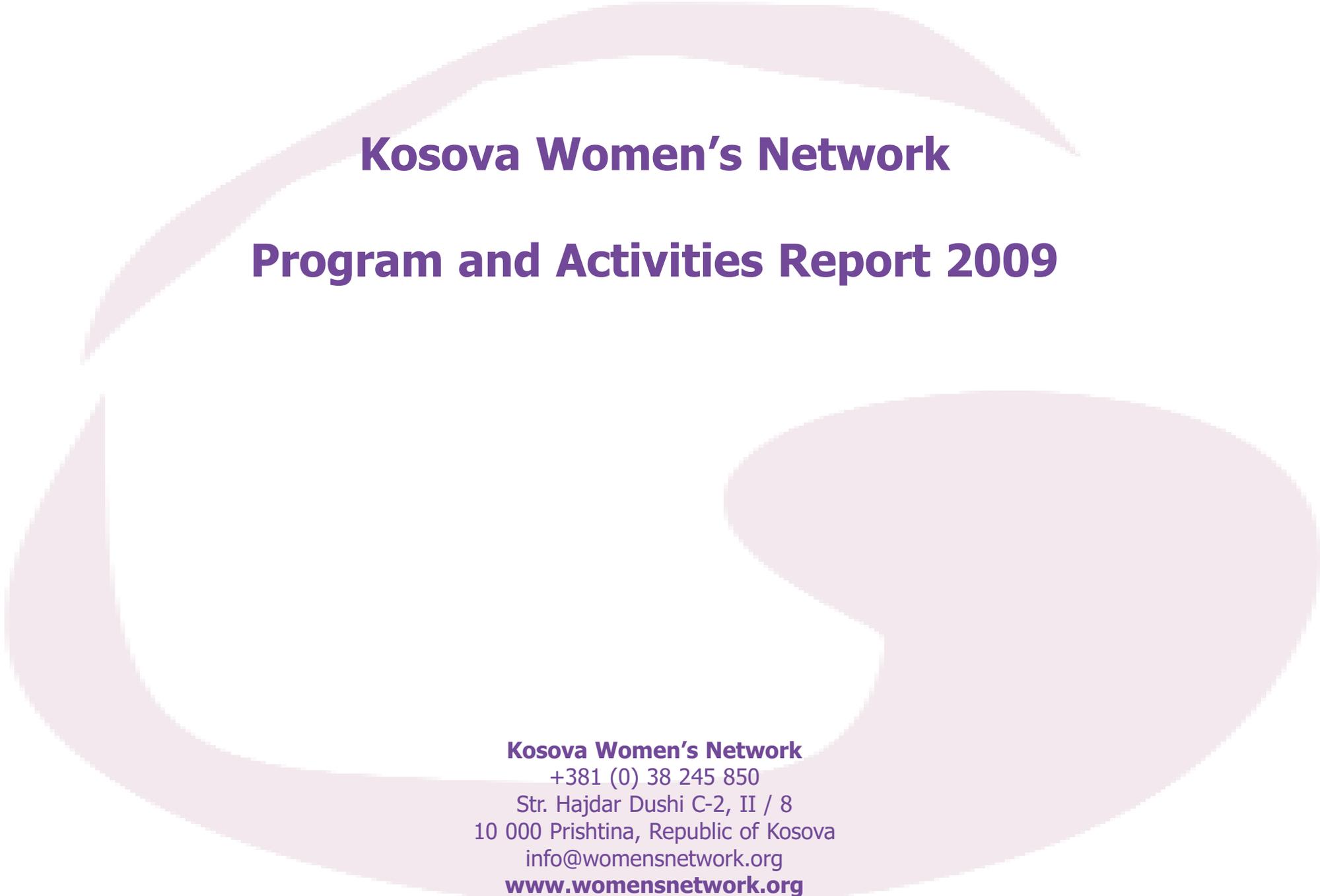


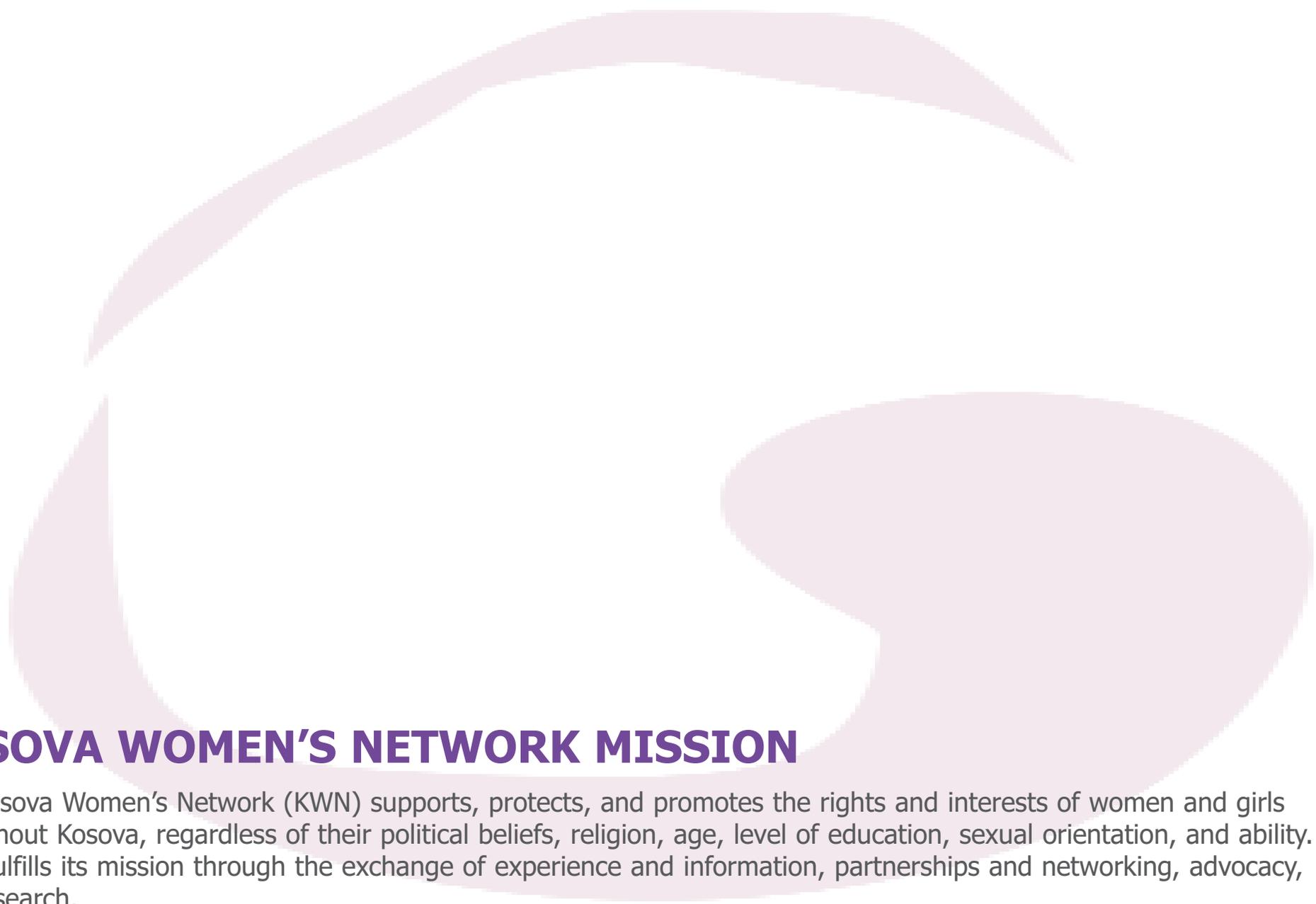
KOSOVA WOMEN'S NETWORK

ANNUAL REPORT 2009



Kosova Women's Network
Program and Activities Report 2009

Kosova Women's Network
+381 (0) 38 245 850
Str. Hajdar Dushi C-2, II / 8
10 000 Prishtina, Republic of Kosova
info@womensnetwork.org
www.womensnetwork.org



KOSOVA WOMEN'S NETWORK MISSION

The Kosova Women's Network (KWN) supports, protects, and promotes the rights and interests of women and girls throughout Kosova, regardless of their political beliefs, religion, age, level of education, sexual orientation, and ability. KWN fulfills its mission through the exchange of experience and information, partnerships and networking, advocacy, and research.

TABLE OF CONTENT

KWN Objectives	2
About this Report	3
Equal, Effective, and Active Participation of Women and Girls in Kosova's Political, Economic, and Social Development	4
Improve Women's Human Rights in all Spheres of Life in Kosova	9
Improve and Increase Cooperation among Women's Groups and rganisations in Kosova, the Region, and Internationally	12
KWN Board Members	21
KWN Staff Members	22
KWN Audit Report 2009	23
KWN Financial Report 2009	24
Future Programs	26
KWN Member Organizations	28

KWN OBJECTIVES

- I.** Ensure equal, effective, and active participation of women and girls in Kosova's political, economic, and social development;
- II.** Improve women's human rights in all spheres of life in Kosova; and
- III.** Improve and increase cooperation among women's groups and organisations in Kosova, the region, and internationally.

ABOUT THIS REPORT

This report aims to inform our members, partners, and friends about the activities and achievements of the Kosova Women's Network (KWN) in 2009. The report also includes KWN's financial report and audit for 2009. The annual report is arranged according to KWN's aforementioned strategic objectives, detailing the activities towards the achievement of each objective in 2009.

EQUAL, EFFECTIVE, AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN KOSOVA'S POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

KWN participated in the International Colloquium on Women's Empowerment

On March 7 and 8, Arjeta Rexhaj, a KWN board member and Executive Director of the Center for Training and Gender Studies, participated in the International Colloquium on Women's Empowerment, Leadership Development, International Peace, and Security in Monrovia, Liberia led by the President of Liberia, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, and Tarja Halonen of Finland. The seminar brought together hundreds of activists and government officials from around the world who discussed empowering women politically, economically, and socially.

Activists shared their experiences and learned from each other on issues concerning women in leadership; gender-based violence; the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325; the Millennium Development Goal on promoting gender equality and empowering women; the consequences of the global economic crisis on women; the sexual and reproductive status of women; climate change; and migration.

A highlight of the event was the approval of the Declaration of Monrovia on March 8, International Women's Day. The seminar also established a mechanism pertaining to the sustainability of its work by founding the Angie Brooks International Center on Women's Empowerment, Leadership Development, Peace, and Security.

'Voters Voice' continued to make citizens' concerns heard

On April 17 in the Grand Hotel, KWN publicly released the latest report resulting from the Voters' Voice Initiative. In the presence of journalists, the British Ambassador in Kosova opened the event by thanking and congratulating KWN for its work. Then, KWN Executive Director Igballe Rogova presented the report's findings. The main concerns expressed by Kosovar citizens were power cuts, unpaved roads, corruption, unemployment, water shortages, poverty, inadequate plumbing systems, low quality health services, and environmental pollution. The report drew from 1,052 telephone calls made to the Voters' Voice hotline, letters sent to the initiative's email address: zerivotuesve@gmail.com, and concerns collected during meetings with approximately 400 citizens in eight municipalities. The report included complaints from citizens in 28 municipalities. Citizens' concerns were presented according to

each municipality, and municipal authorities were given recommendations based on citizens' expressed needs. The report was also delivered to all Members of Parliament, ministries, the Prime Minister, municipal chiefs, embassies, and liaison offices in Kosovo.

On 24 August, at the Grand Hotel in Prishtina, following a press conference, citizens began signing a petition under the motto: "No water, no votes". Through the Voters' Voice Initiative led by KWN, citizens expressed their dissatisfaction with the government at both the municipal and national levels. Of the more than 1,600 calls made to the Voters' Voice toll-free hotline, drinking water shortages and failing sewage systems were among the main complaints made by citizens.

Aware of the poor water supply situation, KWN cooperated with other organizations to initiate a petition that had two basic demands: 24-hour supply of drinking water and improved sewage systems. Under the motto "No water, no votes", citizens demanded that the responsible institutions keep the promises they made during the last election campaign to provide a regular water supply. Based on citizens' requests and local needs, the petition was circulated in several municipalities. Activists from the Red Cross of Kosovo as well as other organizations and individuals continued to collect signatures through September. After collecting the signatures, the petition was sent to the Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning.

On November 3, the coordinator of Voters' Voice Initiative met with representatives of the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning. The political advisors of Minister Mahir Yagcilar participated, including Hazir Cadraku, Gjynaj Hallaq, Ermira Bojku, and Director of the Regional Water System "Batlava" Skender Bublaku. After presenting the petition, which included 2,829 signatures, representatives of the Ministry explained the problems that they faced in trying to improve the supply of drinkable water and water systems in general. Insufficient funding was one of the main impediments to solving the problem. The representatives of the Ministry promised that the issue of drinkable water would be addressed, emphasizing that this is a priority for the Ministry. However, they



said that a solution was not possible in the near future. For citizens to have 24-hour drinkable water, at least five more years of work are needed, according to Ministry officials.

KWN representatives from the Voters' Voice Initiative also presented recommendations to the Ministry:

- Fines must be enforced for people and businesses misusing water
- Fines must also be enforced for people and businesses who throw waste or let sewage run through drinking water systems
- An Eco-Fund could be created from the aforementioned fines
- Inspectors should be more engaged and their work monitored
- Citizens must be informed about the measures to be taken when they misuse drinking water (through written and electronic media)

The Voters' Voice Initiative began in 2008 and has since continued to deliver citizens' concerns to the relevant authorities.

KWN published the second edition of its report "Monitoring Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 in Kosova"

KWN published the second edition of "Monitoring Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 in Kosova" on June 12, 2009. The report focuses on issues concerning women, peace, and security since the publication of the first edition in 2007. The second edition provides a comprehensive analysis of the Resolution's implementation and is divided in two parts. The first part offers a summary of institutions in Kosova that are obliged to enforce the Resolution's implementation. These institutions include international organizations like NATO's Kosova Force (KFOR), the United Nations Mission in Kosova (UNMIK), the European Union Rule of Law Mission (EULEX), the International Civilian Police (CIVPOL), and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), as well as United Nations agencies for development (UNDP), women (UNIFEM), children (UNICEF), and refugees (UNHCR). The report also discusses the role of local institutions, including the Government of Kosova, Assembly of Kosova, Agency for Gender Equality (AGE), Kosova Police, and justice system, as well as civil society.

The second part of the report critically analyses progress toward implementing three key areas of the Resolution in Kosova: including women in all decision-making processes; accommodating a gender perspective in

the training procedures of police and military units; and protecting the human rights of women in the fields of education, economy, and freedom from violence. The report also addresses the protection of the rights of female members of minority groups of Roma, Ashkali and Egyptians in Kosova.

The publication of this second edition testifies to KWN's continuing commitment to advocating for the inclusion of women in processes of peace and security. The report is available on KWN's website: www.womensnetwork.org.

KWN attended a national conference in Albania

On 28 October, organization "Refleksione" organized a conference in Tirana entitled "Women's Empowerment in Albania – Developing Strategy", with support from USAID. Following a speech by President Bamir Topi, women in politics and civil society discussed gender equality during Albania's EU integration process and gender equality legislation. During the conference, two films were shown "Minds Run" and "Searching the infinite". Workshops focused on women's economic empowerment; developing education opportunities; improving health services; and successful models for drafting strategies in communities. For the latter, Igballe Rogova gave examples of Motrat Qiriazis's successful community-based organizing in Has region and KWN's activities after war.



KWN participated in the presentation of a study on post-war Kosova

On 27 November, KWN Executive Director Igballe Rogova participated in the presentation of a study and discussion on "Kosova after Independence: Is the EU's EULEX Mission Delivering on Its Promises?" in Vienna, Austria. Organized by the Renner-Institute, the presentation aimed to analyze the EULEX Mission in Kosova.

December 2009 marked the first anniversary of the EULEX Mission in Kosova. To date, information on this extremely costly mission showed rather disappointing results; little progress has been made in promoting the rule

of law and northern Kosovo remains controlled by Belgrade. The legitimacy of the “neutral” EU mission reached record lows among both Albanians and Serbs in Kosovo. This was reflected by an analysis by whom when, which showed that 90% of the population of Kosovo did not approve of the presence of the EULEX mission and EU policies in Kosovo. The strategy of the EU mission in Kosovo does not differ much from that of UNMIK. Brussels has yet to offer a clear strategy regarding the process of the EULEX intervention in Kosovo.

Among the participants in the presentation were Vedran Dzihic and Helmut Kramer, professors at the University of Vienna and co-authors of the report; Ulrike Lunacek, Member of the European Parliament for Austria and the EU Parliament Rapporteur for the Republic of Kosovo; Dominique Orsini, Head of the EULEX Policy Unit; Albert Rohan, former deputy of the Special Envoy for Kosovo; and Hannes Swoboda, Member of the European Parliament and Vice President of the Socialist Group Member of the EU Delegation to Kosovo. The full study is available at: <http://library.fes.de/pdf-files/id/ipa/06571.pdf>



IMPROVE WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS IN ALL SPHERES OF LIFE IN KOSOVA

KWN and Kosova Youth Network condemned domestic violence

Under the motto "Women and Men against Domestic Violence", KWN and the Kosova Youth Network (KYN), organized a protest against domestic violence on December 20, 2008. The demonstration was organized in response to recent cases of domestic violence that received minimal and poor quality media coverage.

In 2008 alone, the Kosova Police reported that eight people were killed by their own family members. There were five cases of attempted murder and numerous body injuries resulting from domestic violence. Concerned citizens, men and women, had contacted KWN, requesting that a demonstration be organized so that citizens could publicly raise their voices against domestic violence. During the demonstration, KWN Executive Director Igballe Rogova said:



In the name of these concerned citizens, in the name of the victims of violence, we call upon the governing structures of the state to prosecute the perpetrators of such acts of violence in due time and in accordance with the law. We plead to all institutions to be involved in this process and to put to service resources, be they financial or human, in order to prevent violence, to protect victims, to prosecute authors of such crimes, and to deliver sentences in accordance with the law. It is time that we say "Stop domestic violence", request justice, and ask for safety.

Demonstrations took place simultaneously in five different towns in Kosova: Prishtina, Prizren, Gjakova, Gjilan and Peja.

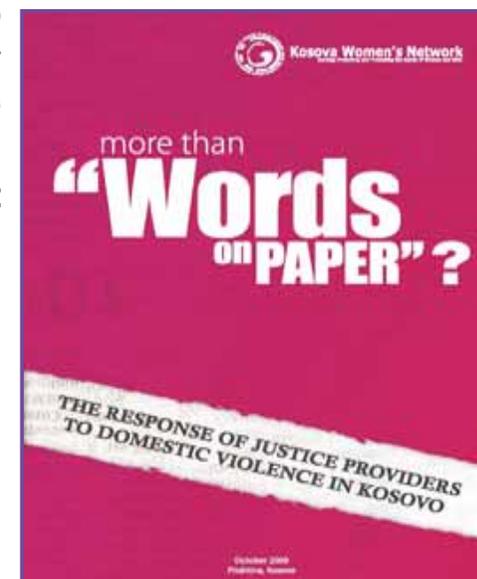
KWN released a report on the response of justice providers to domestic violence

From June to September 2009, KWN researched the response of justice providers to domestic violence in Kosovo, contracted by the UNDP's Women's Safety and Security Initiative (WSSI) and with support from the Agency for Gender Equality in the Prime Minister's Office (AGE). The research sought to support the Government of Kosovo and lawmakers in drafting and later enforcing the National Action Plan against Domestic Violence and the new Law on Protection against Domestic Violence. The research focused on the justice system in Kosovo with special attention to the implementation of legislation on domestic violence.

On September 22, more than 70 people participated in a workshop entitled "Access to Justice for Domestic Violence Victims" held at Villa Gërmia in Prishtina. Among the participants were officials from the centers for social work, shelters, municipal courts, regional courts, Kosovo Police, Victims' Advocacy and Assistance Division, and Ministry of the Interior, among others. In three working groups based on expertise, participants discussed the draft recommendations in the report that resulted from the aforementioned research. The groups focused on three sections of the report: protection against domestic violence; the Kosovo Police; and safeguarding victims' rights and access to justice. Recommendations made by the working groups were included in the final report.

On November 23, the final report entitled "More than Words on Paper"? The Response of Justice Providers to Domestic Violence in Kosovo was publicly released in the building of the Government of Kosovo. The report drew from existing data, interviews with more than 60 representatives of institutions, and in-depth interviews with 96 domestic violence victims about their experiences accessing justice. The report makes recommendations to inform the drafting of the new Law on Protection against Domestic Violence, National Strategy and Action Plan against Domestic Violence, other legislation governing the prosecution of crimes committed in family relationships, operational procedures, and the work of institutions responsible for ensuring access to justice.

The report assesses the performance of judges in delivering protection against domestic violence through mechanisms such as protection orders and penal prosecution of acts of domestic violence. It examines the work of the Kosovo Police in investigating acts of domestic violence and protecting victims from further violence. The report



assesses the work of institutions and organizations responsible for protecting the rights of victims while they seek justice. Finally, it discusses citizens' perceptions of the justice system, which may impact decisions to seek justice or remain silent. The report concludes with recommendations for policymakers and individual institutions towards improving access to justice for domestic violence victims.

The report is available on the websites of UNDP (www.ks.undp.org), KWN (<http://www.womensnetwork.org>), and the Government of Kosovo (<http://www.ks-gov.net/portal/eng.htm>).

KWN supported "Jeta Vita" and the march against breast cancer

In October, the Kosovar Center for Fighting Breast Cancer Jeta Vita, in partnership with other organizations in Kosovo, organized a campaign to raise awareness about breast cancer during International Breast Cancer Awareness Month. KWN supported this member organization by distributing information about the march against breast cancer held on 24 October and a play with seven monologues about women who suffered from breast cancer.

KWN launched an awareness campaign on gender equality mechanisms

With support from UNIFEM, KWN started a campaign to raise awareness about gender equality mechanisms in Kosovo. In the final months of 2009, KWN organized meetings with approximately 350 women in 12 municipalities. In addition to gender equality mechanisms in Kosovo, women learned more about international mechanisms, such as Gender Equality Law, CEDAW and United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325. The campaign will reach additional municipalities in 2010.



IMPROVE AND INCREASE COOPERATION AMONG WOMEN'S GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS IN KOSOVA, THE REGION, AND INTERNATIONALLY

KWN met with women activists from Liberia, Afghanistan and Congo

Through its "Building Peace" project, founding organization Medica mondiale, based in Germany, cooperated with its Kosovar partner, Medica Kosova, to organize a one week meeting of sister projects from Liberia, Afghanistan, and the Democratic Republic of Congo. During a weeklong visit to Kosova, representatives of these countries, their German colleagues, and the ISIS European (International Security Information Service) representative met with KWN in Prishtina. The primary aim of the meeting was to introduce women's rights activists from these countries. KWN also shared its experience of establishing the Network after the war, as well as efforts toward including all

ethnic groups in KWN activities.

KWN Executive Director Igballe Rogova welcomed the representatives from Liberia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Afghanistan. She emphasized the need for women's will and strength in building powerful networks that prevent political influence from donors and extend beyond ethnic and religious boundaries. Rogova offered examples from the Network's work in carrying out advocacy campaigns and other activities. The participants were inspired and encouraged by KWN's experiences, especially its beginnings and the challenges it has faced along the way.



Sisters Against Violent Extremism (SAVE) Network established

Women without Borders from Vienna hosted the first international conference of Sisters Against Violent Extremism (SAVE) in Vienna. Since women have often been ignored in decision-making processes around terrorism and violent extremism, the conference participants demanded that “alternative visions of fighting terrorism” be explored and put in practice. Thirty-three women from around the world whose lives had been affected by terrorism or violent extremism participated in the conference. They shared their experiences and hopes of enacting innovative strategies to counter terrorism. Among the participants was KWN Executive Director Igballe Rogova. The conference ended with the founding of the SAVE network, which made statements against the war in Gaza. Members of the network agreed to continue to support each other. For more information about SAVE and other activists in the network, visit: <http://www.women-without-borders.org/save/network/>.



Women's Peace Coalition discussed past and present cooperation

On December 15, representatives of the Women's Peace Coalition (WPC) met in Prishtina to discuss the Coalition's successes and challenges during the prior two years.

Among the successes identified by members were the two conferences organized by WPC in Struga, Macedonia with participation of women from Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, and Kosova. The conferences offered a safe space where women could share their memories of the war as a precondition for healing processes and future peace. During the second conference, representatives of Women in Black made the first public apology for crimes committed against Kosovar Albanians during the war. Delivering an emotional speech, they apologized for the violence Albanians suffered from Serb forces in the name of Serb citizens. The apology was transmitted by national television stations in Kosova and marked an important step in reconciliation processes.

The conferences also brought to the same table for the first time representatives of women's organizations from diverse areas of Kosova and Serbia and not only Prishtina and Belgrade. This opened the road to cooperation and information exchange among women with different backgrounds. RTV21 produced a documentary film on WPC and its work, which was shown in Kosova and in conferences around the world. The film bears witness to the cooperation among WPC members and their intentions for peace between Serbs and Kosovars.

Apart from these successes, the Coalition also faced many challenges. Kosovar women were not permitted to enter Serbia to participate in WPC meetings in Belgrade because the Government of Serbia refused to recognize UNMIK travel documents. As a result, Serbian women always traveled to Prishtina for WPC meetings. Kosovar women activists' inability to travel to Serbia dimmed the Coalition's hopes for horizontal, cross-border networking. Political tensions in 2007 and 2008 meant that the Coalition could not organize a Peace Caravan. They had hoped that the caravan would travel throughout Kosova, bringing attention to cooperation between Kosovar and Serb women and delivering messages of peace.

Regarding their future cooperation, WPC members agreed that they should focus their attention on a regional initiative, the Regional Women's Lobby for Peace, Security and Justice (RWL). The Lobby is comprised of women from civil society and politics from all countries in South East Europe (SEE), including some WPC members. RWL sends statements and lobbies international decision-makers regarding issues of interest to women, peace, security and justice in SEE. Women's NGOs involved in WPC will continue to communicate and organize joint cross-border activities.

The idea to establish WPC arose when a KWN representative visited Women in Black in Belgrade in 2006. Through this Coalition, Albanian and Serbian women sought to empower themselves and to include more women's organizations in cross-border cooperation. The Coalition played an especially active role in making women's voices heard during the negotiations over Kosova's political status.

Women activists from Israel visited Kosova

From October 11 to 16, with support from the Swedish organization Kvinna till Kvinna, KWN hosted a delegation of women's organizations from Israel and Palestine. After spending some time in Serbia, they came to Kosova together with representatives of the Women in Black Network. The purpose of the visit was to share experiences with women's organizations in South East Europe. The delegation visited women's organizations in Prishtina, such as: Dera e Hapur (Open Door) and the Kosova Gender Studies Center. In Gjilan they visited Liria, and in Gjakova Medica Kosova hosted the delegation. They were also introduced to activities organized in Mitrovica while visiting Community Building Mitrovica (CBM). In Ugljare, they had the opportunity to hear about activities organized by the Serbian Women's Network of Kosova.



Women in Black Network published a book with women's stories of war

On October 12 in Hotel Prishtina, Kvinna till Kvinna and KWN organized a public release of a book published by the Women in Black Network in Serbia entitled Women's Side of War. The book contains women's stories and experiences during the wars in Kosova, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Serbia. Women activists from Israel and Palestine were among the friends and local and international partners present.

KWN held its seventh annual membership meeting

On December 12, 2009 KWN held its seventh annual membership meeting at Villa Germia restaurant in Prishtina. Ninety guests participated, including KWN staff, members, partners and supporters as well as media.

Belgjzare Muharremi, Chair of the KWN Board, opened the meeting, mentioning some of KWN's key achievements. Then, KWN Executive Director Igballe Rogova expressing her gratitude for the support that the Network received from its members and donors, presented the KWN annual report for period December 2008 – December 2009. During 2009, KWN fulfilled its mission by continuing its work to increase the capacities of the Network; by participating in local and international events; and by advocating in Kosova and regionally.

During the annual meeting members also approved KWN strategy for 2010. As most of participants were KWN members, mostly discussed topic was what to do for future better cooperation among KWN member organization and how they can help each other on achieving better results on their mutual activities. Members also evaluated the work of KWN and its staff in 2009, and findings from these evaluations are that most of the members requests are to find donors.

By the end of the meeting KWN provided members with office supplies. The Chair of the KWN Board closed the meeting by thanking everyone present for their attendance, the organizations for their support, and local and international donors.

KWN held bimonthly membership meetings

KWN continued to hold regular meetings with its members. These meetings provided a forum for members to receive updates about KWN's activities, to exchange information and experiences, and to initiate joint activities. The meetings were held on February 2, April 6, June 12, September 28, and November 9. KWN's annual membership meeting took place on December 12, 2009. Throughout the year, KWN offered services to its members, including information, technical assistance, fundraising assistance, and translation support. KWN staff worked to meet members' requests and regularly disseminated information via e-mail and telephone. For example, KWN informed its members of calls for proposals and various events occurring in Kosova and the region.

KWN published its quarterly newsletter

KWN continued to publish its newsletter "Kosovar Women's Voice". Three editions of the quarterly newsletter contained information about the activities of its members. It was distributed electronically and in hard copy in three languages: Albanian, Serbian, and English. KWN also offered information via its website and e-mail to researchers, writers, and activists around the world. KWN regularly informed the media about its activities.

KWN continued to monitor implementation of the Code of Conduct

In 2009, KWN representatives met with member organizations to assist them with filling in an application with information about their implementation of the KWN Code of Conduct. The application was revised based on comments made by KWN members. By the end of 2009, the first full monitoring process had been completed.

Foreign students visited KWN

On January 15, students from the European Inter-University Center for Human Rights and Democratization, established in Venice, visited KWN. This University, together with the University of Prishtina, has made a tradition of visiting KWN every year. The students were provided with a short history of KWN and details about the role of women in Kosova before, during, and after the war. Students said that this meeting was the most informative meeting they had during their visit to Kosova.

On February 17, another group of students from the University of Buffalo, New York visited KWN. This group was also very curious about the role of Kosovar women in politics and decision-making as well as the work of women's organizations in Kosova.



KWN helped establish the Serbian Women's Network in Kosova

Serbian women's rights activists in Kosova decided that the work of Serbian NGOs had failed to include the voices of Serbian women and girls in enclaves who think that integration and a better life in Kosova is a necessity. They concluded that women from the Serbian community belong to a rather sensitive group and may have a passive role in transition and democratization processes. Based on their experience and aiming to involve women in developing a new reality in Kosova, fifteen NGOs united to create a network in cooperation with UNIFEM. The Network of Serbian Women's Organizations of Kosova was established as an integral part of KWN.

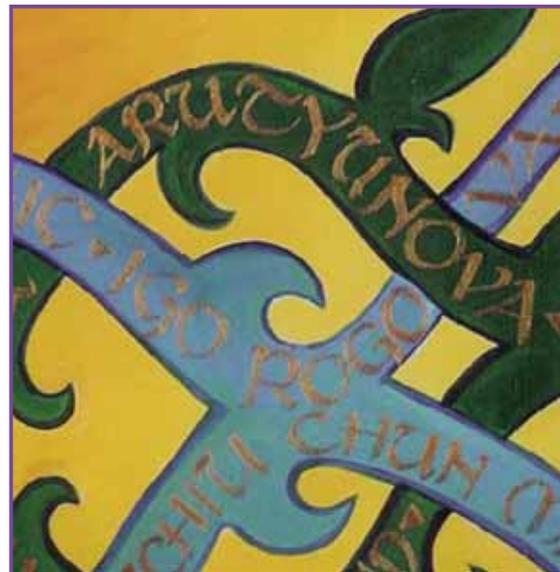
In May, the new Network began the registration process, prepared all the necessary documents, and reached an agreement about the functional structure of the Network and its mission, vision, and strategic goals for 2009. The Network's mission is to increase awareness about the rights of women, to implement the legal regulations that protect women's rights, to further a culture of peace, tolerance, dialogue, cooperation, and agreement around problems that arise. The Network's initial work would be to strengthen its organizational capacities and create mechanisms for its functioning.

The Network of Women from Albania visited KWN

In October, a group of women's organizations from Albania visited Kosova. The recently established network visited KWN and some of its member organizations. The purpose of the visit was to share experiences and information. KWN representatives explained how KWN was first established and how it created a leading network with 87 member organizations.

KWN Director honored in San Francisco

In July, the name of Igballe Rogova was added to the world famous mural of great deeds on the San Francisco Women's Building, nominated by Marta Drury and Kerry Lobel. Her name is now among the names of other leading women from around the world. Added to the beautiful mural in summer 2009, it will remain a permanent part of the Women's Building. More than 200 women have been honored in the new extension of the Mural of the Most Famous and of Great Deeds. This mural also contains the names of Mother Theresa, Angela Davis, Mother Jones, Queen Calafia, Joan of Arc, Alice Walker, Emma Goldman, Ella Fitzgerald, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Aung San Suu Kyi, among others. This grand work is both educational and inspiring, serving as a visual testament to the daring acts of women throughout history and around the globe. For more information, please visit: www.womensbuilding.org.



Women's Caucus honor women activists and organizations

On 23 December, the Informal Group of Women from the Assembly of Kosovo (known as the Women's Caucus), supported by OSCE and the National Democratic Institute, organized an awards ceremony to recognize women who contributed to improving women's position in Kosovo.

In the welcoming address of this event, which recognized the most successful women of 2009, Flora Brovina observed:

The Women's Caucus has 37 women of different ethnicities. This group has achieved to develop a dialogue, regardless of the parties that they represent, toward realizing the purpose of empowering women in politics and decision-making.

She added that "the list of women who deserved this award was too long, but no one was forgotten." The list of women awarded was prepared by the Board of Women in Parliament. The ceremony was saluted by Head of the Parliament Dr. Jakup Krasniqi.

Sixteen women received awards, each from different fields of work, including: Leze Qena – actress, Igballe Rogova – KWN Executive Director, Majlinda Kelmendit – World Prize Winner for Wrestling, Afërdita Saraçini - RTV 21 Director, Linda Shalës – businesswomen, and NGOs Medica Kosovo, Norma, Jeta, Dera e Hapur, Të vejave të Krushës, Jeta-Vita, also to Milka Koliqit and Myzefa Terziqit. The award recipients thanked OSCE and NDI for.

KWN BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2009 - 2010

Belgjyzare Muharremi - Board Chair (Director, Open Door)

Arjeta Rexhaj (Director, Gender Training and Research Center)

Ariana Qosja-Mustafa (Legal expert / activist for women's rights)

Behar Selimi (General Director of Kosova Police)

Nazlije Bala (Activist for women's rights)

Shukrije Gashi (Director, Partners Kosova)

Veprorre Shehu (Director, Medica Kosova)

KWN ADVISORY BOARD

Besim M. Kajtazi (Director of Law office – Government of Kosova)

Delina Fico (Women's rights activist)

Marte Prenkpalaj (Coordinator, Motrat Qiriazhi)

Rachel Wareham (Independent consultant/activist)

Vjosa Dobruna (Activist for human rights)

KWN STAFF MEMBERS IN 2009

Igballe Rogova
Executive Director

Besa Shehu
Finance Manager

Alba Loxha
Information and Outreach Manager

Nicole Farnsworth
Consultant and Researcher

Adelina Berisha
"Voters Voice" Coordinator

Mimoza Gashi
Researcher

Adem Gashi
Researcher

Dafina Beqiri
Project Coordinator for KWN Code of Conduct

Tiffany Ommundsen
Intern from the Advocacy Project (June-August)

KWN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT

KOSOVO WOMEN'S NETWORK (KWN)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To: EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT OF KOSOVO WOMENS NETWORK (KWN)
PRISHTINA

We have audited the costs and supplementary financial data of Kosovo Women's Network (KWN) expresses in EUR, for the period January-December 2009. These financial statements and supplementary financial data are the responsibility of the project's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the aforementioned financial information based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA). These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the reporting forms are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the reporting forms. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the proper accounting and reporting of the data on the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial information present fairly, in all material respects, the costs as of Kosovo Women's Network December 31, 2009 and the results of operations in accordance with International Standards of Accounting and Kosovo Standards of Accounting.

Xhemail Sylja
Statutory auditor
"Syle Hoti" #1
Pristine
Republic of Kosovo
Phone: ++377 44 156 921
Central Fax: +381 38 551 790

XHEMAIL SYLA
Auditor General
Statutory Auditor
10000 Prishtine

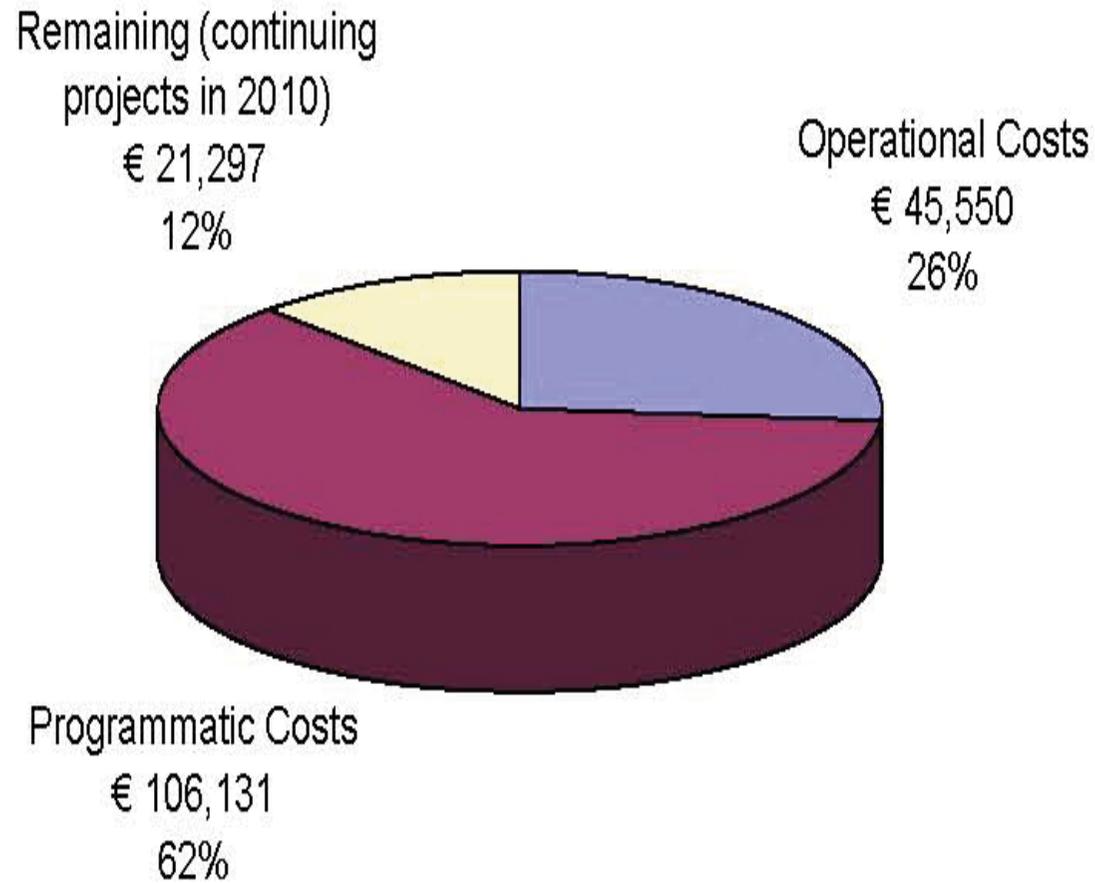

Prishtina,

26 March 2010

KWN FINANCIAL REPORT

Donor	Project	Remaining from 2008	Received 2009	Spent 2009	Carried over to 2010
1 UNDEF ('07 - '09)	Women Networking for Peace and Regional Stability	15,077.58	0.00	15,077.58	-
2 British Embassy	Citizens initiative to increase good governance	10,348.00	14,333.45	24,681.45	-
3 UNIFEM Kosova	Increasing awareness of gender equality mechanisms in Kosova		7,350.00	4,871.83	2,478.17
4 UNDP / WSSI	Research on Response of Justice Providers to Domestic Violence		20,780.00	20,780.00	-
5 MOTT Foundation	Institutional support for KWN	500	15,236.44	15,309.09	427.35
6 Kvinna till Kvinna	Strengthening KWN Capacity for Advocacy	700	32,047.00	32,147.00	600
7 BTD	Citizens initiative to increase good governance		31,730.00	13,938.60	17,791.40
8 UNIFEM Austria	Women's access to health care (project of Medica Kosova)		10,000.00	10,000.00	-
9 US Embassy	Support for the TV serial Production		14,970.00	14,970.00	-
Total		26,625.58	146,446.89	151,775.55	21,296.92

KWN OPERATIONAL AND PROGRAMMATIC COSTS



FUTURE PROGRAMS

In coming years, KWN staff in close cooperation with its Board of Directors and member organizations has planned a number of activities towards the achievement of its strategic objectives and mission. Toward its first objective of ensuring equal, effective, and active participation of women and girls in Kosova's political, economic, and social development, KWN will continue to empower women's participation in politics and decision-making through: researching and releasing a monitoring report commemorating the 10 year anniversary of UNSCR 1325 and contributing to an Kosovar action plan for implementing Resolution 1325; an awareness campaign for gender equality mechanisms in Kosova; advocacy for women's involvement in the security sector (Council for Security, Security Force, and Intelligence Agency); and meetings with women voters in Kosova. KWN will also continue to empower voters through its telephone hotline and submitting citizens' concerns and recommendations to political leaders.

Toward its second objective, improving women's human rights in all spheres of life in Kosova, KWN will continue to work toward improving women's health through a campaign against breast cancer in close cooperation the Kosovar Center for Combating Breast Cancer; contributing to drafting a strategy against breast and ovarian cancer; and evaluating women's access to healthcare in the public health system.

Toward the same objective, KWN will also focus on decreasing trafficking and domestic violence by continuing to support of the Coalition against Family and Sexual Violence and through an awareness campaign on the new Law on Protection against Domestic Violence and the Strategy and National Action Plan against Domestic Violence once they are adopted by the Government of Kosova.

Toward KWN's third objective, to improve and increase cooperation among women's groups and organizations in Kosova, the region, and internationally, KWN will continue to focus on increasing women's involvement in regional peace-building via regional networking and cooperation with women's organizations and support for strengthening Serbian women's organizations in Kosova. KWN will also continue its efforts toward strengthening the capacity of the network through its quarterly newsletter, annual report, monitoring the implementation of the KWN Ethical and Accountability Code, Compiling a leaflet with KWN members' profiles, regularly updating its website, bimonthly membership meetings, and membership services, such as fundraising support, translation, and training, as requested by members.

KWN MEMBERS 2009

Ajo

Maria Kurti
044 286 319
ugaafrodita@hotmail.com
Ferizaj

Alma

Shemsije Seferi
044 257 443
shemsijeseferi@hotmail.com
Sverkë, Pejë

Antigona

Rabe Rrustemi
044 192 232
r_rrustemi@hotmail.com
Skenderaj

Asebe

Esmâ Karanezi
044 128 126
Prizren

Ato

Fikrije Ferizi
044 332 558
qendraegruas_ato@hotmail.com
Vushtrri

Aureola

Sanije Grajçevci
044 502 578
aureola_p95@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Bardha

Raza Sadrija
044 104 126
Prishtinë

Briga

Miroslavka Simonovic
063 7210 616
miroslavkabriga@yahoo.com
Gorazdevac

Centari Romani Gjuvlenge

Emsale Mergjollari
044 274 671
emsalemargjollari@hotmail.com
Prizren

Dera e Hapur

Belxhyzare Muharremi
044 124 423
betimuharremi@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Diana

Silvana Vokshi
044 769 778
Gjakovë

Dora Dorës

Vjosa Curri
044 216 616
dora_dores@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Dora e Ngrohtë

Drita Rama
044 264 102
drita.g.rama@gmail.com
Rahovec

Drita

Fexhrie Mavriqi
044 649 168
febimav@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Dua

Ilijana Kryeziu
044 309 439
ojqduaaa@yahoo.com
Prizren

Edona

Hafize Hajdini
044 657 920
ngoedona@yahoo.com
Ferizaj

Elena Gjika

Lale Grabanica
044 199 167
grabanica@hotmail.com
Klinë

Familja dhe Shpresa

Atifete Bytyqi
044 329 196
atifetebytyqi@hotmail.com
Klinë

Femra në Veprim

Kadrije Berisha
044 227 820
kpiliqi@yahoo.com
Kaçanik

Flaka

Shehindere Dedushi
044 195 940
delidedushi@hotmail.com
Lipjan

Foleja

Gjyzel Shaljani
044 219 612
gjyzelshaljani@gmail.com
Prizren

Fortesa

Sanije Jahiri
044 643 665
sanije200@hotmail.com
Kamenicë

Gruaja Familjare

Nadire Kryeziu
044 217 223
gruaja_familjare@hotmail.com
Prizren

Gruaja për Gruan

Shemsije Xhaferi
044 155 286
xhaferi_shemsije@hotmail.com
Rahovec

Grupi i Veteranëve të Arsimit

Naxhije Buçinca
044 233 633
naxhi_gva@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Hadër

Resmije Krasniqi
044 278 538
haderprizren@hotmail.com
Prizren

Handikos

Drita Vukshinaj
044 263 636
handikos_pz@hotmail.com
Prizren

Handikos

Mehreme Llumnica
044 198 688
mehremellumnica@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Hanëmeli

Lirije Gash
044 343 709
liriyegas@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Hareja

Sahadete Dula
044 204 321
shpg.hareja@hotmail.com
Prizren

Idemo Pravo

Zhivadinka Radosavlevic
064 447 0 967
Plemetin

Indira

Lize Marku
044 963 727
l_marku@hotmail.com
Videjë/Klinë

Institute of Psychology

Myrvete Bajrami
044 209 017
mbajrami@gmail.com
Prishtinë

Jeta

Safete Gacaferri
044 253 412
ojqjeta@yahoo.com
Deçan

Jeta Ime

Shqipe Bejtullahu
044 188 336
mylife_center@yahoo.com
Gjakovë

Jeto Jetën

Xhylnaze Bytyqi
044 187 021
jetojeten@hotmail.com
Prizren

Kalabria

Sevdie Bunjaku
044 234 190
kalabria24@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Kevser

Igballe Berisha - Huduti
044 142 038
kewther_pz@yahoo.com
Prizren

Komitet Zena za Zastitu i Ljudska Prava

Snezana Karadzic
044 929 676
snezana.karadzic@gmail.com
Caglavica

Komiteti i Grave të Verbëra

Bajramshahe Jetullahu
044 185 298
kgvk_b@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Kreativa

Klara Baraku – Idrizi
044 145 744
shoqata_kreativa@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Legjenda

Melihate Osmani
044 194 045
meliosmani@yahoo.com
Viti

Lepsa Buducnost

Radosava Mirkovic
064 533 7885
lepsa.buducnost@yahoo.com
Priluzje

Lira

Valire Buza
044 189 775
valirebuza@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Liria

Nazife Jonuzi
044 125 729
liriagjilan@hotmail.com
Gjilan

Liria

Luljeta Kuqi
044 186 824
luljeta_kuqi@hotmail.com
Suharekë

Lulebora

Selvete Gashi
044 110 970
ojqlulebora@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Lulishtja

Sadije Dulahu
044 374 412
sadedulahu@hotmail.com
Dabishevc

Luna

Stanica Kovacevic
044 738 590
Fushë Kosovë

**Mental Disability Rights
International**

Zamira Hyseni
044 176 287
zhyseni@mdri.org
Prishtinë

Medica Kosova

Veprora Shehu
044 188 316
medicam_kosova@yahoo.com
Gjakovë

Motrat Qiriaz

Marte Prenkpalaj
044 113 258
motratqiriazahas@yahoo.com
Has / Prizren

Nardi

Violeta Shehu
044 450 184
nardi_99@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Ne Jemi Pjesë e Botës

Atifete Demaj
044 239 814
njpb05@hotmail.com
Fushë Kosovë

Norma

Valbona Salihu
044 126 428
shoqatanorma@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Oda

Violeta Selimi
044 318 982
vselimi.oda@gmail.com
Prishtinë

OGPK

Rudina Gerdeci - Llapashtica
044 308 758
aibi@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

One to One Kosova

Merita Halitaj
044 172 644
onetoonekosove@hotmail.com
Prizren / Pejë

OPER

Nuriye Ferati - Haziri
044 257 316
nuriye.ngo.oper@hotmail.com
Prishtinë

Promocom

Blerta Nezaj
044 145 554
ngo_promocom@yahoo.com
Gjakovë

**Qendra Kosovare për Luftimin
e Kancerit të Gjirit Jeta/Vita**

Nafije Latifi
044 145 530
jeta.vita@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

**Qendra Kosovare për
Rehabilitimin e të Mbijetuarve
të Torturës**

Feride Rushtini
044 501 904
krct_org@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

**Qendra Kosovare për Studime
Gjinore**

Luljeta Vuniqi
044 116 898
qksgj_kgsc@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

**Qendra për Mbrojtjen e Grave
dhe Fëmijëve**

Naime Sherifi
044 508 081
cpwcprishtina@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

**Qendra për Mbrojtjen e
Viktimave dhe Parandalimin e
Trafikimit me Qenie Njerëzore**

Hamijet Dedolli
hamijet_dedolli@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Qendra për Mirëqenien e Gruas

Ardita Bala
044 223 543
pejawwc@yahoo.com
Pejë

**Qendra për Strehimin e Grave
dhe Fëmijëve**

Nora Hoxha
044 126 588
qsgf_pz@hotmail.com
Prizren

**Qendra për Trajnime dhe
Studime Gjinore**

Arjeta Rexha
044 124 612
qtsgj@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Qendra Resurse e OJQ-ve

Esmë Smajli
029 631 357
ngoprizren@yahoo.com
Prizren

Romane Romnja

Shpresa Agushi
044 211 905
agushishpresa@yahoo.com
Gjilan

Ruka + Ruci

Nevenka Rikallo
044 839 986
rikalonevenka@yahoo.com
Fushë Kosovë

Sara

Dashurie Sahiti
044 373 036
dashurijesahiti@yahoo.com
Dragash

SHE - ERA

Mirlinda Kusari
044 122 696
wsheera@gmail.com
Gjakovë

Shoqata e Amviseve të Kosovës

Gjylfidane Morina
044 394 226
danemorina@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

**Shoqata Këshilluese Edukative
"Ujesa"**

Shukrije Bytyqi
044 382 331
shke_ujesa@yahoo.com
Malishevë

**Shoqata për Edukimin dhe
Përkujdesjen e Familjes**

Bahrije Deva
044 152 051
shepfgjakova@yahoo.com
Gjakovë

Shpresa

Sabrije Kukaj
044 170 652
sabrijekukaj@hotmail.com
Drenas

Shpresa & Shtëpitë e Fëmijëve

Valbona Çitaku
044 200 353
sdsf_ks@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Shtëpia e Sigurtë

Sakibe Doli - Dobruna
044 161 857
linjajuaj@yahoo.com
Gjakovë

Shtjefën Gjeçovi

Shpresa Siqeca
044 350 023
shpresasiqeca808@yahoo.com
Prizren

Sibora

Hyrmete Celina
044 247 240
sibora_pz@yahoo.com
Prizren

Teuta

Nexhmije Bytyqi
044 216 623
nexhmijeb@yahoo.com
Prizren

Venera

Miradije Gashi
044 223 418
ngo-venera@live.com
Pejë

Violete

Bedrije Shala
044 317 652
bedrije.shala@hotmail.com
Barilevë / Prishtinë

Vita - Jeta

Ajshe Nuhiu
044 277 421
ajshenuhiu@yahoo.com
Prishtinë

Zana

Tahire Gashi
044 406 812
shg_zana@hotmail.com
Klinë

Kosova Women's Network
Annual Report 2009

Compiled and designed by
ALBA LOXHA

© 2009 Kosova Women's Network
Str. Hajdar Dushi C-2, II / 8,
10 000 Prishtina, Republic of Kosova

Permission to republish is granted, but please acknowledge the source.

