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IFUW UPDATE - 22 January 2014



Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), Geneva, Switzerland

[International Federation of University Women news](#)

The Geneva office is gearing up to the Board meeting at the beginning of February. For reminder, the dates are as follows:

- 5 -6 February Finance Committee
- 7 February Board Meeting
- 8-9 February Board with Membership Committee
- 10-11 February Board Meeting
- 12 February UN representatives meeting

[National Federation and Association \(NFA\) news](#)

India

The University Women's Association of Calcutta (UWAC) marked Human Rights Day on December 18. In a panel discussion, participants promoted awareness on the issues and problems in women's lives, where human rights and women's rights do not prevail and are conspicuous by its absence. There is still much to do. [Read more](#)

Cambodia and New Zealand

Human rights audits on Cambodia and New Zealand will take place in Geneva from Jan 27 to Feb 7 at the [Universal Periodic Review](#) (UPR). The UPR is unique mechanism of the United Nations and consists of the review of the human rights practices of all States in the world, once every four years and a half. [Please contact us](#) if your national

affiliate wishes to act.

Korea and Norway

The [pre-sessions](#) for the United Nations human rights audits on Korea and Norway will take place from 7-10 April. The UPR Pre-sessions bring together Permanent Missions, National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) to discuss the human rights situation of States **two months** prior to their review at the UPR Working Group. The Pre-sessions provide a golden opportunity for IFUW members to influence their governments' positions on women's education and human rights. [Please contact us](#) if your national affiliate wishes to act.

Advocacy

Human rights at home

The Universal Periodic Review (UPR) "has great potential to promote and protect human rights in the darkest corners of the world," Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General [Read more about the UPR](#)

Violence against women in India

Australia's 3CR Radio interviewed Rita Banerji, founder of [The 50 Million Missing Campaign](#), to discuss violence against women and the role of women and feminists in India. [Listen here](#) | [Join our discussion on local changes to end violence against women, on LinkedIn.](#)

Call for papers

Promoting Women's Entrepreneurship: Which Policies & Practices Work Best? International Research and Policy Seminar on 8-9 May 2014 at Maastricht School of Management. Deadline for submissions is 10 March 2014. [Read more](#)

Experiencing Prison: A Persons Project

This project seeks to promote and encourage the study of all aspects of prison, prison writings and the literature of incarceration and confinement. [Read more](#)

Other information and events

January 27-February 7	18th Universal Periodic Review, Geneva
February 5-12	IFUW Board meetings, Geneva
March 3-28	Human Rights Council, Geneva
March 8	International Women's Day
March 10-26	Committee on the Status of Women (#CSW58), New York
May 5-9	Biennial Conference of the Int. Association of Women Judges, Tanzania
May 12-14	Oslo Freedom Forum , Oslo
June 1	IFUW Day
August	G(irls)20 Summit, Australia
August 17-22	Women's World Congress, Hyderabad

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