

**Women, Youth, Peace and Security in Ghana
Information sheet**

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Mandate and objectives of the organization	West Africa region characterized by just and peaceful communities where the dignity of the human person is paramount and where the people can meet their basic human needs and decide their own direction.
Sectors of intervention	<p>West Africa Early Warning and Response Network (WARN) seeks to enhance human security in the region by monitoring and reporting on socio-political situations that could degenerate into violent conflicts.</p> <p>The Active Non-Violence Peace Education (NAPE) program seeks to promote a culture of non-violence as a platform for achieving sustainable peace in the region. It is specifically focused on children and youth in-school and in informal sector.</p> <p>Women in Peacebuilding Network (WIPNET) is a platform to support women and build their capacity in the promotion of women, peace and human security in the region using international instruments including the UNSCR 1325 and the ECOWAS Conflict Prevention Framework (ECPF) as guide and reference.</p> <p>The Civil Society Democracy and Governance (CSDG) Program provides a platform to engage with diverse stakeholders in promoting peaceful democratic transitions, and partner with other civil society organizations to monitor and mitigate election-related conflicts, promote dialogue towards the attainment of peaceful elections.</p> <p>Dialogue and Mediation: This program enables WANEP involvement in the search for a peaceful settlement of crisis especially at its nascent stage, promote inter and intra communal dialogue, enhance and mediate capacities of communities and other relevant state and inter government bodies.</p> <p>West Africa Peacebuilding Institute (WAPI) seeks to increase knowledge base and enhance the expertise and skills of individuals, organizations and businesses in the area of conflict prevention and peacebuilding. It also seeks to increase the number of competent, active peacebuilding practitioners in West Africa.</p>
Geographical areas of intervention	15 ECOWAS Member States

Actions and interventions for the promotion of Women, Youth, Peace and Security in Ghana (including advocacy) 2010 to 2019

Women, Youth, Peace and Security related actions/interventions	Areas	International and national partners
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Develop Guidelines for the development of the National Action Plans (NAPs) of UNSCR 1325 Several capacity building initiatives for women in Peacebuilding, peace education, dialogue and mediation, monitoring and evaluation	Implementation of UNSCR 1325	ECOWAS, KAIPTC, Government Ministries and departments
Training of women for political participation, early warning, election monitoring and observation under WAPI	Election Monitoring and Observation	KAIPTC, NPC
Establishment of women situation room within the Election Situation Room (ESR)	Election Monitoring and Observation	USAID, NPC
Support for the establishment of peace and conflict studies department in UCC, Ghana	Peace Education	ECOWAS, Ministry of Education (MOE)
Establishment of peace and peer mediators' clubs in secondary schools	Peace Education	ECOWAS, MOE
Collaborated with the Ghana Education Service to develop and publish a Peace Education Teacher's manual	Peace Education	MOE
Interventions held outside Ghana-2010-2019		
Support to development and running of the women peace huts in Liberia	WPS	
Build capacity of women across WA and the Sahel Region on strategies for preventing violent extremism (PVE)	WPS	UNWOMEN
Published key resources for Peace Education, Election Management, R2P, women in peacebuilding etc.	Women, youth	ECOWAS, GPPAC etc
Integration of peace programs into the Peace Studies curriculum of Tertiary Institutions in order to bridge the gap between theory and practice.	Peace education	Education Ministries ECOWAS
Inclusion of Peace Education into schools' curriculum	Peace education	Education Ministries ECOWAS
Establishment of peace and peer mediators' clubs in selected schools across the region leading to reduction of school-based violence	Peace education	Education Ministries ECOWAS
Creation of a Gender Desk in security institutions in Nigeria and Liberia	WPS	Relevant government ministries and departments, UNWOMEN
Developed Strategy for inculcating CVE and Community resilience into Peace Education program in the Sahel region	Peace Education	Education Ministries ECOWAS