

# IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS

## 1. IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 ON WOMEN IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

In partnership with the Latin American Episcopal Council (CELAM).

## 2. DISCRIMINATION AND PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

A Look into the Future.  
In alliance with the Latin American Episcopal Council (CELAM).

## 3. FORMATION OF COMMUNION WEAVERS FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

In alliance with the Pontifical Commission for Latin America (PCAL).



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# GOAL

# PROJECTS

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# EXECUTION

The World Women's Observatory (WVO) aims to give visibility to women, especially the most vulnerable ones, who seem "invisible", both in terms of their suffering and their potential, in order to inspire and generate:

- pastoral strategies by the Church,
- synergies by civil society NGOs,
- public policies by States,
- contributions to the international agenda

that favour the integral human development of women and that of their families, communities and peoples.

## WVO AIMS TO:

Eradicate all forms of violence and discrimination against women, in order to establish, in practice, equal rights and opportunities for men and women.



*May women have a real and effective impact on the organisation, on the most important decisions and on the guidance of the communities, still in the style of their own "feminine imprint."*



*Pope Francis*  
(QA 103)

## AFRICA

### THE CRY OF AFRICAN WOMEN

In partnership with the Hilton Foundation. Violence and Discrimination against women in Africa.

- Dialogue in 20 meetings with 110 experts from 37 countries (59 lay women and 51 religious women).
- More than 10,000 women from 36 countries in the region participated in the survey which was conducted in 5 languages (French, English, Swahili, Arabic and Portuguese).
- We are developing a network with religious and lay women from 22 African countries for sharing good practices and advocacy.
- "In-Visibles": 30-minute documentary to launch a global campaign to gradually eradicate violence against women in Africa.
- "Women's Cry": the exhibition of 26 photographs was presented for the first time in St. Peter's Square in the Vatican in May 2023. Then in Kigali - Rwanda at the International Conference "Women Deliver" as well as in the Venice International Film Festival and other festivals.

## SYNODALITY

### SYNODALITY AND WOMEN

Synodality according to women coresponsible for the synodal process.

- More than 459 women coresponsible at the Diocesan, National or Continental level, from the 7 regions worldwide took part in a survey.
- The results were submitted to the Synod Secretariat as "Responses to the Working Document for the Continental Stage of the Synod (DEC)" and a report was circulated.
- We created and are sharing 10 videos with testimonies of women from all over the world who perform very important missions for the church, but frequently unknown or not valued.
- To prepare ourselves for the Synodal Assembly, we organised 3 webinars with Synodal women from different regions, in 4 languages. We had 804 participants worldwide.
- We organised, together with the IFCA and the ACI, hybrid praying and formation encounters called "Walking with the Synod" with participants at the Synodal Assembly.