

Group Work Report

1. Representation

Lack of political goodwill is a major hurdle.

Entrenched patriarchal system that sidelines women in key decision making.

Cultural norms, socialization bar women from occupying the driver`s seat

Patronage networks deny women who are not well connected a chance to occupy strategic.

Inadequate resources.

Limited access to education and lifelong skills.

Sluggish implementation of affirmative action policies and legislation.

Disconnect between global and local treaties eg, how many countries have ratified CEDAW?

Opportunities

Quicker timeframe to report back on resolutions passed at global forums

Capacity

Actualize existing instruments on gender empowerment

2.

Fair representation of skilled women at COP sessions.

Establish benchmarks to measure and monitor progress towards gender and report results publicly.

Create awareness about the importance of gender mainstreaming at country level.

Capacity building at all levels

Better coordination to avoid duplication

Feedback mechanism should be strengthened to enhance good communication between county and national government

Prudent use of available resources to advance gender mainstreaming in climate change.

3.

Additional parties should include the parliamentary committee on climate change.

Local Research and learning institutions to collect data

UN agencies

County governments

Local opinion leaders, FBO,

Community, national and international media