

Programme

Celebrating Mountain Women A Global Gathering in the Year of Mountains 2002

Sunday 29 September

Arrivals

Monday 30 September

4.00 – 5.00 PM

Arrivals, check-in, registration, set up of stalls/exhibits, and sight seeing
Press Conference

6.00 – 7.00 PM

Warm up and getting to know each other in the 'gataen', or carnival area, with music, mountain dances, and exhibition stalls

7.30 PM

Dinner

Tuesday 1 October

Setting the Stage

8.30 – 9.30 AM

Registration

9.30 AM

Arrival of Chief Guest, The Hon. Prime Minister of Bhutan, His Excellency Lyonpo Dr. Kinzang Dorji

Chipdrel, Marchang and Zhugdrel Phuensum Tshogpa
(Traditional Bhutanese inaugural ceremony)

10.00 AM

Welcome address by Representative of the Royal Government of Bhutan

10.05 AM

Chief Guest addresses the conference and declares it open

10.25 AM

Addresses by ICIMOD, ODA-Japan, IFAD, UNIFEM, SDC, others

11.10 AM

Video clips "Mountain Women Speak"

11.25 AM

Keynote address by Irene Santiago

12.00 PM

Group moves into the gatoen area

Chief Guest cuts the ribbon of stalls' area and meets participants to the sound of music in the background

12.30 PM

Lunch

(After lunch, Chief Guest departs)

2.30 – 4.30 PM

Introductory session on five themes (20 minutes each)

Natural Resources and Environment

Entrepreneurship

Legal, Political, and Human Rights

Health and Well-being

Culture and Indigenous Knowledge

4.30 – 5.30 PM Open discussion
5.30 PM Networking, interaction, films, music, dances, tents
7.30 PM *Dinner*

Wednesday 2 October

Theme Sessions

9.00 AM – 5.00 PM

Issues and Ideas

Participants will break into five groups to listen, share, and discuss theme areas. Each group will have two facilitators to guide the process.

Natural Resources and Environment

Entrepreneurship

Legal, Political, and Human Rights

Health and Well-being

Culture and Indigenous Knowledge

Tents (All day)

Tents, according to the five themes of CMW, will be set up in the open air and presentations and discussions will be scheduled, facilitated, and the proceedings documented. These activities, in a less formal way, will run parallel to the theme sessions.

Film festival (All day)

Select films of mountain women will be screened all day, parallel to the theme discussions and tent activities

Booths (All day)

The booths will feature crafts, foods, photographs, and music from the various mountain areas.

1.00 – 2.30 PM

Lunch

5.00 PM

Networking, mountain costume show, tents, films.

7.30 PM

Circulation of "Thimphu Declaration" draft

Dinner

Thursday 3 October

All day

Summing up

booths, tents

9.00 – 12.30 PM

Group work on

a) Summary of theme discussions

b) Inputs into draft Thimphu Declaration

c) CMW follow-up activities

12.30 – 2.30 PM

Lunch

3.00 – 5.00 PM

Plenary Presentations

a) Theme and tent summaries

b) Thimphu Declaration

c) CMW follow-up activities

5.30 PM

Tents, interaction, film festival, booths

7.30 PM

Dinner

Friday 4 October

In Thimphu

Closing programme at the Royal Banquet Hall, Thimphu, Bhutan

10.00 AM

Arrival of participants from Paro

10.15 AM

Arrival of the Chief Guest RGOB Prime Minister Lyonpo Dr. Kinzang Dorji

Closing Ceremonies — Marchang and Zhugdrel

10.45 AM

Valedictory Address (by Catharine Cooke)

11.15 AM

Adoption of Thimphu Declaration/Message to BGMS

11.35 AM

Closing Address by Chief Guest, RGOB

(Her Royal Highness Princess Chimi Yangzom Wangchuck)

11.50 AM

Vote of Thanks by Director General, ICIMOD

12.00 PM

Press Conference

12.30 – 1.30 PM

Closing Lunch

7.00 PM

Gather to return to Paro

October 5 and 7

Departures of CMW Participants from Paro