



Closing the Gender Gap for New Prosperity

W20 Japan 2019 Steering Committee



W20 is an official engagement group that proposes policy recommendations related to women for the G20.

Other engagement groups are B20 (business), C20 (civil society), L20 (labor), S20 (science), T20 (think tank), and Y20 (youth).

Engagement groups influence G20 leaders to create new international economic order by making policy recommendations.

※The G20 was established in the G7 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting in 1999. In 2008, the G20 became the G20 Summit to deal with global financial crisis and achieve sustainable development. The G20 consists of the G7 (United States, Canada, United Kingdom, France, Germany, Italy, and Japan), Russia, China, Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia, Australia, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, South Africa, and the E.U. The G20 is an international framework for sustainable development and economic stability covering 85% of the global economy and 66% of the world population.

Trajectory

Trajectory of W20



2014 

G20 Brisbane Summit

Adopted W20 goal 25by25

2015 

1st Summit Istanbul

Chair country Turkey

2016 

2nd Summit Xi'an

Chair country China

2017 

3rd Summit Berlin

Chair country Germany

2018 

4th Summit Buenos Aires

Chair country Argentina



Berlin meeting
(Prime Minister Merkel at the far right side)



Buenos Aires meeting
(Prime Minister Macri to the right)



“Closing the Gender Gap for New Prosperity”

The primary purpose of W20 is to implement 25 by 25 that declares, “The G20 will decrease the labor force participation gap between men and women to 25%”, adopted in the G20 Brisbane Summit in 2014.

The G20’s common understanding is that women’s social advancement means economic empowerment, which is also a basic idea of SDGs. The fifth W20 in Japan 2019, will demand action and results based on previous discussion, and will focus on the four pillars.

Labor Equity

Financial Equity

Digital Equity

Governance

Team

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Program

Program @Hotel New Otani



	Day1 Fri, March 22nd	Day2 Sat, March 23rd	Day3 Sun, March 24th
AM		Opening, Keynotes and Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening Remarks ● Submission of W20 Communique to the G20 Leader ● W20/WAW! joint key notes ● W20/WAW! joint panel 	Panels, Breakouts and Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● W20 Panel “Closing the Gender Gap in Labor” ● W20 Special Sessions ● Closing Remarks
PM	W20 Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Final communique drafting (Delegates and invited experts only) 	Panels and Breakouts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● W20 Panel “For New Prosperity/ Enhancing Governance for Women’s Empowerment” ● W20 Breakouts “Creation of Value by Women Entrepreneurs” “Gender Equity in Digital Era” 	W20 Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Taskforce working sessions (Delegates and invited experts only)