

Knowledge File: Gender Transformative Approach

List of Expert Organisations & Events

Dutch Expert Organisations

Emancipator

Emancipator is the Dutch organization for men and gender justice and a member of the global MenEngage alliance. It aims to move forward on gender equality justice and objectives. Emancipator points to unequal gender relations as a main cause for many problems in the world and engages men as part of the solution. Emancipator develops programmes to engage men and boys in issues like gender based violence, care and employment (father leave) and policy. Emancipator collection and disseminates knowledge, connects professionals and aims for a joint vision on the emancipation of men.

Website: <https://www.emancipator.nl/over-ons/>

Vitamine V

Vitamine Vader (V) has been founded by Orville Breeveld as a platform in which he constructively talks to fathers about their role in the development of their children through meetings and events.

Website: <https://vitaminevader.wordpress.com/>

International Expert Organisations

MenEngage Alliance

The MenEngage Alliance is a global alliance made up of dozens of country networks spread across many regions of the world, hundreds of non-governmental organizations, as well as UN partners. MenEngage members work collectively and individually toward advancing gender justice, human rights and social justice to achieve a world in which all can enjoy healthy, fulfilling and equitable relationships and their full potential.

Through its country-level and regional networks, MenEngage seeks to provide a collective voice on the need to engage men and boys in gender equality, to build and improve the field of practice around engaging men in achieving gender justice, and advocating before policymakers at the local, national, regional and international levels.

Website: <http://menengage.org/>

MenCare – A Global Fatherhood Campaign

MenCare is a global fatherhood campaign active in more than 45 countries on five continents. Its mission is to promote men's involvement as equitable, nonviolent fathers and caregivers in order to achieve family well-being, gender equality, and better health for mothers, fathers, and children. It engages men to be allies in supporting women's social and economic equality, in part by taking on more responsibility for childcare and domestic work. The organisations supporting the campaign believe that true equality will only be reached when men are taking on 50 percent of the world's child care and domestic work.

Website: <https://men-care.org/>

The Good Men Project

The Good Men Project was founded in 2009 in the United States by Tom Matlack and James Houghton as a way to allow men to tell stories about the defining moments in their lives. The hope was to spark a “national conversation” around the question of “What does it mean to be a good man?”

Website: <https://goodmenproject.com/>

The Mankind Project

The ManKind Project is a non-profit training and education organization focused on experiential personal development programs for men. MKP supports a global network of free peer-facilitated men's groups and supports men in leading lives of integrity, authenticity, and service.

Website: <https://mankindproject.org/>

Promundo

Promundo is a global leader in promoting gender justice and preventing violence by engaging men and boys in partnership with women and girls. It believes that working with men and boys to transform harmful gender norms and unequal power dynamics is a critical part of the solution to achieving gender equality. For the empowerment of women and girls to continue advancing, men and boys must see themselves as allies in the process. Men and boys also benefit when harmful norms are challenged. Promundo conducts research, implements programs, and conducts advocacy efforts to reach this goal. Their efforts and research like for example the International Men And Gender Equality Survey (IMAGES) indicate that promoting healthy masculinity (or positive notions of “what it means to be a man”) and femininity (or “what it means to be a woman”) leads to improvements in men’s own lives, and in the lives of women and girls.

Website: <https://promundoglobal.org/>

Plan International

As part of its Global Strategy 2017-2020 Plan International has integrated a gender transformative approach throughout its programmes, which still focus mainly on the girl child. For Plan International gender transformative programming aim to transform unequal gender power relations. It requires working with individual girls and boys, their families and communities, and social and political institutions. Within Plan’s mandate the goal is to bring about significant and sustainable change not just in girls themselves, but also in the external barriers that prevent girls from realizing their rights. It goes beyond improving the condition of women and girls – it seeks for them to fully realize all their rights and for societies to value both genders equally. Champions of Change is a key intervention for Plan International to achieve this agenda in which it addresses gender norms of boys and girls taking in account their differential developmental pathways.

Website: <https://plan-international.org/publications/gender-transformative-child-protection-annotated-bibliography>

Sonke Gender Justice

Sonke Gender Justice is a non-partisan, non-profit organisation, established in 2006. Today, Sonke has established a growing presence on the African continent and plays an active role internationally. Sonke works to create the change necessary for men, women, young people and children to enjoy equitable, healthy and happy relationships that contribute to the development of just and democratic societies. Sonke pursues this goal across Southern Africa by using a human rights framework to build the capacity of government, civil society organisations and citizens to achieve gender equality, prevent gender-based violence and reduce the spread of HIV and the impact of AIDS.

Website: <https://genderjustice.org.za/>

Agenda GTA Events and Debates

Event	Location	Organisation(s)	Date
Breakfast meeting GTA – Launch Rutgers Toolkit	ICFP, Kigali	Rutgers	13 Nov 2018
Gender Transformative Programming: Debating - critical reflection on gender transformative programming	ICFP, Kigali	Rutgers, John Hopkins, WHO	11 Nov 2018
Workshop Are you from Mars or Venus – Where is Planet Earth?	World Aids Day	Rutgers, Aidsfonds	23 Nov 2018
Historicising Masculinities	Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom	School of History, Classics and Archaeology, Newcastle University	2 July 2019 – 4 July 2019
Annual Men and Masculinities Conference	Brandon University, Brandon, Canada	Brandon University	11 April 2019 – 13 April 2019