# **HOW TO WORK WITH OTHERS**

Girls Get Equal runs on the power of collective action of diverse, girland youth-led movements for gender equality!

Based on the stakeholders you've already identified for your Girls Get Equal campaign above, you can think about how you might create alliances or partnerships with those who share your vision or goals.

Collaboration, networking and a large supporter base increases your chances of achieving your campaigning objective.

#### **REASONS TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER**

- Share skills, resources, knowledge and experience from diverse people. They may have something you need and you may have something to offer them.
- Pool your financial and human resources.
- Reduces chances of duplication or competition in your local context.
- Safety and strength in numbers.
- Enhances the credibly and power of your Girls Get Equal campaign.

## WHO CAN YOU PARTNER WITH?

Depending on your context and goals, strategic collaborations could be with peer youth groups or organisations, civil society organisations, local or national governments, local or national NGOs, UN bodies or even private businesses.

#### **IDENTIFY YOUR ALLIES**

Do some research on other groups, networks and/or organisations who share you vision and campaign goal. Reach out (if it is feasible and safe to do so) and decide how best to work together!

- HOW TO MAP YOUR NETWORKS (AND POTENTIAL COLLABORATION INITIATIVES)

- GENERAL ADVICE ON BUILDING ALLIANCES AND PARTNERSHIPS
- SOME ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

### **HOW** CAN YOU PARTNER WITH THEM?

Plan International's toolkit for Diverse and Empowered Girls provides some helpful activities on this!

FRIDA's Resource Mobilisation Toolkit for Girls, Young Women and Trans Youth has activities for:

- Understanding relationships, patters and distribution of resources
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AEMBER No matter who you partner with, it is very important to set clear and defined roles and responsibilities between you and your partner(s) at the start! Who will be responsible for doing what and by when? Make sure you document this in a written agreement (this can be as simple as an e-mail or a 1-page paper).



### **OTHER TOOLS**

- Want to join the International Feminist Network? https://feministnetworkproject.wordpress.com/
- Plan International's How to Network Safely
- Go to pages 11-14 for 7 Key Steps for Managing Partnerships
- Let your local Plan International office know about your Girls Get Equal campaign: https://planinternational.org/where-we-work
- Go to page 67 in the Girls Advocacy Alliance Toolkit



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