

*“The liberation of the earth, the liberation of women, the liberation of all humanity is the next step of freedom we need to work for, and it’s the next step of peace that we need to create.” Vandana Shiva*

## ***"Stille Post 25/11x365: Orange the world"*** statement

in contribution to  
International **Human Rights Day** on the last day of the **UN Women 16 Days of Activism** with an  
open-end message

**Orange Feather Initiative** has been created and started in 2021  
with the aim to promote the **365 days and nights of awareness, attention and action** against gender-based violence, hate speech and cyberbullying, identified as the most urgent social concerns at cross-generational, global scale,  
by investing into Orange economy, creating promotional design, providing educational sessions for the development of skills and competences in communication & media literacy, including gender perspective into all aspects of our knowledge flow and action.

Gender Equality is an integral part of international human rights law by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which was adopted by the UN General Assembly on 10 December 1948.  
As such, gender-based violence is a human rights violation that threatens the first article of the UN’s Universal Declaration of Human Rights: **“All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights.” GBV also threatens other fundamental human rights, including the rights to life, liberty, and the security of person; safety from torture or cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment; equality before the law; and freedom of movement.**

**Drawing** on facts that in 2022, we are confronted with raising violence, in particular with gender-based violence in diverse forms, such as femicide, generational violence, structural violence, cyberbullying, next to the wars and climate-change based natural and human disasters worldwide, **stressing** the urgency to unite diverse situated knowledges and capacities, span boundaries, connect and unify in preventing further damages, think critically, act for greater purposes beyond own interests, share resources and co-create novel opportunities for our common prosperity  
for now, & then,

support governments and policy makers in their endeavors toward transition and implementation of rules which will ensure more protection of human rights at equal scale, by shared responsibilities and opportunities;

**following** the guidelines set by United Nations Agenda 2030 and the 17 sustainable development goals which are grounded in the perception of necessity to act now and stop causing further damages in human relations and relations of humans toward nature and environments, exploitation of resources all kind, shift our perceptions and actions toward more just and peaceful life together on this planet  
and beyond,

**We, the ACD team and partners**, are calling individuals, communities, organisations, corporations, media, and governments, all parts of diverse societies to engage in, and contribute by all their capacities to the improvement of practices, starting by self, and supporting our next in their endeavors.

The **Silent Post 25/11x365 of the Orange Feather Initiative**, which has been awarded in Mai 2022 with the Austrian SDG Award by the Austrian Senat Wirtschaft, has been presented through activities in Austria, Europe, and worldwide

*shedding light in Orange, for Orange the World message and initiative.*

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