

Chile: Marjorie Agosin is the author of two volumes of poetry, has published several articles dealing with contemporary Latin American women writers, and is an assistant professor of Latin American literature at Wellesley College in Massachusetts.

China: Xiao Lu (a pseudonym) was born in China in 1939. She is a professor at a major university.

Columbia: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Cuba: La Silenciada ("The Silenced One") is an artist who actively participated in the 1959 revolution, and "an author whose desire for freedom of expression coincides with that of Rosa Luxemburg -- who argued with Lenin on this matter".

Denmark: Tinne Vammen is a historian and is currently a member of the editorial board of Kvinder.

Ecuador: Carola Borja is a member of the Women's Action Group of the United Nations Development Program and a contributor to an analytical paper for a report on the Status of Women in UNDP/UNFPA.

Egypt: Nawal El Saadawi is a medical doctor, novelist, and non-fiction writer on Arab women's struggle for liberation. In 1972 she lost her post in the Egyptian Ministry of Health, and in 1981 was imprisoned in Cairo because of her writings.

El Salvador: A collective statement by AMES (Association of Salvadoran Women).

Finland: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

France: Simone de Beauvoir was one of the founders of French existentialism and has published philosophical writings (essays and books) as well as authoring novels, memoirs, and political works. A political activist as well as theorist all her life, she is a founder of numerous French feminist organizations including Choisir, Ligue du droit des femmes, the newspaper Nouvelles Femministes, and the journal Questions Femnistes.

Germany (East): Irmtraud Morgner lives in East Berlin and has written four novels. She is published by Aufbau-Verlag in East Germany and by Luchterhand in West Germany.

Germany (West): Dr. Renate Berger is an art historian living in Hamburg. Her doctoral thesis was "Women Artists on Their Way into the Twentieth Century: Art History as Social History".

Ingrid Kolb is a journalist living in Hamburg, working for the magazine Stern. The series she wrote for it, "The Myth of Sexual Liberation", has since appeared as a book.

Marielouise Janssen-Jurreit was editor of and reporter for the German magazine Twen and a correspondent on the war in Vietnam. Her book Sexism was published in 1976 (US edition: Sexism, New York: Farrar, Strauss & Giroux, 1981).

Ghana: Ama Ata Aidoo's publications include The Dilemma of a Ghost, a play, No Sweetness Here, a collection of short stories, Our Sister Killjoy or Reflection From a Blackeyed Squint, fiction in four episodes (Harlow: Longman). She has also published other short stories, poems, reviews, and critical essays in many anthologies and journals.

Greece: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Guatemala: Stella Quan has lived in Mexico since 1963, when she had to emigrate from Guatemala. She is an anthropologist. In January of 1980 she, and other Latin American women, founded AIMUR (International Agrupation of Women Against Repression in Guatemala).

Hungary: Suzanne Kőrösi was born in Budapest. She took part in a 1973 campaign organized by women to defend reproductive freedom in Hungary; for this activity she was excluded "forever from all universities of Hungary" and prevented from working in her profession. She is now a free-lance journalist and translator based in Paris.

India: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Indonesia: Titi Sumbung has practiced law, worked as a government civil servant, was involved in drafting the Marriage Act, was a member of the Advisory Board to the National Family Planning Coordinating Board, and was on the Research Team on the Status of Women and Family Planning. Since 1967 she has been involved in the Indonesian women's movement.

Iran: Manhaz Afkhami is the founder of the Association of Iranian University Women and served as secretary-general of the Women's Organization of Iran from 1970 until the revolution of 1979. She was Minister of State for Women's Affairs from 1976 to 1978.

Ireland (s): Nell McCafferty helped found the Irishwomen's Liberation Movement. She has published two books, The Armagh Women and The Eyes of the Law.

Israel: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Italy: Paola Zaccaria was born in the South of Italy (Monopoli). While active in a small feminist group in her town, she graduated in foreign languages at the University of Bari, where she now teaches English literature and language.

Japan: Keiko Higuchi is author of a number of books, including Jobs Fit For Women, Bringing Up Girls, Women, You Have Only One Life, Toward Tomorrow's Women, and Dear Old Age: Aged Characters in Literary Works.

Kenya: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Korea (South): Soon Chan Park was born in 1898. In 1948 she founded the Korean National Women's Association and was elected its first president. She founded the first Korean women's newspaper and became its editor, and was elected to the National Assembly and was re-elected for two terms. On Monday, January 10, 1983, at age eighty-four, Soon Chan Park died in Seoul.

Kuwait: Noura Al-Falah teaches sociology at Kuwait University, focusing on the problems facing women, the distribution of the national income and the Kuwait social structure.

Lebanon: Rose Ghurayyib has published books on literary criticism and literary studies about contemporary Arab women poets. She currently edits Al-Raida, the newsletter of the Institute for Women's Studies in the Arab World.

Libya: Farida Allaghi was vice-chairperson in 1977 at the UN Committee on the Status of Women, and was the committee representative to the meetings of the Subcommittee on Human Rights in Geneva in 1978. A sociologist, she is also an active member of the preparatory committee for the Foundation of the Association of Arab Women Social Scientists.

Mexico: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Morocco: Fatima Mernissi studied political science and then sociology at Mohammad V University, where she taught from 1974 to 1980. She is currently a Researcher at the Centre Universitaire de Recherche Scientifique in Rabat. Her publications include a feminist classic -- Beyond the Veil.

Nepal: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

The Netherlands: Corrine Oudijk is a Dutch social scientist and social-feminist. Her report on the status of women in the Netherlands, called Social Atlas of Women 1983, was published in that year, and she has written articles and a musical play about feminism in the Dutch Socialist Movement from 1906 to 1980.

New Zealand: Ngahua Te Awekotuko was raised in the traditional Maori community of Ohinemuto and remains deeply involved in the political, cultural, and social concerns of the Maori world. She has also been active in contemporary feminism and has worked in Continuing Education and Re-entry Education Programs for Mature Women, focusing on Maori women.

Marilyn J. Waring: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Nicaragua: María Lourdes Centeño de Zelaya is a painter, "Promoter of Culture," and professor at Santa Rosa College. A founding member of the School for Fine Arts of the Autonomous National University of Nicaragua, she was departmental director for Leon for documentation and museums in the National Crusade for Literacy.

Nigeria: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Norway: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

The Pacific Islands: See Strategy Participants List.

Pakistan: Miriam Habib is a member of the All Pakistan's Women's Association, was a member of the Pakistan Women's Rights Committee and is on the Advisory Committee of the Pakistan Women's Institute. Among Pakistan's leading women journalists, two collections of her articles have been published.

Palestine: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Peru: Ana María Portugal is an active feminist, a writer and journalist, and is author of two books of poems. She is currently working on a book on the history of beauty contests in Peru during the past fifty years.

Poland: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Portugal: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Rumania: Elena Chiriac worked in Rumania for fifteen years as an architect. In 1981 she sought political asylum in West Germany, and she has become involved in the civil-rights movement as a political activist with IGFM/Frankfurt/Main, and in the Rumanian-German Democratic Circle.

Saudi Arabia: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Senegal: Marie-Angélique Savané is a Senegalese sociologist. She currently directs the UN Research Program on Nutritional Systems for Social Development. She is president of the Association of African Women for Research and Development (AAWORD).

South Africa: Motlalepula Chabaku is a "South African without citizenship by decree of the white South African government". She has been a schoolteacher, social worker, member of the Christian Institute of South Africa (now outlawed) and a founding member of the Black Women's Federation of South Africa (now outlawed). She is the national president of VOW (Voice of Women -- an outlawed multiracial women's organization), was a member of the African National Congress (ANC), and the ANC Women's league before it was declared illegal.

Spain: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Sri Lanka: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Sudan: Amna Elsadik Badri is a lecturer in economics and management at the Ahfad University College for Women in Omdurman. She has been working on an integrated training program for rural women which is implemented by the Babiker Bedri Scientific Association for Women's Studies and is also developing a training manual on population education for rural women.

Sweden: Dr. Rita Liljeström works with the department of sociology, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. She has written several books on gender, sexuality, and childhood in changing societies.

Thailand: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

U.S.S.R.: Tatyana Mamonova studied to be a pharmacist but was drawn to the arts -- especially poetry and painting. Since her forced exile in 1980, as punishment for having edited the first feminist samizdat journal in the U.S.S.R., she has been living in Paris.

The United Nations: Claire de Heaervary: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

The United States: Rayna Green is a writer, scholar, and political activist, currently a visiting scholar at the Smithsonian Institution. An American Indian from the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, she works with tribes and Third World countries in development and writes on Native women, American culture, indigenous science, technology, and medicine.

Venezuela: Giovanna Merola R. is a Venezuelan biologist who has done post-graduate studies in ecology and the management of natural resources. She is currently professor on the faculty of architecture and urban studies of the Universidad Central de Venezuela in Caracas. She was a member of the Movimiento Hacia la Nueva Mujer, a founding member of La Conjura, and a founding member of Miércoles.

Vietnam: Nguyen Thi Dinh is president of the Vietnam Women's Union. She was a

guerilla in the South, active with "the Long-Haired Army", and served as a general of the People's Liberation Forces.

Yugoslavia: Rada Iveković is Senior Lecturer in Women's Studies and in the Sociology of Religion at Zagreb University, author of numerous books (on philosophy and religion, Third World culture and politics in interaction with Eastern European countries, and the subject of the Gypsy communities in Yugoslavia), and is co-founder of the first contemporary feminist group in Yugoslavia.

Slavenka Drakulić-Ilić: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Zambia: See Strategy Meeting Participants List.

Zimbabwe: Olivia N. Muchena has done extensive research and published many works on women and rural development within Zimbabwe. She is the president of the YWCA of Zimbabwe, past president of the Zimbabwe Association of University Women, a member of AAWORD, and a lecturer in research methods and philosophical foundations of adult education.

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