Emerging issue: Harnessing COVID-19 recovery for gender equality and a sustainable future
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Speakers’ bios

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Sherilyn MacGregor is a professor in environmental politics at the University of Manchester. She specialises in the relationships between environmental (un)sustainability and social inequality, applying insights from ecofeminist and other critical political theories. Current research projects include: ‘centering care work in climate action’ (funded by Oxfam America); towards a feminist Green New Deal for the UK (funded the Women’s Budget Group); and ‘towards inclusive environmental sustainabilities’ (funded by the Leverhulme Trust). She is an Editor of Environmental Politics. @dr_smacgregor

Papa Seck is Chief of the Research & Data Section at UN Women. Since joining UN Women in 2009, he has led statistics and data work and has also contributed to the research work of UN Women more broadly, including co-authoring two editions of Progress of the World’s Women. He is currently leading the implementation of UN Women’s flagship programme initiative on gender statistics: Making Every Woman and Girl Count, to improve the production and use of gender-relevant statistics and to help countries systematically monitor the Sustainable Development Goals form a gender perspective.