

Panel

Panel: Gender-based violence (GBV) is a significant global health and human rights issue, affecting one in three women globally

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Abstract

Gender-based violence (GBV) is a significant global health and human rights issue, affecting one in three women globally. This panel will explore the relationships between GBV, territories and environmental change and present counter responses to violence from indigenous and social movements.

Deeply entrenched historical social, political, economic and institutional inequalities, fed by histories of colonialism, have led to the use of varied and interconnected forms of violence among human-environmental relationships within any given 'territory'. These structural violences based on power inequalities exist on a 'continuum' that both exacerbates and is exacerbated by interpersonal/intergenerational violence including lack of bodily autonomy and political threats to environmental leaders and local defenders, especially women.