



# WIKI LOVES WOMEN



# #GENDERGAP

Wiki Loves Women is a global project dedicated to bridging the gender gap on Wikipedia and other Wikimedia projects by increasing contributions from and content about historically marginalized women.

In very different ways, each Wiki Loves Women initiative celebrates the achievements of inspirational and successful women and makes them visible and accessible to a global readership. Inclusivity and diversity are only sustainable by ensuring gender balance among the leadership of Wikimedia communities. A gender-equal leadership will, in turn, motivate individuals to make high-quality contributions to the Wikimedia projects about women's achievements, history, and culture. Thus, Wiki Loves Women initiates drives that motivate women to be involved in the Wikimedia movement. It also trains and mentors Wikimedians in the leadership and organisational skills needed to lead their communities.

Tags: Women, Gender Equity, Gender Gap, Women Voices, Wikiquote, WikiWomen, Female Leadership, Capacity Building, Visible WikiWomen, Media Representation

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## Wiki Loves Women – Developing Wikimedia Leaders

Since its launch in 2016, Wiki Loves Women has developed the skills needed by Africa's Wikimedia leaders, both male and female, to build their own communities around the subject of gender equity and women's knowledge.

Supported by the Goethe Institut, the project focused on building national leaders and communities in 6 countries through an intense activity-oriented program.

Learn more on *Meta*: [Wiki Loves Women](#)



In 2020, the in-country focus transformed into an online all-women **Focus Group**, comprised in 2023 of **18 women leaders** from **9 African countries** (and France!).

Through monthly Working Sessions and online engagement, the Focus Group supports a practical, action-oriented, and mentored process to transfer the skills and knowledge required explicitly for community leaders to create gender-equity programmes in their countries.

Learn more on *Meta*: [Wiki Loves Women/Focus Group](#)



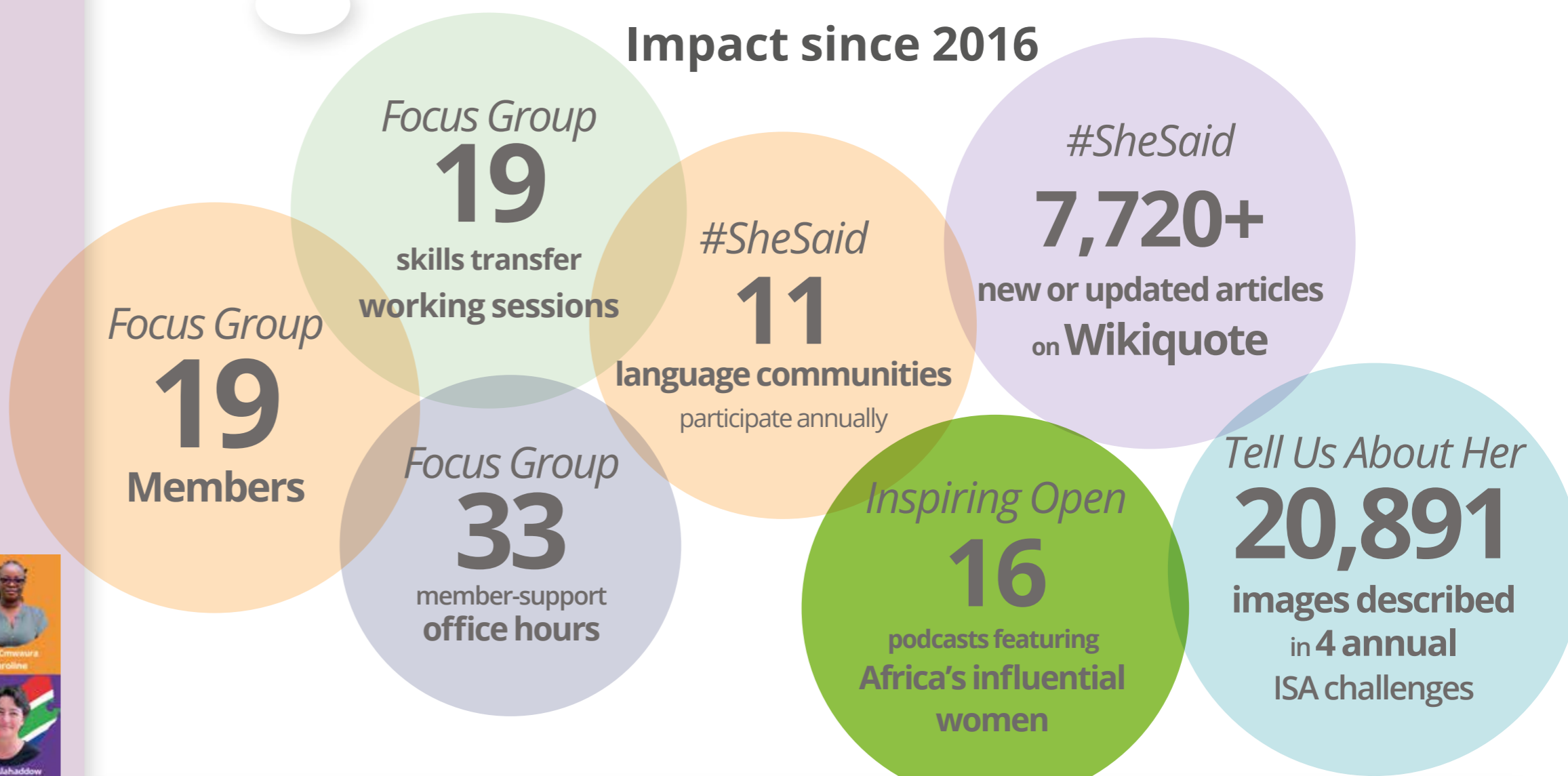
## SheSaid – Celebrating Women's Voices

Launched in 2020, SheSaid is an annual Wiki Loves Women drive on Wikiquote. Women's voices are often ignored and very rarely quoted. SheSaid is a global initiative that provides a more inclusive and diverse representation of women's experiences and perspectives by encouraging Wikimedia communities to add notable women's wise and inspiring words to Wikiquote.



The impact of #SheSaid campaign on Wikiquote has been truly remarkable across the last three editions. So far, #SheSaid has resulted in **7,721 new or updated Wikiquote articles** on women across **11 language Wikiquotes**. This success reflects the collective effort and dedication of the Wiki Loves Women initiative and the different participating communities in celebrating and increasing the visibility of women leaders.

Learn more on *Meta*: [Wiki Loves Women/SheSaid](#)



## Tell Us About Her – Visible Women

Tell Us About Her is an annual campaign on Wiki In Africa's ISA Tool that improves the captions and descriptions – and thus the 'searchability' – of photographs representing women uploaded to Wikimedia Commons. For four years during International Women's Month, women in different sectors are visibly celebrated: *Women on the Frontline Climate* (2023), *Women in Architecture* (2022), *Women At Work* (2021), and *African Women Politicians and Activists* (2020).

Learn more at *Commons:ISA Tool/Challenges*



## Inspiring Open podcast – Honouring Inspiring Women

Launched in 2022, *Inspiring Open* is a podcast that celebrates Africa's influential women whose careers and personal ethics intersect with the Open movement. Each of the **16 dynamic women** pushes Africa's boundaries by building communities and succeeding as a collective. The podcast gives these motivational leaders a voice.

The *Inspiring Open* podcast is available anytime, anywhere to amplify the motivational stories of each guest, spoken in their voice.

*Inspiring Open* podcast was possible due to the support of the Goethe-Institut's 2021 International Relief Fund.

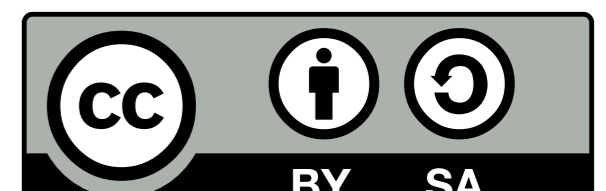
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