

Women's Organizations in Indonesia

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- ❖ *Aisyiyah* is a Muslim women's non-profit organization founded in 1917 by the wife of the founder of *Muhammadiyah*, the largest Islamic non-profit social and educational organization in Indonesia. Due to their shared interest in social welfare, the two organizations often work in partnership with each other. *Aisyiyah* addresses the rights of women while supplying access to education, health services, and social welfare. *Aisyiyah*'s projects include HIV/AIDS education, family planning, and religious education for the development of female religious leaders in Indonesia. <http://www.aisyiyah.or.id/>
- ❖ *The Indonesian Women's Coalition for Justice and Democracy* (KPI) was established by the Indonesian congress in December 1998. The congress selected a secretary general and 15 female representatives to its board, representing women from varying backgrounds: housewives, sex workers, lesbians, and indigenous women. KPI works to increase participation and representation of women in policy decisions on all levels. KPI has advocated for women's rights through legislation such as the Anti-Domestic Violence Law of 2004, the Anti-Trafficking Law in 2007 as well as the Political Package Law of 2007 which guarantees 30% of the seats in congress to women. KPI has been supportive of the National Alliance for Unity in Diversity which stands against fundamentalist teachings in Indonesia. KPI partners on behalf of LGBT organizations in Indonesia. <http://www.koalisiperempuan.or.id/>
- ❖ *The National Commission on Violence Against Women* (KP), founded in 1998 by President Habibie, promotes law and policy reform that focuses on protection for survivors of domestic violence. KP has established crises centers that offer medical and psychological counseling to survivors in multiple cities in Indonesia. KP has created a data identification system, library, and publications with information for domestic violence survivors. KP lobbies with other Indonesian NGOs for further protection of survivors and women's rights in Indonesia. <http://www.komnasperempuan.or.id/en/>
- ❖ *Women's Solidarity for Humanity and Human Rights* (SPEK-HAM) raises awareness about trafficking victims. They focus on girls and young women who are coaxed into domestic work and sent abroad to work as housemaids without having given their consent. Human Rights Watch estimates that 90% of trafficked domestic workers are Indonesian women¹. SPEK-HAM offers training and educational opportunities for women to learn about human-trafficking issues and how to prevent and mobilize other groups and organizations to help with the effort. <http://www.komnasperempuan.or.id/>

NOTE: This is simply a selection of organizations that were referenced by other Indonesian organizations.

¹ <http://www.humantrafficking.org/organizations/118>