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**WOMEN, DEVELOPMENT AND MICROCREDIT**  
**A STEP FORWARD, THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

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New York, May 2007

**May 14th 2007 - Evening**  
**07:00 pm - 08:00 pm**

**AWARD CEREMONY: ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ**

**Women Together Awards were created in the year 2000. With this award, the organization, Women Together, seeks to pay tribute to a group of women who share a dedication to stand out in their individual activities; a commitment to their work, and a devotion to making the world a better place. They are symbols, reflections and examples of the 21st century woman. Through their humanitarian efforts, these women have created hope for the future and a legacy for generations to come.**

**In this new edition, the Women Together Awards will be given to women that are involved in the Millennium Development Goals promoting peace, reconciliation, gender equality, fight against extreme poverty, encouraging education, art and culture.**

THE AWARDEES IN THIS 2nd EDITION WILL GO TO:

- **Shirin Ebadi:** Lawyer and Human Rights activist and founder of Children's right support Association in Iran. The first Iranian Muslim woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize 2003.
- **Isabel Estapé:** Economist, stock broker and Notary. First woman in the Royal Academy of Economic and Financial Science.
- **Yoko Ono:** Artist. Peace activist.
- **Vasundhara Raje:** The Chief Minister of Rajasthan, India
- **Rosa María Calaf:** Asia-Pacific correspondent for Spanish Television and promote social causes.
- **Francine Lefrak:** Socially involved businesswoman
- **Barbara Solomon:** Novelist, essayist and journalist.
- **Wangari Mataahi:** First African woman Nobel Peace Prize. Minister for Environment and natural Resources Kenya.

INSTITUTIONAL AWARDEES:

An important institution has also been chosen for their commitment to the millennium development goals. This has been achieved through the promotion of peace, reconciliation, women's development, fight against poverty and the promotion of education and culture:

- **«Santander Universidades» Group Santander:** For spreading their program in South America)
- **«Microcredit Summit Campaigning:** Dedicated to promote microcredit systems all over the world.