

My Contribution to the Conference on the Development of Mountain Regions



Photo with Members of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic at the conference on December 6

On December 6, 2023, I attended a conference on the development of mountain regions, which was organized by the Youth Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic in conjunction with the public fund Sharing is Caring in Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic. I gave a short speech lasting about ten minutes on the topic «Women's rights in mountainous regions». Although the topic of the conference was extensive, I decided to pay attention to this particular problem. As the Director General of FAO, Mr. Qu Dongyu, said, «Gender equality is central to the work of the Food and Agriculture Organization to achieve food security for all by improving nutrition,

improving agricultural productivity and natural resource management, as well as improving the life of agriculture.» Therefore, I believe in the need to strengthen support for women living in such regions by providing them with access to science, innovation, digitalization and technology.



Photo taken during my presentation at the conference

Representatives of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic, as well as representatives of various organizations, including UN Women in Kyrgyzstan, also spoke at this conference. During their presentation, I managed to learn a lot of interesting and important facts about mountain regions and their development, and I was also pleased to learn that the Second Global Mountain Summit will be held in Kyrgyzstan in 2027.

I would also like to note the contribution and support of my colleagues from Utah, in particular members of the Utah International Mountain Forum (UIMF), a coalition of student clubs at Utah Valley University and Professor Baktybek Abdrisayev, UIMF mentor for their motivation and assistance in promoting the development of the mountainous region.

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