Every AWID Forum planning involves an extensive engagement by an International Planning Committee (IPC). This time, the 2016 Forum IPC is even more diverse and representative of the movements AWID aspires to convene. AWID is deeply grateful for the key contributions, support and amazing commitment of the members of the 2016 AWID Forum IPC. Thank you!
FINALLY!
WELCOME TO
THE 13TH AWID
INTERNATIONAL
FORUM!

We are so excited that you have joined us here in Bahia at this very important but challenging moment for Brazil and the whole region that is hosting us this time.

What brings us together?
We’re all facing an increasingly complex and polarized world filled with violence and inequality. But thanks to the efforts of our movement, it’s also a moment of key openings and opportunities.

The next four days provide a space to regroup, not only as feminists and women’s rights advocates, but also with allies from other social movements that will be joining us here. Together we can build on our collective experience and figure out new ways to work together to co-create feminist futures.

What are we here to do?
We’re here to jointly respond to the current moment and make the world we need happen. Let’s learn from our differences and struggles and work across our various movements and sectors. Like the Forum imagery, let’s come together, join hands in all our multiple diversities, and weave something new and beautiful.

Let’s celebrate our survival and the fact that we’re here, that we continue to resist and achieve important gains, and that in spite of the very real challenges we face, we remain committed to this journey.

Our hope for the Forum
We hope the Forum experience reenergizes you, helps you connect with activists from all over the globe, and provides you with the opportunity to learn from people whose life experiences are different from yours.

We hope you will leave both inspired and challenged to do things differently. We hope you will have found new allies and partners to work with in strategic and creative ways.

What we ask of you
While you’re here, we urge you to venture outside your “comfort zone” and open your mind and heart to new ideas, forms of interaction and expression, new language and concepts, different ways of seeing the world, new alliances, strategies and friendships.

We hope that the rich and exciting program we worked hard with so many to put together will inspire you to take advantage of every opportunity to make the best of the amazing group of passionate activists and allies from many corners of the world.

Abraços,

Lydia Alpízar Durán
Executive Director

Myrna Cunningham Kain
President of the Board
LET’S MAKE THIS A SAFE AND WELCOMING SPACE TOGETHER

More than 1,500 participants are converging here to spend several intense days together. Collectively we represent diverse communities and movements from over 140 countries.

Many of us have been to international events like this before, while for some it’s the first time traveling outside our country or region.

Most of us identify as feminists, while for some this may be the first time attending an explicitly feminist event.

What we all have in common is that we are working to create a more just, sustainable and peaceful world for all.

Because of that, HOW we share this space and all it provides and how we relate with each other is as important to advancing our goals as WHAT we talk about.

While we at AWID have taken care to create a welcoming, safe and accessible space, we ask that everyone assume individual and collective responsibility to ensure an atmosphere of mutual respect and solidarity among participants and with hotel staff.

We invite participants to act according to the following principles:

Interact and engage peacefully. Differences in opinion will naturally arise, so please think of these differences as useful for expanding your thinking and ways of seeing the world.

Help build a space that recognizes and validates the multiple lived experiences. Remain mindful of each other’s physical and emotional boundaries.

Use inclusive language. Be respectful of how people want to be referred to in terms of gender identity or expression (like pronouns), and practice inclusive language as often as you can. We encourage you to step outside the gender binary zone.

Listen and make adjustments in your behavior if someone says they feel uncomfortable. Don’t ask others questions that you wouldn’t want to be asked yourself.

Challenge oppressive behavior, which includes harassment, verbal or physical violence, violation of consent, and any action that perpetuates classism, ageism, ableism, racism, misogyny, heterosexism, transphobia and other oppressions.

Practice self-awareness. Be aware of how much time and space you are taking up.

Remember that “no” is no. Without having to explain why.

Respect and recognize diversity of bodies and gender expressions. Recognize that we all carry intersectional identities.

Be friendly and reach out. It’s easy to feel lost and alone at a big event like this, and a little friendliness goes a long way.

Speak and listen with an open mind and heart and without judgement.

Be honest and heartfelt in conversations and debates.

Open yourself to different ways of using the space, like access to bathrooms for all genders, accessibility to different spaces for people with different abilities, etc.
AWID’s values and principles

Some of the concepts that reflect our aspirations and guide our work, and that we extend to the Forum space are:

Diversity:
Forum participants are diverse. This time the Forum convenes representatives of multiple movements coming together, not all of them have women’s rights or gender justice at the core of their mandates. We believe in sharing the space and working together in a way that promotes inclusion, respect, and learning from each other’s diverse realities, identities and conditions.

Human rights:
We work towards the full respect, protection, and promotion of human rights and against fundamentalisms of all sorts that threaten these rights. We consider that human rights are indivisible, interdependent, inalienable, and universal.

Autonomy:
We champion a person’s right to choose their identities, relationships, goals, dreams, and what they want to do with their mind, body, and spirit.

Cooperation:
We work towards a world based on social, environmental, and economic justice; and interdependence, solidarity, and respect rather than competition, market domination, commodification, and exploitation of people and nature.

Responsibility:
In all of our work, we will strive for transparency, responsible use of resources, fairness in our relations, accountability and integrity.

The challenge of putting it all into practice

While celebrating diversity is something we all strive to do, no doubt many of us will, at some point, find ourselves in a situation that makes us feel threatened, uncomfortable, or even shocked. Let’s acknowledge that, learn from it, and work from there.

Building Feminist Futures
It begins with us and how we treat each other.

Enjoy the space and take advantage of the amazing collective wisdom and diversity of the participants at the Forum!

Safety & Welcoming Committee

There will be a Safety & Welcoming Committee to support participants in navigating the complexities of sharing a very diverse space. Committee members will be easily identifiable with armbands. Please feel free to look for them at any time for support, guidance, questions you don’t feel comfortable asking anyone else or to intervene in a situation that you feel is going against the Forum principles.

Please note:

AWID reserves the right to ask a Forum participant to leave the Forum space based on discriminatory or disruptive behavior.

Session facilitators and speakers are encouraged to ask disruptive participants who are not respecting the above spirit of engagement to leave their sessions.
**NAVIGATING THE FORUM**

*Important Information for all participants*

**Use the Forum App** to keep up-to-date on new activities & schedule changes

**See map** at the end of the program for location information

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**AWID Information Desks** in hotel lobbies | 8:00 - 18:30

**Staff is here to help:** Please feel free to approach folks with name tags that identify them as AWID staff or Local staff, or who are wearing a VOLUNTEER t-shirt.

**Accessibility Support and Wheelchairs:**
Participants with disabilities will find support for their different needs at the Information Desks. Participants who requested wheelchairs on-site can collect their wheelchairs at the AWID Information Desks.

**AWID Membership Desk & Space:** Ala Mar lobby | Open 8:00 - 18:30

**Internal shuttle buses** will be operating continuously between the different hotels and session locations.

**Meals during the Forum:** Please eat breakfast, lunch and dinner at the restaurant in your hotel.

**Exhibit Area - Ala Terra Foyer das Colunas:** Check out the publications, resources, handicrafts and textiles being offered by publishers, organizations, networks, and funders.

**Shops and services:** Vila Nova de Praia (on map) offers services and shops where you can buy gifts and keepsakes.

**Registration | Hotels | Tours | Transport | Travel Desks**
Open in hotel lobbies: Sept 7: 12:00-21:00 | Sept 8-9-10: 7:30 - 18:00 | Sept 11: 7:30-16:00

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**Presenters Preview Room**
If you are a session presenter, please check in at Santo Amaro 3, Ala Terra immediately after registering to submit your presentations.
You will be able to test your session presentation and submit any changes up to four (4) hours before your session.
Additional copies of the Guidelines for Presenters and Guidelines for Session Organizers (emailed in advance of the Forum) are available.

**Languages:**
**Interpretation and headsets**
This is a multilingual Forum. Simultaneous interpretation in Portuguese, English, Spanish, French, Arabic and Russian in as many sessions as possible – see schedule.
Participants must pick up interpretation headsets at the Registration desk in the lobby of your hotel at the start of each day, and return them at the end of each day for battery re-charging. You must leave a piece of identification in order to receive a headset.

**Bathrooms**
Important bathroom info on page 51.

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**Name tags... and why they’re important**
Wear your name tag at all times. It’s proof you are registered for the Forum. If you’re not wearing your name tag, you may be refused admittance into Forum sessions.

Please fill in the pronoun by which you want people to call you: she, he, it, s/he, they, ze, sie... or anything else you might be using, or want to start using from now on!

Please fill it in even if you feel 100% sure that no one would ever ‘mistake’ you for another gender.
And take a moment to think about when and how you decided that this is the pronoun that best suits you – even if this is the first time you’ve ever thought about it all!
USINGFUL FORUM TOOLS

OFFICIAL AWID FORUM APP
For your smartphone | tablet | laptop
See full program and schedule
Create your own personalized schedule
Connect with other participants
Find sessions, activities and other participants based on interest tags
Get scheduling and other updates in real time during the Forum

Haven’t downloaded/registered for the App yet?
All registered participants received a personal invitation by email to register. Look for it in your inbox and follow the instructions.

Calling all feminist activists, social movements, and global networks!

MANIFESTA

A new digital platform has the tools we need to organize our own actions, connect with others, and build powerful local and global communities.

MANIFESTA facilitates both online and on-the-ground organizing to leverage our collective power for concrete change.

Here at the Forum:
- Learn about MANIFESTA
- Find us in the Sustaining Our Activism/WHRD and FIX Hubs
- Participate in demos and trainings in English, Spanish and French
- Launch a new initiative
- Amplify an existing one

MANIFESTA.net
Watch the video in the Forum App

MANIFESTA has been incubated by:
AWID • APC Women’s Program • Catapult • Global Fund for Women • International Network of Women’s Funds • Mama Cash
Ana Criquillion - Strategic Coordinator • Designed and built by Maz Kessler
WHO IS AWID?

The Association for Women’s Rights in Development (AWID) is a global, women’s rights, feminist membership organization.

For over 30 years we have been part of the incredible ecosystem of women’s rights movements worldwide, and we are constantly learning and evolving in response to a challenging context.

Our vision
A world where human rights and freedoms, environmental sustainability and gender justice are a lived reality for all people and for the planet.

Our mission
To be a driving force within the global community of feminist and women’s rights movements, strengthening our collective voice, influencing and transforming structures of power and decision-making to achieve our vision.

At the heart of all our work is collaboration
We see our role as:

Building knowledge from a feminist perspective and putting new ideas on the table for a more just development agenda

Convening and facilitating constructive spaces for our members and other diverse women’s rights organizations and allies to strategize and collaborate

Participating in international spaces to advocate and present concrete policy proposals for women’s rights worldwide

Mobilizing our members and constituencies to strengthen collective action

Providing a trusted multilingual clearinghouse for the latest information and analysis on women’s rights worldwide
ESPECIALLY FOR AWID MEMBERS...
...and those of you who would like to join. :-)
ARTS & CULTURE AT THE FORUM

Art and cultural expression inspire, educate, and spur our collective imaginations and are fundamental tools for political organizing and social transformation.

This year’s Forum brings together an incredible group of artivists from around the world. Individually and collectively they will help create a beautiful space that will stimulate your senses, touch your hearts and minds, and inspire and engage.

To see trailers of the films and to get to know the artists and their art, check out awidfeministfutures.tumblr.com in “Easy Links” in the App.
Adventures with art and performance: Sex workers of Empower Thailand
ArtAct: Using art and creativity as a tool within activism
Artivism for young people: Building bridges between art, activism, SOGI, and feminism
BLACK INFINITY – exhibit
Brilliant and Resilient - exhibit
Disability, sexuality and rights (film Margarita with a Straw - India)
Documentary - Daughter of the Lagoon
Not your rescue project: Film and performance from the sex worker rights revolution, our reality, visions and collective power
Our daily Ginga: Women capoeiristas and their struggles in the context of modern feminism
Photo exhibition: Realising women’s human rights in the Pacific Proudly African and Transgender - exhibit

Publication, activism and art
Select Pieces by Mimi Cherono Ng’ok - exhibit
Select Pieces by Sabriya Simon - exhibit
Shadeism: Digging Deeper: Exploring film as a tool for resistance, healing justice, and solidarity-building amongst women
Silent Tears – exhibit
Spirit Desire: Resistance, Imagination and Sacred Memories in Haitian Vodoun - exhibit
The Theatre of the Oppressed Project: Race, gender and sexuality
The Vagina Riot
Women on the frontlines: Women Human Rights Defenders in the Middle East, North Africa and Asia confronting extremism (film Trials of Spring)

Film screenings See schedule and App for times and location

The Art of Ama Ata Aidoo explores the artistic contribution of one of Africa’s foremost woman writers, a trailblazer for an entire generation of exciting new talent.
The Summer of Gods is about a young girl named Lili who unites with her Afro-Brazilian religious ancestry on a summer visit with family to their ancestral village in rural Brazil.
The House on Coco Road documents the story of activist and teacher Fannie Haughton’s move to the island nation of Grenada to participate in an Afro-centric revolution.
Trials of Spring is the story of a young Egyptian woman who travels from her village to Cairo to add her voice to the tens of thousands of Egyptians demanding an end to 60 years of military rule.

Activist-Led Artivism Hub
Envisioning change through art & creative expression
A global showcase of feminist art
The daily plenary sessions are the one place where all Forum participants come together in the same room.

Each day these two-hour sessions will focus on critical, multi-issue and cross-movement themes. We invite participants to think and

Opening Plenary Our Current Realities

Thursday Sept 8 | 9:00-11:00 | Arena Sauípe

We will open the Forum with an invitation for us all to collectively celebrate our victories, acknowledge our wounds, and co-create the futures we aspire to. Situating ourselves in the current moment, we will examine the complex realities in which struggles for rights and justice are now taking place. We will build collective analysis of key issues and trends from diverse social movements and sectors. We will explore the old and new threats to rights and justice and how they are changing, consolidating, or expanding.

This plenary will provide a contextual platform from which we can co-create new visions for the future.

FACILITATION:
Sonia Correa, Co-Chair of Sexuality Policy Watch | Research Associate at ABIA

SPEAKERS:
Azra Causevic, Okvir
Miriam Miranda, Black Fraternal Organization of Honduras
Noelene Nabulivou, DIVA for Equality
Yara Sallam, Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights
Joe Wong, Asia Pacific Transgender Network

Plenary 2 Experiences of Solidarity, Resistance & Creative Disruptions

Friday Sept 9 | 9:00-11:00 | Arena Sauípe

This session will offer a space to expand our notions beyond current framings and move us towards a radical transformation of our own thinking. We will feature inspiring examples of ‘creative resistance and disruption’ from different movements and cross-movement collaborations that are having significant impact in the current context.

We will also discuss the ‘elephants in the room’ – untold stories of how and why different movements did not work well together, and the common challenges to building solidarity.

We will collectively ponder what we can learn from our accumulated experience, and what it means for our future struggles.

FACILITATION:
Vini (Rajyasvini) Bhansali, International Development Exchange
Hakima Abbas, AWID

SPEAKERS:
Alicia Garza, National Domestic Workers Alliance | Black Lives Matter
Khouloud Mahdhaoui, Chouf
Daughtie Ogutu, African Sex Workers Alliance
Anna Gabriel i Sabaté, CUP
Yasmin Thaynã, Coletivo Nuvem Negra | PUC Rio
Arelis Uriana, Org. Nac. Indígena de Colombia | Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas
Las Reinas Chulas, feminist cabaret troupe
frame questions and engage in debate and discussion with the diverse movements represented.

Expanding beyond “expert panels”, these plenary sessions incorporate various ways of participating, with creative and artistic surprises to excite and inspire!

Plenary 3 Co-Creating New Futures

Saturday Sept 10 | 9:00-11:00 | Arena Sauípe

The intention of this session is to build on the momentum and move ourselves beyond resistance towards co-creating shared visions for a NEW reality that we can build with our collective power. What will it take? Who will it take? How will it be done?

Participants will be encouraged to dream big, and dream together! It will reinforce the call for joining hands across our diverse struggles, sharing energies, and strengthening our collective power, but also stress the need to more clearly articulate what we are for—not just what we are against— in order to envision and realize a different—and feminist— future.

Closing Plenary Key Forum Insights & Feminist Visions for the Future

Sunday Sept 11 | 14:00-16:00 | Arena Sauípe

The closing session will take stock of the Forum’s journey and insights, give thanks to all involved, and offer space to highlight key outcomes, including joint actions, deepened collaborations and new initiatives created or launched at the Forum.

We will celebrate our community, and consolidate the ideas, inspiration and energy that will pave the way for collective action to co-create Feminist Futures.

Rally in solidarity with Brazilian movements

Support democracy, justice and human rights in Brazil!

Shuttles will take Forum participants to Itapuá.
Through the influence of feminist and other social justice movements, our understanding of “democracy” has evolved. More than a system of governance, democracy is a framework guiding human relationships and practices in a wide range of institutions, including in the private sphere. However, in recent years, democratic spaces and human rights norms have been rapidly eroded through a variety of economic, social and political processes.

This session will explore how to reclaim these shrinking democratic spaces and claim new ones.
These sessions will provide a much-needed space to dialogue about how to build alliances for cross-movement engagement on key issues. This will enable us to advance new shared visions, strengthen cross-movement solidarity and frame collective action agendas beyond the Forum.

State of our Feminist Movements
Organized by: AWID and members of the Forum International Planning Committee

Saturday Sept 10 | 14:30-18:00 | Bahia 1

The enormous gains in women’s rights and gender justice over the past few decades often get overshadowed by the current backlash against them. Ironically, the backlash itself is a testimony to the progress achieved by diverse women’s rights and feminist movements globally. The past decade has seen major shifts in strength, organizing capacity and strategies, and diversity among feminist movements across regions.

This strategizing session will offer a space to assess the current state of feminist organizing in all its diversity and nuances. It will encourage us to step back and think together about what types of organizing, organizational structures, and movement building strategies are currently needed to effectively respond to challenges and opportunities ahead of us.

Bodily Integrity and Freedoms
ORGANIZED BY: Coalition for African Lesbians (CAL), CREA, RESURJ, and AWID

Sunday Sept 11 | 9:00-12:30 | Bahia 1

The body today is a reimagined artifact. It is a major site of our contestations, lived realities, and identities. Through feminist and queer movements we have reclaimed the body in all its possibilities of expression, and made important strides on numerous issues around bodily integrity and freedom, including sexual and reproductive rights and the right to freely express one’s sexual and gender identity. However, the backlash is severe, with control and ownership of the body claimed by extremist and conservative forces in all societies.

Given the seriousness of these threats, it is vital to bridge disconnected struggles, identities, and contexts. This is a space for a diversity of actors addressing the myriad forms of attack on our bodies to share alternatives, visions and responses.
These strategic sessions are designed to promote concrete cross-movement solidarity and joint action. Organizations and movements leading some existing initiatives and campaigns will utilize the AWID Forum to garner support from and engagement with other movements to strengthen, promote, and advance these actions.

**Depathologization: A struggle for all**
**Organized by:** Global Action for Trans* Equality (GATE)

**Thursday Sept 8 | 14:30-18:00 | Bahia 2**

All around the world many people share the experience of having their bodies, their gender identities and expressions of their sexualities classified as mental or physical disorders. This classification not only pathologizes them; it also promotes and justifies gross human rights violations against them, including unnecessary “normalizing” surgeries in infancy and “reparative” therapies in childhood.

We are at a historical moment to turn the tide and to work together to depathologize our shared future. Join us to affirm depathologization as a feminist issue. Come to defend bodily, gender and sexual diversity worldwide.

**SPEAKERS:**
- Paula Machado, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul
- Viviane Vergueiro Simakawam, Gruppo Cultura e Sexualidade de la Universidade Federal da Bahia
- Laura Contrera, National University of La Matanza (UnLaM)
- Vreer Verkerke, Principle 17
- Morgan Carpenter, Intersex Day Project, Organisation Intersex International Australia

**Building alliances to end gender-based violence in the world of work**
**Organized by:** International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) and Solidarity Center

**Friday Sept 9 | 14:30-18:00 | Bahia 2**

Gender-based violence in the world of work is a widespread violation of human and labor rights. This session will address the context and scope of GBV at work, its links to larger struggles for economic and gender justice, and invite and inspire labor, feminist, and other rights activists to join the ITUC Stop the Violence campaign, to establish international standards for stopping GBV at work.

**SPEAKERS:**
- Lisa McGowan, Solidarity Center – Moderator
- Julia Perkins, Coalition of Immokalee Workers
- Nomita Nath, President of the Bangladesh Independent Garments Workers Union Federation
- Madeleine Kennedy-Mcfoy, Education International
These sessions are tied to specific actionable opportunities for cross-movement solidarity, learning, and engagement.

**Feminist Playbook for Peace**

**Organized by:** Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)

**Saturday Sept 10 | 14:30-18:00 | Bahia 2**

Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) will lead this cross-movement session by focusing on ways to strengthen the women’s movement for peace - internally and externally by building on the commitments and outcomes of WILPF Women’s Power to Stop War movement.

The Feminist Playbook for Peace session will critically and specifically examine the context of gender and power: patriarchy, economic, political and militarism. It will also explore practical and innovative local strategies to prevent conflict and collectively shape a vision that addresses feminist foreign policies and reform, accountability and engagement with UN multilateral systems.

**SPEAKERS:**

- Madeleine Rees, Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom
- Binalakshmi Nepram, Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network and Control Arms Foundation of India
- Marcos Nascimento, MenEngage Alliance
- Emilia Reyes, Equidad de Género and Women’s Major Group
- Oula Ramadan, Badael Foundation
- Bettina Cruz, Indigenous Women’s Rights Defender
- Jamie Dobie, Peace Is Loud
- Yifat Susskind, MADRE

**BDS and the intersection of feminism and national liberation struggle**

**Sunday Sept 11 | 9:00-12:30 | Bahia 2**

Through joint cross-movement engagement and transnational feminist solidarity, this 3-hour session will spotlight ripe opportunities for anti-colonial, feminist and queer engagement with Palestine and the global movement for the campaign of Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS).

The BDS campaign against Israel serves as one manifestation of resistance to colonialism and imperialism and towards envisioning an alternative future. We will map the movement’s victories and successful local and international campaigns, and examine the different challenges and dilemmas encountered in organizing. Finally, this session will advocate for concrete cross-movement solidarity that can result in more and better collaborative action for Palestine.

**CO-CONVENED BY:**

- Zeina Zaatari, AWID Board member
- Haneen Maikey, alQaws for Sexual and Gender Diversity in Palestinian Society
- Sama Aweidah, Women’s Studies Centre
- Lena Meari, Institute of Women’s Studies/Department of Social and Behavioural Science, Birzeit University
- Ghadir el Shafeh, Aswat-Palestinian Gay Women
DEMOCRACY IN OUR CURRENT REALITIES: LESSONS LEARNED, CHALLENGES & THE WAY FORWARD

Organized by: AWID with members from the Forum IPC

Thursday Sept 8 | 14:30 - 18:00 | Arena Sauípe

Processes to build and/or deepen democracy around the world have yielded mixed results. In some contexts we have seen stronger State institutions without real democratic mandates and commitment. In others, the model of liberal democracy has shown limitations. At the same time, experiments in direct participatory democracy are spreading.

This session will interrogate aspirations and promises of democracy, its challenges and potential in current contexts, building from experiences from so-called leftist or progressive governments. We will discuss the role of social movements and civil society, highlighting people-led processes of transition from autocratic regimes and consequent backlash in North Africa, experiments in democracy in the Rojava Kurdish Autonomous Region and Zapatista communities in Chiapas, and the recent institutional coup in Brazil.

MONEY & MOVEMENTS: EVENING PLENARY

The power of collective resource mobilization: Visions for the future of resourcing our movements

Friday Sept 10 | 18:30-20:00 | Arena Sauípe

For a decade now, AWID and others have continuously emphasized and tracked shifting trends around funding and resources for rights and justice movements. While understanding these trends has been very important, there is a need to place equal emphasis on understanding and evolving diverse strategies for mobilizing resources for our movements.

This evening plenary will illustrate examples of collective resource mobilization strategies among multiple movement allies, unpacking the internal challenges and external dynamics that impact joint resource mobilization efforts. We will also discuss and analyze both the potential and opportunities for joint cross-movement resource mobilization strategies.

After the plenary:
Join us to celebrate the 5-year anniversaries of
FRIDA | The Young Feminist Fund and Red Umbrella Fund | The first global fund guided by and for sex workers
# Young Feminist Activism (YFA) Hub

**Engage** young feminists in deeper conversations about strategies to build collective power for rights and justice.

**Promote** multi-generational dialogues and interchange of experiences, perspective and strategies.

### Participant-led sessions
- **Artivism for young people:** Building bridges between Art, activism, SOGI, and feminism
- **At our fingertips:** Feminisms for a younger generation
- **Brazilian approaches to decolonizing feminism:** Experiences and practices of Brazilian feminist movements
- **Building sexual justice and reproductive justice in Latin America and the Caribbean**
- **Egypt:** Why we choose to utilize feminist non-conventional knowledge production as a tool of resistance
- **Healthy signposts on bumpy roads to safe futures:** Youth SRHR realities in Central and Eastern Europe
- **LGBTQI young feminisms**
- **Our lived realities:** Young African feminists
- **Women’s leadership at a young age:** Key to success in the fight for women’s rights

### Morning debriefs
A place for young feminists to come each morning to share things we’ve learned, ask questions, and start collective reflections as we eat breakfast before going to the morning plenary.

### Tear Down the Wall
A symbolic wall will be built from local material, symbolizing struggles of multigenerational and intersectional organizing. Come to the Hub to help tear the wall down, brick by brick. How? We’ll put out relevant questions, and encourage conversations among participants. Each time participants submit a response to the YFA team volunteer, they can take a wearable ‘brick’ out of the wall. Eventually, as the bricks come down, a beautiful mural will be revealed, showcasing the visions we co-create for our feminist movements.

### Art & doodling
There will be an art corner at the Hub where young feminists will be invited to use the art materials available to create art, political signs, or just relax and doodle.

### Multigenerational celebrations
We’ll be convening gatherings around the “bonfire” to celebrate and share lessons on solidarity and multi-generational cross-movement organizing -- with poetry, song, dance, rap and other artistic forms.

### Memories and Moments
We want to capture connections at the Forum! We invite young feminists to come to the Hub and grab a photo frame to take pictures with someone with whom you’ve connected at the Forum. We will be Instagramming these photos with a quote or comment to share with our allies.

### Self-organized activities
The Hub space is available for young feminists to self-organize activities and sessions during the Forum. Come to the Hub to sign-up for the space and to see what’s being planned!

# Practice Solidarity
SUSTAINING OUR ACTIVISM: WOMEN HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS (WHRDs) HUB

premium Lobby

A space to deepen a feminist approach to holistic security of activists, strengthen cross-movement solidarity, and advance wellbeing as a radical strategy for sustainable movements and joyful lives!

WELLBEING AREA

A safe, joyful and trusting environment to liberate our senses, experience pleasure and enhance wellbeing as a commitment to ourselves and our activism.

Activism often takes its toll on our physical and emotional health. Self-care and collective wellbeing can be a radical strategy to promote sustainable struggles, a healthy life, and more care, love and joy in our movements.

Quiet room
Comfortable sofas and soft pillows for a peaceful break from the intensity of the Forum.

Group activities
Morning yoga in front of the ocean
Dance and movement sessions
Feminist self-defense classes
Jin Shin Jyutsu self-help techniques
Check schedule at the Wellbeing Area.

One-on-one treatments and sessions
Massage | Reiki | Reflexology | Bach flowers | Herbal healing therapy | Traditional, new and trauma-sensitive methods to attend to body and mind.
Sign up for your treatment at the Wellbeing Area.

Conversation rounds
Exchange ideas and experiences, methods and tools for self-care and collective wellbeing. Informal conversations about all that touches our wellbeing: body and sexuality, health, pleasure, parenthood/motherhood, and more.

Organizers:
The self-care and collective wellbeing program at the forum has been developed by an inter-regional Advisory Group.

Participants-led sessions
An applied example: Trust building among women via non-verbal communication methods
Collective responses to integrated security: Current learnings and practices
Cultivating wellbeing: Provocative feminist thinking and action on trauma and protection
Digital security as feminist practice: WHRDs securing our digital tools and spaces for holistic protection
Documenting Women Human Rights Defenders: Activism, abuses and resistance
Forging ties and solidarity actions among Women Human Rights Defenders through IM-Defensoras
Sustainability of feminist activism: Inter-regional dialogues on self-care and collective well-being
The changing realities of the MENA region: New responses and continued resistance from WHRDs
WHOHS confronting extractive industries, defending territories, ensuring livelihoods

WELLBEING AREA

A space to deepen a feminist approach to holistic security of activists, strengthen cross-movement solidarity, and advance wellbeing as a radical strategy for sustainable movements and joyful lives!
**Exchange** strategies and consolidate our collective power in the face of violence, risks and threats against activists worldwide.

**Celebrate** our spirit, creativity and resilience.

**Build knowledge and enhance commitment** to the holistic security and wellbeing of WHRDs and the sustainability of our movements.

**Take care of yourself during the Forum.**

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**Digital Security Advisory Stand**

WHRDs and allies can receive one-on-one advice and exchange strategies on protection from technology-based violence and on how to use information and communication technologies to strengthen our movements. Check the schedule at the Hub.

**Solidarity Action Calls**

We invite all Forum participants to take action and express solidarity with Women Human Rights Defenders at risk. We will be announcing actions at the Forum.

**MANIFESTA.net**

Learn about the new digital platform where you can organize our own actions, join with others, and build a powerful global community to support feminist organizing -- online and on-the-ground. Sign up for demos and trainings and launch a new initiative or amplify a new one.

**Engage in campaign to support WHRDs**

Participate in the photo booth and other crowd-sourcing and interactive components of the new campaign being launched by Global Fund for Women, JASS and MADRE.

**Demystifying International Protection Mechanisms**

Informal conversations with the Advisor to the UN Special Rapporteur for Human Rights Defenders. Please check the schedule at the Hub.

**Self-organized Space**

A space for WHRDs and activists to connect, exchange knowledge and experiences, and support and inspire each other. You can initiate an informal meeting or discussion on any topic, in any language!

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**WHRD TRIBUTE: A SPECIAL EVENING ARTS PROGRAM**

**Thursday, September 8 18:30-19:30**  
*Vila Nova de Praia*

An invitation for us all to make the time and space to be moved and inspired.

A mural unveiling ceremony, a dance performance and a Brazilian ritual to commemorate feminist activists and Women Human Rights Defenders who passed away or were assassinated for their activism.

**Pause, breathe and re-energize.**

A celebration of the lives and struggles of activists and WHRDs today.
**FEMINIST RESOURCE MOBILIZATION (FRM) HUB**

**Explore** the critical role that resources play in fueling the agendas and strategies of women’s rights organizations and movements.

**Connect** women’s rights organizations, donors and activists in an informal atmosphere and build deeper alliances with each other and across social justice movements.

**Discuss, network and strategize** about resource mobilization and funding trends for human rights and gender equality.

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**Participant-led sessions**
- Opening session: Assessing current realities around funding trends
- African women and money: Opportunities and threats
- Bringing women’s rights and environmental justice together: The power of cross-movements
- Competition or cooperation in financing women’s rights organizations? Implications of the SDG agenda for global women’s movement solidarity
- Cross-sector collaboration: Opportunities and challenges
- How can funders more effectively support young feminist, trans* and sex worker movements?
- Is an alternative model fund for women’s rights possible? Examining possibilities for a civil-society-UN-government partnership funding mechanism
- The collective power of individual donors: Practical tips, lessons learned, and lingering questions from three Latin American women’s funds

**Donor office hours**
Face-to-face informational meetings* between funders and activists. Sign up at the Hub, as space is limited for each session. Schedule posted at the Hub.

* To promote open dialogue, we discourage solicitation for funding or formal evaluation of groups during this session.

**Donor dinners**
Activists and funders are invited to engage in conversations and learn of unexpected synergies over a relaxed meal. Come to the Hub to see which funders are hosting themed dinners and sign up early -- spaces are limited!

**Experts on resource mobilization**
Specialized experts will be circulating at the Hub during breaks and lunchtimes, on-hand to answer questions and lend their experience, covering such topics as crowdfunding, fundraising 101, storytelling, monitoring & evaluation, and corporate philanthropy.

**Engagement labs, caucuses & ad hoc meetings**
The Hub space will be available for self-organized sessions, allowing for more in-depth conversations on specific subjects within resourcing. Stop by the Hub to see the schedule, sign up to participate or sign up to lead your own ad-hoc discussion!

**Story collection**
Got a story to tell? Inspirational, humorous, frustrating -- we want to learn about them all! Whether you’re an activist or a funder, drop off an anonymous letter in the mailbox in the Hub. AWID plans to share these stories to address structural power dynamics and advocate for more and better funding for gender equality and women’s rights.

**Money & Movements Plenary**
Don’t forget to attend this special evening plenary that will address the current funding context in a dialogue between funders and activists. (See page 16 for full description)

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Please respect that the Feminist Resource Mobilization Hub space is not intended for solicitation of funds or evaluation of groups for funding.
A space that puts feminism – in all of its diversity & creativity – at the heart of engagement with technology, bringing together activists, researchers, & techies working on advancing a feminist internet.

How are feminists engaging with the Internet politically and personally? What started out as a useful tool to support our activism is now a critical part of our organizing and must also be part of our political agenda. As technology developments increasingly impact rights and social justice, we must influence and build alliances with movements calling for a free and open internet, unconditional access, freedom of expression, and the right to holistic safety, including online.

**Participant-led sessions**

- Accelerating the women’s digital revolution: Solutions to bridge the gendered digital divide
- Cuts right across: Consent in the digital age
- Demand justice! How to hold States and companies accountable for tech-based VAW
- Democratization of communications as a strategic area for the feminist movement
- Media activism: Transforming communication to consolidate the current feminist movement
- Practices, pitfalls and promise: Learning from efforts to bring together feminist organizing and the digital commons
- Reclaiming our power: Gender and knowledge: A feminist approach to new technologies
- What “big data” means for gender and development

**Sessions at Hub location**  (Visit the Hub for schedule & to sign up for stuff!)  

**Note:** There will be no formal interpretation at the Hub, but hopefully you’ll find someone there who can help out. And if you speak more than one language, please sign up to be an interpretation friend!

**Ideas Adapt**

- Lightning talks & a marketplace of ideas to showcase innovative, insightful & thought-provoking initiatives & approaches to technology.
- A comfortable space to hang out & get inspired by the diversity of work & thinking connecting feminism & technology.
- Creative disruption: Women & girls take on technology
- Group sexting: Transgressing boundaries of pleasure & politics
- ICT against violence against women & girls (Francophone)
- Luchadoras: Web TV amplifying women warriors
- Using video technology to empower women’s rights movement globally
- We rise: Tools for feminist movement builders & communicators – A participatory workshop

**Femhack Lab**

- Get your hands dirty & pick up new skills on how technology can support your activism. An open & creative kitchen where you can: unpack & exchange skills on strategic & creative communications; hack/disrupt patriarchal power structures embedded in technology; & mash-up culture, technology & activism.

- Collaborative Radio: Live and Open
- Embodied adventure: How does the Internet work?
- Stitch your own Faraday pockets & keep your phone hidden from transmitting radio frequencies
- Strategies of resistance for online feminist activism (Portuguese)
- Teaching participatory video: A hands-on workshop in using “cellphilms” for sexual rights advocacy

**Come & meet us** for new ideas, inspiration & maybe even potential collaboration!

**Organized by:**

Association for Progressive Communications (APC) in partnership with AWID

**Collaborators:**

- Luchadoras TV
- One World Platform
- Radio Palabra
- Coding Digital Rights
- Derechos Digitales
- Global Fund for Women
SELF-ORGANIZED SPACES
Check out these and other self-organized spaces throughout the Forum venue!

Disability Rights Space
A relaxed, welcoming space to meet with feminist disability rights activists. Catch up with old friends or make new ones.

- **Find out** about new initiatives on feminist/disabled women’s rights
- **Develop** inter-movement links
- **Understand** how as a feminist you can incorporate disability rights in your activism
- **Join** in art activities

- **Check out** goods produced by women with disabilities
- **Participate** in lunchtime trainings and dialogues on disability inclusive development and advocacy for disability rights
  ...or just plain **relax**!

Francophone Village
A friendly and comfortable space designed to:

- **Promote and facilitate** the participation of francophones, particularly those from the Global South
- **Strengthen** the international francophone movement around women’s rights
- **Highlight** the issues and contributions of francophones at the AWID Forum

Come to the Village to:

- **Share** informally throughout the day
- **Check out** the bulletin board for information about interpretation supports for participants

- **Be part of** facilitated gatherings to coordinate francophone participation in various Forum sessions and activities.

A facilitation team of five *Genre en Action* members will:

- **Welcome, guide and help** participants organize their agendas during the Forum
- **Encourage** the creation of work groups and facilitate meetings with non-francophone organizations
- **Organize** collective debriefing workshops
- **Produce** content on francophone participation in the Forum

Caucuses
Self-organized by Forum participants, held during lunchtime. Check the Schedule / App / Forum website for more information.

Ala Agua Lobby

**ORGANIZED BY:**
Nidhi Goyal, Forum IPC member, with members of the Disability Advisory Group for the AWID Forum

Ala Agua Lobby

**ORGANIZED BY:**
Genre en Action in collaboration with AWID
Get involved!

Use the articles and videos to support your own advocacy work. (French and Spanish translations of selected articles are posted on awid.org.)

Join the online discussion and share your point of view with thousands of readers.

Write an Op-Ed or pitch coverage of a story
Send your ideas to: contribute@awid.org.

Look for Guardian coverage of the Forum!

IS THE FORUM SPARKING AN IDEA? APPLY FOR A SEED GRANT TO GET IT OFF THE GROUND!

We hope your Forum experience is enriching, inspiring, challenging and provocative – and that it’s sparked some ideas for creative new actions.

If so, we invite you to apply for one of 25 “seed grants” of $5,000 each to support ideas sparked or informed by your Forum participation.

See the Forum website for information, guidelines and application form... and remember get your application in before the October 20th deadline!
Black feminists are building and resisting globally!

From Fees Must Fall in South Africa, to land occupations in Colombia and the movements for Black lives in the U.S, Black feminists are at the forefront of global struggle for social justice.

Bahia, Brazil is a region of significance in Black freedom movements, so Black feminists seized the moment to create a historic global gathering of over 200 hundred Black feminists over two days just before the AWID Forum.

The Black Feminisms Forum was a global movement-building process co-created by Black feminist artists, activists, agitators and creators that culminated in the gathering.

The BFF process celebrates the contribution of, provides a space for cross movement exchange and strategizing amongst, and deepens solidarity between, Black feminists around the world. The program of the BFF convening wove together art, ritual, panels, workshops, healing, celebration, mourning and solidarity.
Engage with the BFF!

Learn more by checking out the BFF page in the Forum website (link in the App).

Ask a Black feminist about their experiences.

Look out for contributions from BFF participants throughout the AWID Forum sharing what they heard and learned through the BFF process.

Hear more after the Forum. This historic process doesn’t end here. Look out for more Black feminist sharing, exchange and knowledge after the forum, which we will amplify on the Forum website.

BFF Acknowledgements

The Black Feminisms Forum was created by the BFF Working Group: Jamila Abbas • Jurema Werneck • Charo Minas-Rojas • Gay McDougall • Margo Okazawa-Rey • Sokari Ekine • Thenjiwe McHarris • Hakima Abbas • Felogene Anumo • Patita Tingoi • Nana Darkoa Sekyiamah • Kimalee Phillip • Valérie Bah • Amina Doherty.

The BFF is hosted by AWID who provided the space, support, time and resources to make it possible.

The BFF is co-created with Black-led organizations and individuals from around the world including: Adaku Utah • Awa Fall Diop • Afroféminas Revista • Carolina Pires • Code Red for Gender Justice • Fungai Machiri • HOLAAfrica! • Instituto Odara • Maggie Hazvinei Mapondera • NSOROMMA • None on Record ...

and many more!

We honor all of the creative minds that have gone into building and shaping the space. To all of the artists that have contributed to the BFF through your practice: Aishah Shahidah Simmons • Afifa Aza • Akwaeke Emezi • Angélica Moreira • Damani Baker • d’bi young anitafrika • Eliciana Nascimento • Sokari Ekine • Coumba Toure • Lynnée Denise • Mimi Cherono Ng’ok • Muptee • Nadijah Robinson • Sabriya Simon • Yaba Badoe • Yvonne Fly Onakeme.

To all of the incredible minds that went into shaping sessions, offering wellness practices, speaking, sharing knowledge and of yourselves, being fully present – We appreciate you!

To the hands of all the folks that prepared our meals, supported our translations, and cared for our spirits – Ase!

To our collective ancestors who sent divine energies of abundance – We honour you!
PARTICIPANT-LED SESSIONS

These nearly 200 compelling sessions were chosen from over 1,000 excellent proposals responding to our call for sessions about: our gains and learning; our current realities; institutions and mechanisms; our visions; and our collective power.

The Forum International Planning Committee worked with AWID staff to select the sessions to achieve a balance of themes, constituencies, geographical representations, and in particular, the potential for cross-movement connections.

Check the schedule for days, times and locations.

Use the App or sign in to the Forum website to:
- Search for sessions based on your interests
- Stay updated on session, speaker and scheduling changes

The Arts & Culture exhibitions described here are located throughout the Forum venue.

“Arab Spring” and violence against women: Reality and hope
Armed conflict and its aftermath provide a specific context for sexual violence where rape is used as a tactic of warfare. Physical, sexual, economical and psychological violence against women during their life cycle is prevalent in all Arab countries in transition or in conflict situation. Is there any future?
Organizers: Centre of Arab Women for Training and Research. Presenters: Hedia Belhaj Youssef • Afaf Jabiri • Azza Suleiman.

30 years of movement-building to resist fundamentalisms: Lessons learnt and the way forward
On WLUML’s 30th anniversary, our session will reflect on our journey so far. We will chart the building of a transnational movement to oppose the use of religious norms to oppress women. Reflecting on the lessons learnt, we will ask how we best apply these to the current political situation.
Organizers: Empower Foundation. Presenters: Fatou Sow • Aya Chebbi • Homa Hoodfar • Karima Bennoune.

A cross-generational dialogue within Egyptian feminist institutions
Highlighting an experience of inter-generational dialogue between Egyptian feminist institutions, touching upon how such a dialogue resulted in developing collective strategies that aimed at advancing women’s political and social rights in Egypt. The session also raises the questions regarding the challenges of sustaining such inter-generational dialogues.
Organizers: Nazra for Feminist Studies • The Women and Memory Forum. Presenters: Amal Elmohandes • Sara Salem • Diana Abdelfattah • Maissan Hassan.

Venture outside your comfort zone!
Go to sessions to learn about issues, regions, and movements you’re not familiar with.
Abortion rights to reproductive justice: Tracing the historical legacy and unpacking the contemporary discourse

The speakers will present diverse histories of legislating on abortion from countries in Latin America, South Asia, African continent and the US. The focus will be on how these have shaped the abortion discourse in those settings and how abortion rights as an issue and movement has lost ground.

Organizers: CREA • Open Society Foundations • Sexuality Policy Watch. Presenters: Rupsa Mallick • Katrina Anderson • Elisa Slattery • Sonia Correa.

Addressing multiple discrimination and intersections relating to caste, class, gender, religion and its impact on the lives of women in South Asia

This session would focus on the issues and violation of rights related to Dalit women, who represent the so-called untouchable communities. The Dalit women leaders along with a representative from International Dalit Solidarity Network would be sharing about the challenges and obstacles, they face locally, regionally and internationally.

Organizers: Feminist Dalit Organization • Pakistan Solidarity Network • International Dalit Solidarity Network • Navsarjan Trust. Presenters: Manjula Pradeep • Durga Sob.

Acclerating the women’s digital revolution: Solutions to bridge the gendered digital divide

Learn creative solutions that women leaders use in their own communities to overcome barriers to digital access and collective organizing, as well as hear solutions on how local organizers, development institutions, technology companies, and mobile providers can collaborate to speed up access to revolutionary digital spaces for women and girls.

Organizers: World Pulse • Global Fund for Women. Presenters: Jensine Larsen • Sister Zeph • Neema Namadamu • Sharon Bhagwan-Rolls.

Adventures with art and performance: Sex workers of Empower Thailand

Communication across diverse beliefs, cultures and languages can be seen as a problem to solve or it can be lived as an adventure! Sex workers of Thailand invites you to join us on an art and performance adventure to explore how sex workers are using art to document current realities.


Accountability: Developing tools to hold states accountable for the human rights of women and girls with disabilities

This inter-active session will build bridges between mainstream women’s rights advocates and women with disabilities rights advocates to advance international standards on the rights of women with disabilities. We will take stock of existing international standards, identify normative gaps, and brainstorm strategies to mobilize our collective power as advocates.


Advocating for equal access to resources: Experience from the “We Are the Solution” rural women’s movement for food sovereignty

Since 2011, 12 rural women from West Africa have advocated as a network for better resource governance. With over 15,000 members/allies, three representatives from 5 countries will share how their work is improving women’s independent access to decision-making and productive resources.

Organizers: Fahamu Africa. Presenters: Anita Sutha • Rosalie Ouoba • Mariama Sonko • Sia Anne Kamano.

African women and money: Opportunities and threats

The session provides a safe space for African women attending the Conference to share some of the challenges and opportunities faced when engaging in discussions of “Where is the money for Gender Equality?” in a continent with rising economic growth and increasingly, limited space for CSO participation.

Presenters: Dinah Musindarwezo • Emma Kaliya.

Afrodescendent women’s political platform to address multiple and violent forms of discrimination within the context of the Decade for People of African Descent

Presentation of the Political Platform of the Network of Afro-Latin American, Afro-Caribbean and Diaspora Women to advance the fulfillment of our rights within the framework of the International Decade for People of African Descent.

An applied example: Trust-building among women via non-verbal communication methods

Beyond Borders? Linking Our Stories is a peace-building project among Armenian and Turkish women. We use non-verbal communication techniques and body movement to foster trust, collaboration and peace. We would like to present a performance, which we produced in 2014 and to facilitate a workshop about non-verbal communication with others.

Organizers: Beyond Borders Women Initiative • WWHR-New Ways. Presenters: Ebru ISIK • Defne Erdur • Meline Ter Minassian • Aida Simon.

Art as a form of resistance

In the Palestinian culture folklore dancing is not only a type of art, it’s a sort of resistance. It reflects the role of the Palestinian revolutionary woman. It’s a tool to resist the oppression and to nourish the identity.


ArtAct: Using art and creativity as a tool within activism

ArtAct is a group of independent activists in Armenia using art and creativity as a tool for social change. Instead of the somewhat tiresome questions “what is art?” we introduce “what art can do”, sharing our methods and projects using creativity when reacting to and acting for changes in society.

Organizers: ArtAct. Presenters: Lusine Sargsyan • Elvira Melikshtyan • Tatev Tatulyan • Laura Avelian.

Artivism for young people: Building bridges between art, activism, SOGI, and feminism

Our session aims to build the capacity of young people in using creative approaches to make linkages among SOGI, feminist and youth movements. In an interactive session, we will use techniques such as community-based theater and creative writing as tools to build collective power.


Asserting sovereignty: Decolonizing solidarity in our struggle to stop violence against Indigenous women, girls, Trans and Two Spirits

No More Silence will share its experience with building a network of Indigenous women and allies to raise awareness on the epidemic of violence against Indigenous women, girls, trans and two spirits in Canada. The group has been pivotal in developing an analysis and practice of decolonizing solidarity.

Organizers: No More Silence. Presenters: Audrey Huntley • Carol Lynne D’arcangelis.

Assessing current realities around funding trends

This opening session of the Feminist Resource Mobilization Hub will introduce the space and key objectives, and offer a broad overview of funding trends that have shaped and affected social justice movements’ realities. It will position diverse funders and activists as allies in building mutual understanding of the trends and building visions for the future together.

Organizers: AWID. Presenters: Angelika Arutyunova and others TBC.

At our fingertips: Feminisms for a younger generation

This session brings together younger feminists, between the ages of 9 to 16 years old, for a conversation on creating community and organizing politically across different contexts. Issues such as intersectional feminism, social and political justice, as well as race, gender, sexuality, and bodily autonomy will be addressed.

Organizers: AWID. Presenters: MC Soffia • Marley Diaz • Jamila Abbas • Movimento 205.

BLACK INFINITY

a bit of black swagger + magical realism + broken hearts + ancestor worship + afrofuturism = BLACK INFINITY.

Organizers: Nadijah Robinson.

Brazilian approaches to decolonizing feminism: Experiences and practices of Brazilian feminist movements

The oppressive logic of colonial thought also affects feminist struggles, as it produces universalizing practices and discourses that take the “Global North” as the sole reference. In Brazil, “coloniality of gender” is being increasingly denounced by feminist movements that are fighting for self-determination with decolonizing and intersectoral practices.

Organizers: Coordenação Nacional de Comunidades Quilombolas. Presenters: Isabela Camargo Soares da Cruz • Rebecca Tainá dos Santos • Carla Romão • Julia Elisa dos Santos.
Bringing women's rights and environmental justice together: The power of cross-movements

The plenary brings together activists and funders from the environmental and women's rights movements who will share how collaborating has strengthened their collective power to mobilize resources to create a world in which women can and do exercise their rights to a safe environment.

Organizers: Green Alliance for Gender Action • International Network of Women's Funds • Global Greengrants Fund.

Presenters: Nicky McIntyre • Carla López • Danielle Hirsch • Bhanumathi Kalluri.

Breaking the silence: Women united against sexual torture

In a context of impunity and increased human rights violation in Mesoamerica, sexual torture and violence against women still exist as a mechanism of social control. This session will analyze this problem, as well as strategies for survivors and organizations to achieve justice and eradicate this form of violence.

Organizers: Just Associates (JASS) • Centro de Derechos Humanos de la Montaña Tlachinollan • Centro de Derechos Humanos Miguel Agustín Pro Juárez • Unión Nacional de Mujeres Guatemaltecas. Presenters: Cristina Hardaga Fernández • Maya Alvarado • Claudia Medina • Stephanie Erin Brewer.

Breaking the silos for a shared agenda: Economic, environmental and social interlinkages in sexual and reproductive justice mobilizing

In a time of rising conservatism, depleting resources and increased oppression faced by women's movements globally, traditional ways of feminist organizing are changing. Join us to discuss how SRJ feminists are creatively organizing to break silos for a shared agenda that incorporates social, economic and environmental concerns in the fight for gender justice.

Organizers: RESURJ. Presenters: Viviana Tatawaqa • Soha Abdelaty • Oriana Lopez • May-i Fabros.

Brilliant and Resilient

This unique exhibition features a collection of photographs and personal stories of women with different types of disabilities. Their powerful portraits and vignettes illustrate the issues that significantly impact their lives, including access to education, employment, political power, reproductive health services, and HIV/AIDS and violence prevention.

Organizers: Mobility International USA (MIUSA)

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Organizers: Global Activism for Trans* Equality • Iranti-Org • Society of Transsexual Women of the Philippines • Transgender Europe.

Presenters: Charlese Saballe • Carla LaGata • Sayonara Nogueira • Jabulani Chen Pereira.

Bridging the gap: Applying human rights principles to economic and social policymaking

In a context of deep inequalities, growing corporate power and weak state accountability, this session will look critically at the potential for applying human rights principles to policymaking to advance gender equality. How can activists ensure that human rights get a hearing in the face of such challenging global forces?

Organizers: UN Women Research & Data Section • Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law & Development. Presenters: Laura Turquet • Kate Lappin • Purna Sen • Krishanti Dharmaraj.

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Building a feminist peace: A collective visioning workshop

Drawing upon insights and methods from the field of conflict resolution and peace-building, this workshop will engage participants in a feminist visioning process designed to collaboratively articulate alternative futures.

Organizers: Center for the Study of Gender and Conflict at George Mason University. Presenters: Leslie Dwyer • Lisa McLean • Sandra Cheldelin • KC Soares.

Building a movement to fight inequality

This interactive session will explore ways of broadening alliances to fight against increasing economic inequalities. As struggles for the rights of women are being threatened on many fronts, this session will highlight a range of people powered movements who are working together to build a stronger national and international women's movement.

Presenters: Jenny Ricks • Adriano Campolina • Chidi King.

Bridges across continents: Trans solidarity and cooperation in the global context

Experiences from the international “Transrespect versus Transphobia Worldwide” project - presented by four trans activists from Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Europe - will

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Organizers: Mobility International USA (MIUSA)
Building a Trans-inclusive feminist movement: Mobilization against violence across movements

The session will focus on trans-inclusive feminism, using the often-neglected issue of gender-based violence against trans people as a framework for exploring common issues affecting various oppressed groups, such as state control over bodies, sexuality and gender and planning joint anti-violence strategies of the feminist and the trans movement.

Organizers: Transgender Europe (Germany) • Red Umbrella Sexual Health and Human Rights Association (Turkey) • Labrys Kyrgyzstan (Kyrgyzstan) • Transvanilla Transgender Association (Hungary). Presenters: Beata Fedorko • Kemal Ondek • Krisztina Orban • Sanjar Kurmanov.

Building an intersectional approach to women’s rights at the international level

The session will explore how different issues (such as internet rights, SOGI, SRR & WHRDs) are played off against each other by States in key human rights spaces, what this means for us as advocates, and how to move beyond this and develop better collective strategies and solidarity between movements.

Organizers: Sheherezade Kara • APC • ARC International • Arrow. Presenters: Sheherezade Kara • Janine Moolman • Kimberly Vance • Pooja Badarinath.

Building gender-just social movements: Stories of success and routes for transformation

What works in building gender-just social movements? How can we transform the “deep structures” that prevent movements truly integrating women’s rights? This session will present findings from the BRIDGE programme on gender and social movements and introduce its exciting new phase – action learning with a range of social justice movements.

Organizers: African Women’s Development Fund (AWDF) • BRIDGE (IDS) • Gender at Work • Just Associates (JASS). Presenters: Jessica Horn • Sheereen Essof • Michel Friedman • Deepta Chopra.

Building sexual and reproductive justice in Latin America and the Caribbean

This session offers a participatory space for reflection on the links between sexual justice, reproductive justice, and the economic, political, social, and environmental realities of Latin America and the Caribbean, an exercise in intersectional political imagination in defense of both land territory and body territory.

Organizers: Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en América Latina y el Caribe • Las Ramonas • Balance • Anis - Instituto de Bioética. Presenters: Sinara Gumieri Vieira • Mirta Moragas Mereles • Gabriela García Patiño • Shi Alarcón Zamora.

Building the collective power of women with disabilities: Shared experiences from Nepal, Peru, Lebanon, the Pacific and East Africa

Women with disability share the diversity of experiences which will enrich the wider women’s movement. Sharing opportunities that women with disabilities have created to build their own collective power and overcome obstacles faced within a male dominated disability movement, as well as explore new ways to build stronger alliances.

Organizers: CBM • Women’s Refugee Commission • Asia Pacific Network of Women with Disabilities. Presenters: Rosewater Alice Mudanikwa • Mia Farah • Madezha Bazán • Rama Dhakal.

Challenging corporate power, demanding accountability: Feminist resistance struggles and strategies

What can we do to counter the corporatization of development agendas, institutions and to resist the commodification of livelihoods and the planet? How to bring corporations truly to account for their harmful activities and abuses of human rights and prevent them in first place? A session for knowledge sharing and strategizing.

Organizers: AWID • ITUC • Global Policy Forum • Tax Justice Network (TJN) • La Via Campesina. Presenters: Atiya Waris • Esperanza Cardona • Barbara Adams • Chidi King.

Challenging power through litigation: Strategies to realise women’s economic, social and cultural rights

Women’s ESCR relate to many aspects of women’s daily lives and ESCR violations can impact women disproportionately and in different ways. This session will guide participants to consider the role of litigation in challenging violations, exploring how to make cases more effective and how litigation fits within wider advocacy strategies.

Organizers: WESCWG • Centre for Reproductive Rights • Bulgarian Gender Research Foundation • Legal Resources Centre • Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales. Presenters: Charlene May • Rebecca Brown • Edurne Cárdenas • Daniela Gorbounova.

Collaborative Radio

Open online and FM radio booth (with free software and hardware) to disseminate and document the experiences and struggles of women’s movements.

Organizers: Palabra Radio • FRIDA. Presenters: Loreto Bravo Muñoz • Maria Ibarenguioitia Gonzalez • Bandana Danuwar.
Collective responses to integrated security: Current learnings and practices
This interactive session will focus on learnings from current integrated security practices utilized by women and trans activists. Several practitioners and activists will share their experiences around collective responses to security that go beyond individual and organizational practices.


Collectivizing to confront criminalization of our sexualities, reproduction and lives: Challenges from the global to the local
As criminalization of our sexualities and reproduction occurs worldwide, we must confront state-sanctioned violence for exercising our human rights. This session will highlight the difficult questions raised by criminal justice remedies and how (de)criminalization advocacy can unite movement divides between groups similarly impacted by punitive laws and policies.

Organizers: Amnesty International (UK) • CREA (India) • Sexuality Policy Watch/ABIA (Brazil). Presenters: Jaime Todd-Gher • Geetanjali Misra • Georgina Orellano • Elizabeth Vasquez.

Combatting trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation: Do we do more harm than good?
How do we effectively combat trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation while protecting the rights of those involved in the sex trades? Sex workers and researchers will share their experiences of anti-trafficking initiatives, highlighting best practices and the sometimes harmful effects of well-meaning initiatives.

Organizers: European Women’s Lobby • Womankind Worldwide • African Women’s Development Fund • Saathi (Nepal). Presenters: Serap Altinisik • Bandana Rana • Abigail Hunt • Theo Sawa.

Coming of a (new) age: Collecting adolescent girls and collectivizing women, an inter-generational dialogue on collectivizing women and girls
This session explores the connections between the idea of the feminist collective and work on the ground that mobilizes adolescent girls. The panel investigates the relationship between women’s and girls’ collectives, the challenges in collectivizing girls for rights and justice, and the futures imagined through the creation of girls’ collectives.

Organizers: KIT (Royal Tropical Institute) • American Jewish World Service. Presenters: Dipta Bhog • Dr. Maitrayee Mukhopadhyay • Usha Chaudhary • Prashanthi Polavarapu.

Competition or cooperation in financing women’s rights organisations? Implications of the SDG agenda for global women’s movement solidarity
This session will consider whether and how women’s rights organisations can build stronger alliances globally to leverage sustainable, transformative financing within the framework of the SDGs. It will deepen the political conversation within the women’s movement globally to develop recommendations on financing the global women’s movement.

Organizers: Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development • Center for Trade Union and Human Rights • Leitana Nehan Women’s Development Agency. Presenters: Daisy Arago • Helen Hakena • Kate Lappin.

Corporate accountability is a feminist issue: Strategies for challenging an unchecked and unregulated private sector
Women’s rights and gender equality are threatened by unregulated private sector activity in multiple ways. This session will consider strategies for holding corporate actors accountable for human rights violations and the disempowerment of women, including strengthening international regulatory norms and processes and the enforcement of governments’ extraterritorial obligations.

Organizers: Europe’s Women’s Lobby • Womankind Worldwide • African Women’s Development Fund • Saathi (Nepal). Presenters: Serap Altinisik • Bandana Rana • Abigail Hunt • Theo Sawa.

Come together to break the silos and leverage our collective power
Creative disruption: Women & girls take on technology
Technology alliances engaging women and girls can result in creative ways to approach human rights issues and movement building, force us outside of usual ways of working, and push our analysis. Learn about feminist approaches to tech, youth-led #HackGirlsRights, and take part in a dialogue on cross-sector collaboration and innovation.

Organizers: Association for Progressive Communications • ThoughtWorks Brasil • Global Fund for Women. Presenters: Clare Winterton • Jac sm Kee • Claudia Melo • Adriane Fernandes.

Cross-sector collaboration: Opportunities and challenges
As the private sector becomes increasingly engaged in work to empower women globally, collaborations with women’s funds and organizations are emerging. Individuals involved in recent collaborations discuss the opportunities for making connections and building relationships – as well as the challenges in creating partnerships for lasting impact.

Organizers: Win-Win Coalition. Presenters: Marissa Wesely • Laura Garcia Coudurier Garcia • Musimbi Kanyoro • Amalia Fischer Pfäffle.

Cuts right across: Consent in the digital age
Consent - a long-standing feminist concern – is increasingly emerging as a cross-cutting concept in Internet governance. This panel deploys feminist lenses to surface the buried concept of consent in the digital age and to explore its value to strengthen human rights online, and the implications of this for Internet governance.

Organizers: Internet Democracy Project • Point of View. Presenters: Anja Kovacs • Bishakha Datta • Jac sm Kee • Joana Varon.

Daspu to Puta Dei -- From the Catwalk to street protest: Communication and culture in the political scene of the prostitute movement
Presentation of the communications, artistic and cultural tools of the organizations of the Rede Brasileira de Prostitutas (Brazilian network of prostitutes) that feature collective power and alliances in the political struggle for justice and rights in Brazil: political interventions of the Daspu brand name, Puta Dei, Miss Prostitute, Day Without Discrimination and virtual and printed communication media, such as BlogdasEsquinas and the Beijo da Rua newspaper.

Organizers: Rede Brasileira de Prostitutas, Davida - Prostituição Direitos Civis • Saúde (Rio de Janeiro) • Associação Mulheres Guerreiras (Campinas) • Aprosmig - Associação das Prostitutas de Minas Gerais (Belo Horizonte) • Gempac - Grupo de Mulheres Prostitutas do Estado do Pará (Belém). Presenters: Leila Suely Barreto • Maria Menezes Vieira • Flavio Lenz Cesar • Maria Melo dos Santos.
Demand justice! How to hold States and companies accountable for tech-based VAW
Violence against women online increasingly impacts our lives, yet existing laws are not sufficiently equipped to deal with this new and emerging threat. States argue lack of jurisdiction; companies deny responsibility. We say they’re accountable! Come learn how by applying a Framework for accountability for States and internet intermediaries alike!
Organizers: The Due Diligence Project • the Association for Progressive Communications.
Presenters: Jan Moolman • Zarizana Abdul Aziz • Maureen Pagaduan • Belma Kucukalic.

Democracy in our current realities: Lessons learned, challenges & the way forward
Processes to build and/or deepen democracy around the world have yielded mixed results. This session will be a space to interrogate the aspirations and promises of democracy, its challenges and potential in the current context, building from diverse experiences, including the recent institutional coup in our host country, Brazil.

Dialogue of knowledges: Indigenous women human rights defenders, working against discrimination and for the prevention of violence
Factors such as discrimination, racism, patriarchy, and others come together to create a social and economic environment that limits the wellbeing of indigenous women. This is a space for sharing knowledges, community experiences, achievements and live performance and spoken word. The Romani Resistance Collective, Kurdish women of Rojava, and Inuit women of Greenland will explore our similarities and strengths, our struggles and our resilience, our wishes and our aims to build a collective transnational Indigenous feminist powerhouse.
Organizers: KAM-RI / MANTILLA. Presenters: Kerieva McCormick • Enisa Eminovska • Tuhfe Gocmen Bozkurt • Rosa Johnson.

Digital Security as feminist practice: Women Human Rights Defenders securing our digital tools and spaces for holistic protection
WHRDs are increasingly facing digital threats which undermines our right to communicate and disrupts freedom of speech and assembly. This workshop will collaboratively explore the privacy violations, respond to the needs and experiences of WHRDs through raising awareness and skills in countering these through digital security strategies and tools.
Organizers: Women Human Rights Defenders International Coalition • Front Line Defenders Association for Progressive Communications • AWID. Presenters: Dayai Flores Hernandez • Maryam Alkhawaja • Gillo Cutrupi.

Disability, sexuality and rights
The goal of this session is to raise awareness and create a platform for cross movement dialogue among disabilities, women’s, and human rights activists. We will discuss the challenges and opportunities. We will screen a portion of Margarita with a Straw to spark imaginations, build bridges and advance solidarity.
Organizers: Urgent Action Fund. Presenters: Shalini Eddens • Shonali Bose • Malini Chib • Meerim Illyas.

Disrupt and transform! 10+ years after Beijing+10 Platform for Action
A reflective critique on women’s anti-racist, cross-border, transnational diasporic feminist activism, including...
Documenting Women Human Rights Defenders: Activism, abuses and resistance
This session explores “WHRDs and documentation” with focus on violations & activism/resistance. WHRDs engage in strategic political struggle; we are targeted because of who we are and what we do. Too often, we don’t document our experiences, and others who document don’t capture gendered nuances and contexts of our lives.

Domestic workers organizing across nationality and ethnicity lines
In many places, domestic work is still the easiest-available job option for women from ethnic minorities and migrants, including the undocumented. Their issues and needs are multidimensional and multifaceted. In many places, they have realized that their future is one and come together to form organizations.
Organizers: International Domestic Workers Federation • FENATRAD. Presenters: Pui Yu Ip • Celeste Faison • Phosuk Gasing • Wendy Quinonez.

Domestic workers: Reclaiming rights and justice through collective power
Domestic workers are using their new tool - the ILO C189 to push for their rights and justice. They organize and build alliances with trade unions and others in the countries like India, Mexico, S. Africa and Jamaica to achieve their goals. Through uniting globally, they reach out even more.
Organizers: International Domestic Workers Federation • AFL-CIO Solidarity Center. Presenters: Myrtle Witbooi • Shirley Pryce • Ernestina Ochoa • Marcelina Bautista.

Eastern and South-East Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia: Getting (back) on the global feminist map
The session will offer an overview of major trends affecting the region and how feminists and women’s rights activists and advocates are dealing with and responding to these trends. With ever growing political repressions affecting anyone from human rights defenders to well established organizations, militarization and growing conservatisms, and overarching economic collapse, it is essential that voices of the feminists and women’s rights activists from this, often forgotten, region are firmly on the global feminist map to share their struggles, lessons learned, old and new strategies, and open space to learn from others on future visions.
Presenters: Lara Aharonian • Daniyar Orsekov • Irina Maslova.

Economic justice and women’s human rights at work: Feminist perspectives
Panelists will discuss policies, institutions, systems and structures that are critical to ensure just and favourable conditions of work for women. Discussing the dynamic nature of women’s work from the perspectives of women farmers, domestic workers, etc., they will redefine work and work-related rights from a feminist perspective.
Organizers: P&WESCR, Jamaica Household Workers’ Union (Jamaica) • Legal Resources Centre (South Africa). Presenters: Priti Darooka • Elaine Duncan • Charlene May.

Egypt: Why we choose to utilize feminist non-conventional knowledge production as a tool of resistance
We offer our experience from the 2014 16 days of activism campaign event “reading from women human right defenders writings about their experience during imprisonment and how it affected their lives and activism under military ruling” and our collective writings ranging from personal, and academic writings in our first periodical.
Organizers: Ikhtyar “Choice “ for Gender Studies and Research. Presenters: Nawara Belal • Sally Alhaq • Mai Abdelhafez.

Emerging powers, gender, sexuality and human rights
The session aims at sharing and exploring further the implications of global economic and political shifts underway – which are manifested in the formation of new geo-political blocks such as BRICS - for the politics of gender, sexuality and human rights.

Engendering peace dialogues and transition processes
After the uprisings in the Arab world, women have fought for inclusive transitions, constitutions, and peace. These speakers will discuss their participation in Libya’s peace negotiations, Yemen’s National Dialogue, Morocco’s constitutional reform, and Syria’s CEDAW review, as well as creation of national charters for women’s constitutional rights and for peace.
Organizers: Karama. Presenters: Zahra’ Langhi • Saher Ghanem • Mouna Ghanem • Saadia Wadah.
Envisioning change through art and creative expression: Activist-led Artivism Hub

This artistivist space aims to showcase art from feminist groups from different regions and walks of life to increase our understanding of how the arts helped them influence and claim ownership over cultural spaces and the public discourses in their contexts.

Organizers: Astrea Lesbian Foundation for Justice • FRIDA • Mama Cash.

Feminism and men: Transforming practices, institutions and symbols

This panel aims to create a space for dialogue on lessons learned and impasses – from a political, ethical and conceptual point of view – from work with male populations and on masculinities from a feminist and/or gender perspective.

Organizers: Núcleo Feminista de Pesquisas em Gênero e Masculinidades - Gema/UPFE • Instituto PAPAI • Instituto Fernandes Figueiras • Fiocruz. Presenters: Mariana Ferreira • Jorge Lyra • Marcos Nascimento • Benedito Medrado.

Feminist experiences and best practices for eradicating discrimination against women and advancing the achievement of equality

This session aims to understand and analyze best practices promoted by women and feminist movements to eradicate discrimination and advance equality. The information gathered here will be included in the report of the United Nations Working Group on the Issue of Discrimination against Women.

Organizers: Grupo de Trabajo de Naciones Unidas sobre el Asunto de la Discriminación contra las Mujeres en la Ley y en la Práctica • Women’s Human Rights Education Institute (WHRI) • JASS. Presenters: Aida Facio • Angela Lytle • Helen Barrientos • Heather Evans.

Feminist Islam: Collective push for justice, perspectives from the Horn

A look at Islamic Feminism, reflecting on a his/herstorical look at Islam’s feminist growth, key figures in Islam who embodied feminist principles, shattered norms - challenging notions that religion is necessarily oppressive, looking at forms of liberation.

Organizers: Awal, Siha. Presenters: Nebila Addumilek • Rahma Hersi • Reem Mussa • Reem Abbas.

Feminist perspectives on global inequality: Making the struggle for the realization of human rights count for all

This session will focus on the financialization of the global economy, global inequality, and the struggle for advancing women’s human rights. What changes occurred since the last Forum? How do we identify new critical issues? Are there emerging areas of women’s human rights that we should be paying attention to? Discussants will pursue this topic through an intersectional lens, with particular focus on race and inequality, indigenous rights, and the situation of women living in conflict.

Organizers: Center for Women’s Global Leadership. Presenters: Radhika Balakrishnan • Krishanti Dharmaraj • Tarcila Rivera Zea • Fatima Outaleb.

Feminist popular education: Decolonizing solidarity?

Oppressions of all kinds, across social classes, culture, religion, sexuality and gender continue apace, however, these oppressions take different forms in different parts of the world. How can the collective action take the form of ‘decolonising solidarity’; and how can civil society build an intersected agenda, based on new inter-relations patterns

Organizers: Gender Education Office of ICAE • REPEM • Vida Brazil. Presenters: Maria Cecilia Fernández • Shirley Walters • Fanny Gomez • Damien Hazard.

Feminists, no ‘ifs’ or ‘buts’: Building regional feminist power through the African Feminist Forum

The African Feminist Forum created a transnational platform bringing together feminists of diverse generations and backgrounds including policy advocates, community mobilisers, academics, artists and liberation fighters. We explore how we built the politics, how national forums mobilised against religious fundamentalisms, and invite you to document your African feminist ancestors.


Fighting for rights and justice in Chechnya

A 10-minute video about women’s rights organizations working in Chechnya to end honor killing, forced marriages, polygamy, property rights and violence against women. Sharing experience with other session participants and gaining new experience from other NGOs and groups from different countries working on similar problems women face everywhere.

Organizers: Filmmaker Zarema Mukusheva • Doveriye • Vsegda Vmeste. Presenters: Gisera Sakaeva • Zina Mukusheva • Irsa Isaeva.
Forging alliances: Sex workers call for cross-movement solidarity

The session will reflect on the experiences of sex workers facing stigma-based oppression and structural violence, and ways of building alliances and highlighting the linkages between sex workers’ advocacy strategies and the agenda of women, LGBTIQ, anti-trafficking, migrant and other human rights groups.

Organizers: SWAN - Sex Workers’ Rights Advocacy Network in Central Eastern Europe and Central Asia • ICREE - International Committee for the Rights of Sex Workers in Europe. Presenters: Roxana Elena Vasile • Juliette Le Mouël • Paula Mansilla Rodriguez • Kemal Ördek.

Gender struggles for new social and labour movements: The empowerment of women waste pickers

Drawing on findings of a collaborative project Rethinking Gender and Waste Recycling, this session explores how building gender awareness amongst women waste pickers is not only tied to processes of empowerment at both the personal and collective level, but can also foster democratic changes with social and labour movements.

Organizers: WIEGO • NEPEM (Nucleo de Estudios y Pesquisas sobre a Mulher) • MNCR (Movimento de Catadores de Materiais Recicláveis). Presenters: Sonia Dias • Madalena Duarte • Poliana Inácio.

Gender, race, class and migration: Cross-sectoral strategies to address root causes and consequences of women’s mobility

A lively session explores women’s mobility through race and class lens, engaging migrant, afro-descendent and young women, trade unionists, transgender activists. Explore how current development model makes migration a necessity for millions. Strategize across sectors to link women’s organizing in sending and destination countries, addressing migration’s cause, state/corporate accountability.

Organizers: Women & Global Migration Working Group, and Working Group members including: Comision de Apoyo a Refugiados y Migrantes (CAREF) • International Trade Union Confederation • KULU-Women in Development • Migrant Forum Asia • National Alliance of Women's Human Rights Defenders. Presenters: Bunch • Jacqueline Pitanguy • Ruth Ochieng • Nighat Khan.

Global Citizens: Actors for social change

Evidence, explanation, and revaluation of the collective action of women who live in contexts of migration, who collaborate across national borders through tireless action in support of women’s rights in their countries of origin, focusing on the intersection between various struggles and global citizenship.

Organizers: Red de Migración • Género y Desarrollo. Presenters: Sara Cuestas Ramírez • Arlene Cruz Carrasco • Bombo Ndir.

Global feminist journey(s): Reflections on cross-cultural movement strategies and current challenges

Women’s movements and feminism have transformed the landscape of social change reaching into every sphere, locally and globally. This dialogue with key actors in the global women’s movement explores strategies used for cross-issue and cross-movement collaboration that helped women gain human rights and how they can influence current political challenges.

Organizers: Center for Women’s Global Leadership (CWGL-Rutgers University) • CEPIA (Cidadania Estudo Pesquisa Informação Ação) • Global Fund for Women • ASR Resource Center • ISIS:WICCE. Presenters: Charlotte Bunch • Jacqueline Pitanguy • Ruth Ochieng • Nighat Khan.
**Healthy signposts on bumpy roads to safe futures: Youth SRHR realities in Central and Eastern Europe**

The session will address current challenges faced by young people, when exercising their sexual and reproductive rights in Central and Eastern Europe. These realities will be discussed, while underscoring power of youth NGOs, which serve as healthy signposts, providing adolescents with comprehensive information on their health.

**Organizers:** ASTRAYouth. **Presenters:** Malgorzata Kot • Marinella Matejcic • Marika Jobava • Aleksandra Jozeftowska.

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**How can funders most effectively support young feminist, trans* and sex worker movements?**

Social movements need money to support and strengthen their activism for social change. Key recommendations from global mappings on resourcing the women’s, trans*, sex workers’ rights movements will be presented and experiences with movement-led grantmaking strategies will be shared to discuss how activists can best help shape funders’ priorities and processes.

**Organizers:** Mama Cash • Red Umbrella Fund • Open Society Foundations. **Presenters:** Nadia van der Linde • Ruby Johnson • Ana Kirey • Wanja Muguongo.

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**How can we reclaim our rights? Universal human rights and the fierce backlash of religious fundamentalisms**

This session will publically launch the Observatory on the Universality of Rights (OURS) initiative and its first trends report on the impact of religious fundamentalisms on the international human rights system. The session will open with a visual presentation illustrating key concerns being addressed by the OURs project and the trends report, (taking inspiration from the short visual presentation created for the “See Change” campaign: http://www.catholicsforchoice.org/campaigns/SeeChangeCampaign.asp)

**Organizers:** The Observatory on the Universality of Rights (OURS) • Musawah • Coalition of African Lesbians (CAL) • Asian-Pacific Resource and Research Centre for Women/ARROW. **Presenters:** Zainah Anwar • Cynthia Rothschild • Carrie Shelver • Azra Abdul Cader.

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**How to hold your government’s feet to the fire: Accountability for the post-2015 development agenda**

The adoption of the post-2015 development agenda, including a standalone goal on gender equality, was the culmination of significant, coordinated advocacy by the women’s movement globally. This session will consider key challenges in the implementation of the agenda and how to build robust accountability processes.

**Organizers:** The Women’s Major Group • Women’s Environment and Development Organisation (WEDO) • International Women’s Health Coalition (WHC) • Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD) • Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF) • Global Forest Coalition • Women’s Environment and Development Programme • Equidad de Genero • Forum on Women’s NGOs of Kyrgyzstan. **Presenters:** Kate Lappin • Luisa Emilia Reyes • Sarah Gold • Eleanor Blomstrom.

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**ICT against violence against women and girls**

Information and communications technologies (ICT) can serve in the fight against violence against women. We use them to respond to the confidentiality needs of victims, to prevent and denounce, or as a space to regain power. Practical examples will be shared.

**Organizers:** SI Jeunesse Savait • Association for Progressive Communications • Sula Batsu • Genre en Action. **Presenters:** Richine • Richine Masengo.

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**Imagine a feminist internet**

The digital/online is now as seamlessly a part of our lives as the physical/ offline. And it’s throwing up new challenges for feminism: around asserting autonomy, reimagining bodily integrity, and reconfiguring selfhood/identity. Let’s imagine a feminist internet that is a site for our political activism – and a space for personal exploration.

**Organizers:** Point of View • Association for Progressive Communications. **Presenters:** Bishakha Datta • Nadine Moawad • Valentina Pellizzer • Sheena Magenya.

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**Impact of sexual violence ‘industry’ on feminist movement building**

Sexual violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo has become a multimillion dollar industry. Congolese women are being portrayed as victims of violence only. What impact does this have on feminist activists fighting for equality, rights and justice? How do they escape this framing and manage to mobilize collective power?

**Organizers:** Synergy Des Femmes de Congo • l’Observatoire de la Parité • United Nations Stabilisation Mission for the DRC (MONUSCO) • CORDAID. **Presenters:** Irma Van Dueren • Justine Bihamba • Akinyl Walender • Esperance Mawanzo.

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**Intergenerational leadership: Strategies for sharing knowledge and power in social movements**

An opportunity for a dialogue on leadership within the women’s movement, bringing together
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Mediactivism: Transformative communications to strengthen the feminist movement

Enriching current communications practices in the feminist movement with visions and ideas for collective action in online communications spaces, recognizing and deepening the use of IT to expand and promote the feminist agenda, forge alliances, and transform discourses and areas of influence.

Organizers: Programa de Apoyo a Redes de Mujeres, Región América Latina, APC • Colnodo. Presenters: Lilian Chamorro Rojas • María Goñi Mazzitelli • Florencia Goldsman • Florencia Flores Iborra.

Mining development without a woman’s face: Contributions of the Latin American Women’s Union to the rural indigenous women’s movement for equal rights, justice, and land

Shedding light on the emergence of the rural indigenous woman human rights defender threatened by mining, focusing on the construction of new knowledge and new forms of empowerment, based on collective power, the creation of grassroots groups, solidarity, and accompaniment.

Organizers: Fundación Mujeres del Agua • Frente de Mujeres Defensoras de la Pachamama • Centro de afectados por la minería en Mayoc • LAMMP • ULAM. Presenters: Lina Solano • Valdirene Santos • Margarita Perez • Glevys Rondon.

Navigating diversity: The experience of the Fiji women’s forum

The Fiji Women’s Forum is made up of four leading women’s organisations in Fiji. Strengthening feminist leadership models and providing spaces for experiential learning through reflection on personal experience are emblematic of the FWF’s position as a Feminist Movement, these are also the factors that have brought with them.

Organizers: Fiji Women’s Forum • National Council of Women Fiji • Soqosoqo Vakamarama i-Taukei • Fiji Women’s Rights Movement • FemLINKPACIFIC. Presenters: Tamari Tabakaucoro • Tara Chetty • Fay Volatabu.

Not your rescue project: Film and performance from the sex worker rights revolution, our reality, visions and collective power

Whether it is by taking to the streets in protest, delivering vital services or simply reclaiming our stories, sex workers are transforming communities and having our voices heard. The session will include short films and performance followed by discussion exploring new visions for rights that are emerging from our movement.

Organizers: Davida • Daspu • Moral High Ground Productions • RedUP • SF Bay Area Sex Worker Film and Art Festival. Presenters: PJ Starr • Anna Saini • Akynos Shekera • Elaine Bortolanza.

Organized women’s fight against submissive mentalities: The history of the Northeast movement of rural women workers (Brazil)

For thirty years now, rural women workers from northeastern Brazil have been organizing their struggle in the MMTR-NE to strengthen their leadership and practices in order to build a more just and equal society for all. As rural feminists, our vision encompasses a tremendous diversity of identities and traditional knowledge as part of a collective construction based on solidarity.

Organizers: Movimento da Mulher Trabalhadora Rural do Nordeste. Presenters: Gabriela Monteiro Araújo • Maria Verónica de Santana • Charlene May • Elizete Maria da Silva.

Our daily Ginga: Women capoeiristas and their struggles in the context of modern feminism

This session takes the struggles and organizational forms of women in capoeira and intertwines them with reflections that intersect gender, race/ethnicity and sexuality with the perspectives of new transnational and decolonizing movements. The goal is to overcome inequalities and strengthen autonomy while using the body and its corporeity as the foundations of these processes.


Our fears, our courage, our priorities, our solutions! Women’s voices from conflict zones of Afghanistan, Pakistan and India

This session will focus on women’s voices from isolated conflict zones of Afghanistan, Pakistan and India on
issues of militarization, security, and justice. Their fears, their courage, their priorities and solutions will be highlighted, illustrating the regional interlinkages to engage in a robust discussion on joint advocacy and collaborative strategies.

Organizers: Women’s Regional Network. Presenters: Kishwar Sultana • Abha Bhaiya • Rita Manchanda • Judge Najla Ayubi.

Our lived realities: Young African feminists
This session articulates the lived realities of Young African feminists within the patriarchal system. Despite efforts by older feminists, younger feminists find their realities needing a nuanced analysis. This has necessitated creative ways of movement building amongst young African feminists on various issues around bodily integrity, autonomy, voice and choice.

Organizers: Dandelion Kenya • Think Young Women Gambia • Mov Femme • RESURJ. Presenters: Catherine Nyambura • Lana Razafimanantsoa • Nzira De Deus • Mariatou Newlands.

Our voices matter: Cross-movement visions and strategies from Indigenous and rural women organizing for the world’s survival
What can activists learn from indigenous/rural women’s visions that combine feminism, environmental-justice, collective power, diverse cosmovisions? In this dialogue, indigenous/rural women leaders share experiences

Pacific small island feminisms: Climate and ecological imperatives that change our organising!
The planet is changing around us, in unprecedented ways. Small island states are at the front lines, with other climate-most-affected communities around the globe. In the 16 Pacific small island states, feminists are more and more articulating these challenges, resisting and transforming their responses. We share them in this session.

Organizers: Diverse Voices and Action (DIVA) for Equality • Pacific Youth Council (PYC) • Women in Media-Solomon Islands (WIMSI) • Women United Together Marshall Islands (WUTMI) • Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC)/TBC • Regions Refocus2015/TBC. Presenters: Noeline Nabulivou • Milikini Failautusi • Ender Rence • Kathryn Relang.

Let’s build Feminist Futures together.
Policies for promoting gender equality and respect for sexual diversity in the work environment: Global scenarios and possible strategies

ILO Convention nº 111 affirms that vocational training must seek to eliminate all discrimination in the labour market. The objective of this session is to discuss strategies for combating bi-homo-lesbo-transphobia and all forms of sexism in the labour market and environment, which involve public and private entities.


Practices, pitfalls and promise: Learning from efforts to bring together feminist organizing and the digital commons

Reflecting on recent efforts to bridge “open tech” culture and feminist organizing, this session will explore points of convergence and divergence across these spaces, reflecting on practices, challenges, and future opportunities to more intentionally and collaboratively harness the potential of the digital commons for our movements.

Organizers: Wikimedia Foundation • CARE International • Urgent Action Fund for Women’s Human Rights • The Ada Initiative. Presenters: Diane Wu • Jensine Larsen • Sydney Poore • Caitlin Stanton.

Proper roles and precarious lives: Women with disabilities disrupting patriarchy

As women with disabilities, we highlight how our lives are affected by disability, whilst every judgment on us reflects societal gender roles. Stressing the negative impact intersection of these roles has on our sexual rights, we offer evidence of how disability has disrupted patriarchy, presenting alternate solutions to feminists.

Organizers: Point of View Mumbai • Sightsavers Pakistan • Malawi Human Rights for women and girls with disabilities • North West Association of Women with Disability. Presenters: Nidhi Goyal • Ruth Achinegeh • Syeda Gillani • Stella Nkhonya.

Proudly African and Transgender

This exhibition is a cultural intervention for social justice in the form of portraits and stories of 10 transgender African activists. Participants chose to be portrayed in this way because they want their faces to be seen and their voices heard around the world.

Organizers: Gabrielle LeRoux.

Publication, activism and art

The proposal is a workshop for published construction collective. Words and images of the participants will be put into a journal edited collectively and distributed at the forum.

Presenters: Fernanda Grigolin.

Punitive drug policies and women’s rights: Addressing violence against criminalized women in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Women who use drugs face exceptional levels of violence, including at the hand of police. The session will share findings of community-led documentation and advocacy campaign to end violence and increase access to justice for criminalized women in Eastern Europe and Central Asia and call for joined action.

Organizers: Eurasian Harm Reduction Network • Open Society Foundations. Presenters: Ekaterine Iakobishvili • Olha Ponomarova • Irena Ermoleva • Oksana Buzovici.

Push back and step forward: Our human rights at risk

Well-funded coordinated opposition to gender justice has increased in intergovernmental spaces, threatening human rights gains. What happened? And how can we reclaim our rights in this context?
This discussion will connect the dots between state and non-state players; across regions and between national and international levels; and between shrinking space for civil society and erosion of sexual and reproductive rights.

Organizers: AWID. Presenters: Naureen Shameem • Tarso Ramos • Cynthia Rothschild • Marisa Viana.

Radical African lesbian feminists: Transforming body politics

A session by a diverse group of radical African lesbian feminists, celebrating 10 years of our agency, activism and power as the Coalition of African Lesbians, affirming our place in families and cultural life and an act of defiance against the attacks on our autonomy over our bodies and lives.


Reaping what we sow: Why land rights matter for women and how they can grow

Women’s rights to land are at the heart of transformative, empowering change to end poverty for rural women and communities, lay the foundation for multiple development outcomes and advance social justice. We will share gains, gaps, and strategies to strengthen women’s rights to land through innovative interventions and effective alliances.

Organizers: Landesa. Presenters: Tzili Mor • Dorcas Akello • Sabita Parida • Faith Alubbe.

Re-building better society through women’s network: Women’s unique efforts in relief and rehabilitation works after the earthquake in Nepal

WOREC has led ‘Sneha Campaign’, providing safe space for women throughout earthquake affected areas in Nepal. This session highlights how NAWHRD and WOREC team utilized their strength and collaborated with each other to rebuild Nepal as gender-sensitive society.

Organizers: WOREC • WOFOWON • Sahayatri Samaj Nepal • JAGSN. Presenters: Masako Tanaka • Srijana Pun • Radhika Sapkota • Jaya LuinPel.

Reclaiming our power. Gender and knowledges, a feminist approach to new technologies

Have new technologies enabled women to organise and express their voice? Do women have better information to make decisions? Is their knowledge included and valued at local, regional and global levels? Reflecting on examples from Africa, Asia and Latin-America and participants’ ‘knowledge stories’ we will build a new feminist vision.

Organizers: Genre en Action • Sulá Batsú • IT for Change • Global Voices Online • BRIDGE. Presenters: Kemly Camacho • Anita Gurumurthy • Françoise Mukuku • Firuzeh Shokooh Valle.

Red-Green-Purple paradigm for the new direction of feminist empowerment

We suggest the ‘Red-Green-Purple paradigm’ as a new direction of feminist empowerment. It’s also a new framework to analyze the world polysynthetically and fundamentally. In this session, we’ll introduce this paradigm and share our experiences that we’ve been organizing ‘School of Feminism’ with this perspective for glocal activists since 2009.

Organizers: Network for Glocal Activism / School of Feminism. Presenters: Na young Kim • Gaphee Ko • Libertad Enriquez Abad • Yuan Feng.

Recognising common ground: Islam and women’s human Rights

The session will focus on the paradigm shift on the subject of Islam and women’s human rights that has taken place in many Muslim contexts in the past 20 years, highlighting new feminist knowledge and forms of activism, advocating the possibility and necessity for equality, justice, and women’s rights within Islam.

Organizers: Musawah. Presenters: Zainah Anwar • Marwa Sharafeldin • Nani Zulminarni • Natasha Dar.

Reframing and reclaiming women’s and girls’ sexual rights: The role of collective power in dismantling abortion stigma and institutional violence

The session intends to present concrete examples on collective movements to challenge various forms of institutional violence, discrimination and abortion stigma. Panelists will discuss how stigma is used to justify institutional violence and efforts to dismantle violence at the personal, community, health system and legal levels.

Organizers: Ipas • Grupo Curumim (Recife/PE) • IMAIS (Salvador/BA) • CLADEM Brasil. Presenters: Beatriz Galli • Leila Hessini • Paula Viana • Maria Jose Araujo.
Regional mechanisms and social movements: Addressing natural resource exploitation and its impact on women in ASEAN and the global South.

This session will examine ASEAN human rights mechanisms and how they address the impact of natural resource exploitation on women. Can women’s movements engage with these regional human rights mechanisms to seek accountability?


Role and place of women in peacekeeping in the Sahel and around the world

This session aims to defend the rights and duties of women in conflict situations, which many countries face. It will also demonstrate women’s place and the role they have to play, equally important in conflict management and prevention.

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Revisiting our strategies for reclaiming a social, gender just, democratic and peaceful Europe

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Sex, fun and money

This session uses collaborative methods of art and activism to invert what is otherwise understood as frivolous, but is actually a deeply subversive practice in the lives of Indian sex workers: the political use of fun and humor in their everyday lives, which ensures financial security, and resists violence.

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**Organizers:** Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir/Mexico • Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir/Argentina • Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir/Brasil • la Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Córdoba, Argentina. **Presenters:** Maria Mejia Piñeros • Juan Vaggione • Maria Rosado Nunes • Jose Morán Faúndes.

**Sexual violence prevention, documentation and survivors’ support: Egypt**

In Egypt, sexual violence has been rising; about 500 cases of mob-sexual attacks were documented, and 30% of women reported being subjected to violence by their spouse. Panelists will discuss challenges of documentation and challenges and opportunities of collaboration between civil society organizations, mapping available resources and gaps in services.

**Organizers:** El Nadeem Center • Nazra for Feminist Studies • Women and Memory Forum. **Presenters:** Farah Shash • Maissan Hassan • Amal Elmohandes.

**Sexuality and gender at the UN Human Rights Council: 10 years past and onwards**

This Session, led by the Sexual Rights Initiative, is based on the SRI’s work in the last 10 years at the Human Rights Council and provides case studies of this work to offer the SRI’s experiences and analysis in advocating on sexuality and gender based on a sexual rights framework.

**Organizers:** Sexual Rights Initiative • CREA • Coalition of African Lesbians • Akahata •

**Shadeism: Digging Deeper: Exploring film as a tool for resistance, healing justice, and solidarity-building amongst women**

This session brings together a team of women of artists and activists, as they share a special screening of their documentary “Shadeism: Digging Deeper” (2015), and engage in a wider discussion on colorism, and how they used film as a tool of resistance and solidarity-building for women across the world.

**Organizers:** Refuge Productions. **Presenters:** Nayani Thiysagarajah • Camaro West.

**Silent Tears**

‘Silent Tears’ is developed in collaboration with the participants who are women with disabilities who have experienced violence or women who have acquired their disability as a direct result of violence. They represent a range of experiences and cultures providing an important and respectful narrative and validation of their experience, while also reaching out to other survivors and the wider community.

**Organizers:** CBM International Office.

**Spirit Desire: Resistance, imagination and sacred memories in Haitian Vodoun**

The series which includes images of everyday living, ritual and ceremony, aims to shift the gaze from representations that depict Vodoun as negative and present a decolonizing narrative: one in which Vodouisants engage with a consciousness and spirituality that celebrates our humanity rather than focusing on a set of prescribed normative identities.

**Organizers:** Sokari Ekine.

**Storytelling as collective memory: How media turns lessons learned into new movements for change**

We have seen firsthand how sharing stories of women’s struggles for social change, for example through PBS’ Women, War & Peace series, has inspired women worldwide to confront emerging challenges in innovative ways. This session will explore lessons learned and how to maximize the impact of media for advocacy.

**Organizers:** Peace is Loud. **Presenters:** Ruth Ojambo Ochieng • Malikka Dutt • Rachel Vincent • Joanna Hoffman.

**Strategies for building a movement of men to end violence against women**

More men are recognizing they have a role to play to end VAW and are becoming partners in the movement. This panel will explore effective strategies used by organizations, activists, and academics to rally men as new allies and partners.

**Organizers:** Breakthrough • Promundo. **Presenters:** Mallika Dutt • Gary Barker.

**Strategies of resistance for online feminist activism**

A meeting to collectively map and share strategies of defence against violence suffered as the result of feminist activism in digital environments. The goal is to strengthen feminist activism in these environments. This is an initiative.
Successful strategies for sexual rights advocacy: Building our collective power in Muslim societies and beyond

How can we learn from successful initiatives to strengthen our collective power around sexual rights advocacy? From trailblazing Anti-Discrimination legislation for LGBTI rights in the Philippines, to transnational organizing for women factory-workers in Bangladesh, to evidence-based inter-faith advocacy across MENA and Asia-Pacific, we’ll explore WHRD’s successful strategies to find out.

**Organizers:** Coalition for Sexual and Bodily Rights in Muslim Societies (CSBR) • PILIPINA Legal Resource Centre • ARROW • BRAC University. **Presenters:** Rima Athar • Mary Kristine Antonio • Mangala Namasiyavan • Dina Siddiqi.

Sustainability of feminist activism: Inter-regional dialogues on self-care and collective well-being

Envisioned as a space for inter-regional dialogues between feminists sharing strategies of self-care and collective care, inspiring activists to tap into idea of self-care as “political and revolutionary act” with capacity to renew our struggles and movements as we face multiple oppressions in societies as well as in organizing spaces.

**Organizers:** Disability Rights Fund • Handicap International. **Presenters:** Natalia Estrada • Yeni Damayanti.

System change, not climate change: Building a grassroots feminist just transition away from climate crises

As the effects of the climate crisis continue to impact women in frontline communities around the world, we are building our own vision for a Just Transition away from the extractive economy that causes climate change to economies for people and the planet, which will require broad systems change.

**Organizers:** World March of Women International Secretariat (Mozambique). **Presenters:** Graca Samo • Cindy Wiesner.

Tax justice and women’s unpaid care labor

This session aims to discuss gender biases in tax systems caused by the fact that women’s care labor remain undervalued. The failure to regard women’s work as “income in kind” has only allowed capitalists to gain tax benefits and deprive women of what they truly need.

**Organizers:** Jubilee South Asia Pacific Movement on Debt and Development. **Presenters:** Claire Miranda • Ana Mae Buenaventura-Dolleton • Sujita Shaky • Puspa Dewy.

Teaching participatory video: A hands-on workshop in using cellphilms for sexual rights advocacy

Participatory visual methodologies have much to offer feminist movements for social change, especially in the realm of sensitive/taboo topics that sexual rights often encompass. In this interactive session, participants will create short videos using cellphones to explore the theoretical and practical aspects of participatory video for community advocacy (Limited Space: 20 max).

**Organizers:** Unit for Visual Methodologies for Social Change (Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa) • Participatory
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Cultures Lab (McGill University, Canada) • Coalition for Sexual and Bodily Rights in Muslim Societies (CSBR). Presenters: Rima Athar • Claudia Mitchell.

Territories and sexuality: Body, culture and identity
Knowledge exchange on practices and experiences of feminism, sexuality, territory and identity through dialogue between lesbians, young feminists, and young indigenous women.
Organizers: Clôset de Sor Juana AC • Red de Jóvenes Indígenas de México y Centroamérica • Punto Género AC. Presenters: Josefina Valencia Toledano • Silvia Ángel Pérez • Erandi Avendario Serrano • Guiet Ortiz López.

The Black Jacobin(e)s consider love in praxis: When the NGO isn't Enuf
In the face of struggling NGOs and dwindling funding streams, Caribbean feminists explore the constitutive features of Afro-centred, love-directed, cross-movement/issue/generational radical relationship building as a means of sustaining transformational organizing. This sister circle will discuss organizing principles based on work in LGBTQ groups, academic institutions and vanguard women’s organizations.
Organizers: The So((U))L Collective • I’m Glad I’m A Girl Foundation. Presenters: Afifa Aza • Georgia Love • Nadeen Spence.

The changing realities of the MENA region: New responses and continued resistance from the WHRDs
The WHRD MENA Coalition brings together passionate and inspiring activists from the Orient, the Gulf and North Africa to address common challenges. Speakers will consider violations from state and non-state actors and focus on strategies developed by MENA WHRDs in sustaining their activism and ensuring their safety and security.
Organizers: Regional coalition for women human rights defenders in Middle East and North Africa. Presenters: Sara Aboughazal • Azza Sulieman • Eman Abd Alrahman • Amal Elmohandes.

The collective power of individual donors: Practical tips, lessons learned, and lingering questions from three Latin American women’s funds
How can grassroots feminist organizations with limited start-up capital establish successful individual donors’ programs? This session will bring together members of three Latin American women’s funds to discuss challenges and highlight best practices regarding how to start, sustain, and strengthen work with individual donors in the global South.
Organizers: Sociedad Mexicana Pro Derechos de la Mujer (Semillas) • The Central American Women’s Fund/Fondo Centroamericano de Mujeres (FGAM) • Fondo de Mujeres del Sur. Presenters: Jenny Barry • Laura García • Claudia Samcam • Luz Aguilante.

The democratization of communications as a strategic area in the feminist movement
Communications media are important in constructing the social imaginary. The democratization of media is contested terrain for the women’s rights movement. Establishing democratic rules confronts the private corporate monopoly and demands a redefinition of “Freedom of Expression”.
Organizers: Cotidiano Mujer • Comunicar Igualdad (Argentina) • Comité de Investigación y Capítulo América Latina y el Caribe de la Alianza Global de Medios y Género (GAMAG). Presenters: Lilian Caliberti • Sandra Chaser • Aimeé Vega Montiel.

The diversity of feminisms in our resistance and alternatives
The World March of Women is building an international movement that addresses the intersections of war, women’s economic autonomy, public services and common goods, and violence against women. How do we build across different contexts? What are the alternatives that we are proposing?

The effectiveness of networking in fighting for women’s security/leadership in conflict/post-conflict situations: A successful experience
Our session will present the successful collaboration between four women’s networks for the promotion of women’s leadership in public space and conflict/post-conflict management and mobilizing other organizations to work on these issues and the peace process within their communities.
Organizers: Réseau des Organisations Féminines d’Afrique Francophone (ROFAP) • Collectif des Femmes du Mali (COFEM) • Réseau Genre et Droits de la Femme (GEDROFE) • MUSONET. Presenters: Massan d’Almeida • Joséphine Ngalula Kabeya • Mama Koité Doumbia • Djeneba Haidara.

The failure of the State apparatus to protect India’s Untouchable women: By design or by default?
To highlight the purposeful neglect and brazen impunity enjoyed by state institutions and the perpetrators of caste crimes against women in India. We present the barriers to access justice, rights
and entitlements. We interrogate the contexts underpinning implementation of special legislation and policies that remain defunct and meaningless.

**Organizers:** Dalit History Month • Dalit Women Fight • All India Dalit Mahila Adhikar Manch. **Presenters:** Asha Zechariah • Christina Priya Dhanuja.

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**The life of women and girls raped in Northern Mali by religious fundamentalists during the rebellion**

Suffering, 25 women aged 8 to 34 with sexually transmitted infections and those infected with HIV, as well as the trauma and violation of their rights and what our NGO has done to take care of those who have to undergo vaginal repair.

**Organizers:** PROFESAB. **Presenters:** Adama Traore.

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**The right to grow: Feminism and food sovereignty**

This session will examine the intersection of feminism and food sovereignty, and will bring together organizations who work collectively to defend self determination through agricultural practices, community-led development, and organizing.

**Organizers:** International Development Exchange (IDEX). **Presenters:** Katherine Zavala • Milvian Aspuac • Herschelle Milford.

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**The Theatre of the Oppressed Project: Race, gender and sexuality**

The workshop aims to create an aesthetic, democratic, creative, proactive and dynamic space where women can recognize themselves and be recognized as producers of art, knowledge and social transformation that values and promotes this expression, of exchange and stimulus for solidarity and justice.

**Organizers:** Femininas teatro das oprimidas • Associação Incubadora de Empreendimentos e Produções Afro e Kurung Berlim. **Presenters:** Isabel Freitas • Ana Conceição Oliveira Azeviche • Bárbara Santos • Rachel Vieira.

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**The Vagina Riot**

After a long period without meeting, 5 LBT vaginas, meet again. They begin a discussion about their experiences their backgrounds and identities. On stage five women from the MENA region will interpret the characters of the vaginas to highlight the oppressions and the endured norms.

**Organizers:** Chouftouhonna. **Presenters:** Khouloud Mahdhaoui • Rym Amami • Nicolas Silva • Mariem Mechtli.

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**Toward a strong coalition of women’s organizations across Caribbean Francophone countries**

The feminist movement’s track record in Haiti is positive and dynamic. It played a crucial role in the fight against discrimination and violence against women, and toward the much desired ideal of equal rights between Haitian women and men.

**Organizers:** AFASDA (Association Femmes Soleil d’Haïti). **Presenters:** Cathie Elvariste • Myriam T. Dubuison.

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**Trading away feminist futures: A critique of unfair, corporatised trade, finance, aid and development practices**

Feminists are working in a historical moment of complex and co-opted development, including unprecedented privatisation of development finance. This exacerbates negative impacts on SRHR, WHR, the global development partnership, FID and climate justice etc. By September 2016 there is a need for strategic updates on key developments and collaborative feminist responses.

**Organizers:** Diverse Voices and Action (DIVA) for Equality • Pacific Network on Globalisation (PANG) • Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF) • Regions Refocus 2015 • Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN) • Third World Network (TWN) • International Women’s Health Coalition (IWHC) • Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD). **Presenters:** Noeline Nabulivou • Nicole Bidegain • Ivy Josiah • Lice Cokanasiga.

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**Trading lives, trading women: What’s at stake for women in the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPPA)?**

This session will examine TPPA, a highly secretive trade agreement that threatens women and their communities. It will discuss how women can unite and come up with a plan that will link national and international actions to call for an alternative development framework with women’s human rights at the center.

**Organizers:** GABRIELA Philippines • Center for Women’s Resources • Asia Pacific Mission for Migrants. **Presenters:** Joan Salvador • Emily Cahilog • Dewi Amelia Putri • Azra Sayeed.

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**Transfeminisms: Experiences from the global South**

Three transfeminists from Africa, Latin America, and Asia will provide participants with an in-depth and nuanced understanding of transfeminist organizing in the Global South. They will share their bold visions of change and describe how they harness their collective power to realize these visions in their work and lived realities.

**Organizers:** S.H.E - Social, Health And Empowerment Feminist Collective Of Transgender And Intersex Women Of Africa • Mama Cash. **Presenters:** Happy Mwende Kinyili • Abhina Aber • Leonashia van der Merwe • Gabrielle Esteban.
Turning adversaries into advocates: Facilitating women’s access to justice through innovative partnerships with traditionally patriarchal structures

In Ghana, Togo and Swaziland, women are increasing their legal rights and access to justice for survivors of gender-based violence by working collaboratively with traditional leaders, religious institutions, governments and judicial actors, who have long been seen as perpetuating patriarchy and the oppression of women.

**Organizers:** Crossroads International • SWAGAA (Swaziland Action Group Against Abuse) • GF2D (Le Groupe de réflexion et d’action Femme, Démocratie et Développement) • Women in Law and Development in Africa (WILDAF-Ghana).

**Presenters:** Annie Zawadi • Cebile Manzini-Henwood • Epiphanie Houmey Meteteiton • Patricia Essel.

Unravelling women leadership: Reflections for the future

The overarching theme of the panel is the building of feminist, transformative and sustainable leadership as the future of the women’s movement. We will present the key lessons and insights drawn from the FLOW-funded program on women leadership spanning more than 15 countries in 4 global regions over 4 years.

**Organizers:** Women’s Empowerment and Leadership Development for Democratization (WELDD) • Shirkat Gah • Women Living Under Muslim Laws • Institute for Women’s Empowerment.

**Presenters:** Farida Shaheed • Lin Chew • Doaa Abdelaal.

Using multiple identities to build alliances: Experiences in cross-movement collaboration from women leaders with disabilities

This panel will bring together women leaders with disabilities from Bangladesh, Nepal and Kenya to talk about cross-movement collaboration and will explore intersectionality between disability, gender, sexual orientation and ethnic/cultural identity, sharing examples of cross-movement collaboration on rights of women with disabilities within LGBTQ, indigenous rights and legal aid movements.

**Organizers:** Disability Rights Fund.

**Presenters:** Pratima Gurung • Nasima Akhter • Mahbuba Akhter • Soinette Desir.

Using video technology to empower women’s rights movement globally

The session explores how video technology is being used to advance justice for women, build capacity for storytelling and share learnings. Through experiences from global south, women’s rights activists trained by WITNESS are using video technology effectively to advance women’s rights by bringing the stories to key audiences.

**Organizers:** WITNESS. **Presenters:** Isabelle Mbaye • Esther Kimani.

Violence against women under State control

Thousands of women around the world are under the control of the criminal justice system. Women of color are incarcerated more frequently than white women. While under state control, women are subjected to violence and abuse. Further, many women came under state control because they are survivors of violence.

**Organizers:** Anti-Sexism Committee of the National Lawyers Guild.

**Presenters:** Laura Polstein • Michele Marie • Judy Thongori • Laura Polstein.

Visions through the arts: Rights and justice for disabled and non-disabled women

Performances by activist facilitators in Art, poetry and storytelling in this participatory session demonstrate the power of creative Arts to stimulate changes for women at personal and wider society levels. We will create art, debate, explore a feminist Vision on identity, ownership, participation, shared knowledge, collective power and action.

**Organizers:** DaDaFest, UK • The Red Door, India • Women & Wheels (Kenya) • RachelGadsden.com (UK).

**Presenters:** Grindi Dockery • Reshma Valliappan • Rachel Gadsden • Lizzie Kiama.

We rise: Tools for feminist movement builders and communicators (a participatory workshop)

Drawing on our new resources - WeRise and ICTS, both activist
toolkits, this participatory session will engage participants in using feminist movement building tools and activities designed to deepen and develop strategies for collective power. We will share activities that foster strategic action and strategic use of communications and media.

**Organizers:** JASS/Just Associates • FAMM. **Presenters:** Patricia Ardon • Anna Davies-van Es • Adelaide Mazwarira • Kunthea Chan.

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**We, Black women, march and demand: And now, what about the future?**

Brazil is currently experiencing a resurgence of racism, sexism, religious discrimination, lesbophobia and other forms of segregation and exclusion. The more than 50,000 participants of the Black Women’s March against Racism, Violence and for the Good Life denounced this situation. And what about the struggle now? What should we do? How should we coordinate our struggles?

**Organizers:** E’LÉÉKÒ: Gênero • Desenvolvimento e Cidadania • Criola. **Presenters:** Rosalia Lemos.

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**What “big data” means for gender and development**

This panel will ask about what ‘big data’ means for the framing of ‘gender and development’ and mechanisms for holding institutions to account for the SDGs and beyond.

**Organizers:** Arrow • Tactical Technology Collective. **Presenters:** Indira Ganesh • Gita Sen • Emilia Reyes • Mangala Namasiyayam.

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**What does solidarity look like? A cross-movement dialogue on challenging religious fundamentalisms**

Come and hear a candid and provocative discussion with activists from different movements on the challenges they face working together in the context of the sharp rise of religious fundamentalisms and their innovative ideas and proposed actions on what is needed to strengthen solidarity and a more cohesive response.

**Organizers:** AWID. **Presenters:** Laila Alosaad • Dawn Cavanagh • Karima Benoune • Bani Dughal.

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**Who cares? We care! Transforming economies towards care, worker’s rights and development justice**

We will look at the state of care economy, highlighting the challenges faced by women in informal and domestic work, and by young women in cities in the global South. Mobilising against economic inequality, we will discuss our feminist visions for economy that cares, uphold workers’ rights and development justice.

**Organizers:** ActionAid • Asia Pacific Forum on Women Law and Development (APWLD) • International Trade Union Coalition (ITUC) • Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO). **Presenters:** Margaret Osei • Rachel Moussie • Chidi King • Jill Shenker.

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**WHRDs confronting extractive industries: Defending territories, ensuring livelihoods**

WHRDs who challenge the interests of powerful economic actors are often subject to threats, intimidation, criminalization, stigmatization and killings from state and non-state actors. Nevertheless, WHRDs are mobilizing and organizing their communities to advance a notion of development that incorporates gender equality and sustainability of their territories.

**Organizers:** AWID • Consejo de Pueblos K’iche’ por la Defensa de la Vida, la Madre Naturaleza, la Tierra y el Territorio • Kebekchak Women Development & Resource Centre • Karapatan, leader indigenous Mollo • Defensoras de la Pachamama • Centre for Applied Legal Studies (CALS) - University of the Witwatersrand. **Presenters:** Aleta Baun • Aurora Lolita Chavez • Emem J Okon • Cristina Palabay.
**Wise and strong Latin American indigenous women: The rights of indigenous women, access to justice and collective power**

Indigenous women advance organizational political processes by transforming the realities that affect their rights. Through undefined processes, intercultural dialogue will allow for sharing of experiences and lessons on how Indigenous women have stood up to historical structures of discrimination by taking collective action in contexts of armed conflict, against States and organizations.

**Organizers:** REPEM LAC – Red de Educación Popular entre Mujeres de América Latina y el Caribe y Codacop – Organización socia de Colombia • Organizaciones invitadas: Tierra Viva (Guatemala) • Tejido Mujer Indígena de la ACIN (Colombia) • Qori Warmi (Perú).

**Presenters:** Janneth Lozano Bustos • Lida Paz Labio • Nélida Vásquez Miranda • María Reynoso Velásquez.

**Women on the frontlines: Women Human Rights Defenders in the Middle East, North Africa and Asia confronting extremism**

Women in the Middle East, North Africa and Asia are on the frontlines of the fight against extremism and militarism, yet their firsthand stories are rarely given the platform they deserve. In this session, women from the regions will describe grassroots approaches to peacebuilding, often in the most difficult circumstances.

**Organizers:** Peace is Loud. **Presenters:** Jamie Dobie • Sanam Anderlini • Sameena Nazir • Amal Elmohandes.

**Women stand their ground against exploitative mining**

Women activists from India, Zimbabwe, Guatemala and Bolivia share case studies of how mining impacts on women’s lives and present how they resist negative impacts and develop possible alternatives.

**Organizers:** Dhaatri Resource Centre for Adivasi Women and Children • Green Alliance for Gender Action, which includes Fondo Centroamericano de Mujeres (FCAM), Both Ends and Mama Cash. **Presenters:** Margarita Aquino Aramayo de Choque • Thandiwe Chidavarume • Roopa • Lorena Cabnal.

**Women’s leadership at a young age: The key to success in the struggle for women’s rights**

Success in the fight for women’s rights relies on investing early in strengthening women’s leadership and autonomy from a young age. Women’s futures depend on what we do for girls today.

**Organizers:** Débout Filles de Fizi • Solidarité des Jeunes Filles pour l’Education et l’intégration Socioprofessionnelle (SOJFEP/ RDC) • SOS Sexualité pour tous. **Presenters:** Giscard Mukucha • Beny Kiza • Denise Mbekanya.

**Women’s power to stop war: Peace across borders (regional cooperation in Africa)**

Africa is currently facing several violent conflicts. There’s a low level of women’s formal participation, and a growing political and social instability fuelled by uncontrolled flows of arms. For 100 years WILPF has worked across borders, through collective-power, to eliminate root causes of conflict and build sustainable peace and justice.

**Organizers:** Women’s International League for Peace & Freedom (WILPF): Nigeria • DR Congo • Cameroon • Sweden • Chad. **Presenters:** Joy Onyesoh • Annie Matundu Mbambi • Sylvie Ndongmo • Djibrine Amalkher.

**Women’s economic empowerment and worker rights**

The session will explore the intersection of economic empowerment and labor rights. We will discuss both how worker organizing can break down power structures and strategies to transform broader macroeconomic policies and institutions to ensure social equality, respect and the right to live with dignity.

**Organizers:** Solidarity Center. **Presenters:** Shawna Bader-Blau • Jaribu Hill • Junela Batista • Saida Bentahar.

**Women’s strike for climate justice**

This session will examine a feminist vision for a just, peaceful and healthy planet, in the context of the interlocking crises of climate and inequality. Civil society must...
unite and use our collective power to demand and shape a new and sustainable future, particularly through mobilizing for a global strike.

Organizers: Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD) • Women’s Environment and Development Organization (WEDO). Presenters: Nazma Akter • Kate Lappin • Bridget Burns • Alina Saba.

Working collectively towards global gender-just food and nutrition security

There is more than enough food in the world to feed everyone, but at least 805 million people go hungry every day and the majority are women. How can we take collective action to promote gender-just food and nutrition security that contributes to transforming gender inequalities?

Presenters: Alyson Brody • Sejal Dand.

Working the universal periodic review: Advocating at the United Nations for sex worker and trans rights

Sex workers and transgender communities have been successful in engaging with the Universal Periodic Review at the United Nations to hold countries accountable for rights. This session provides insight into how the UPR works, its strengths and weaknesses and how we can work in global solidarity for forthcoming reviews.

Organizers: Best Practices Policy Project • NJ Red Umbrella Alliance • SWOP-NYC/SWANK • Desiree Alliance • Davida. Presenters: Laura Murray • Monica Jones • Joyce Oliveira Santos • Derek Demeri.

Youth activists in the construction of strategies of resistance to the impacts of religious fundamentalism on sexual and reproductive rights in Latin America

The impacts of religious fundamentalism on the guarantee of and access to sexual and reproductive rights in Latin America; discourse and actions used to stop the advancement of human rights and that infringe upon the secular nature of the state. Share and collectively build counter-discourse and strategies of resistance to fundamentalist action.

Organizers: Católicas pelo Direito de Decidir - Brasil (CDD BR) • Rede Latino Americana de Católicas pelo Direito de Decidir. Presenters: Gisele Pereira • Maribel Martínez • Marlen Riaño Vivas.

HAVE TO GO TO THE BATHROOM?

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**WHRD Tribute**
A special evening arts program

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**Plenary 2: Experiences of Solidarity, Resistance & Creative Disruptions**

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**13:30 - 14:30**  
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Members only: Please eat lunch quickly in the restaurant near Bahia 2 and then come to the meeting.

**14:30 - 16:00**  
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  State of our feminist movements (part 1)

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  Feminist playbook for peace (part 1)

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Bodily integrity and freedoms (part 1)

**Bahia 2**

**Cross-Movement Initiative:**
BDS and the intersection of feminism and national liberation struggle (part 1)
### Bahia 3
**FRM**

**Bringing women's rights and environmental justice together: The power of cross-movements**

**Capitania Ilheus**

**Who cares? We care! Transforming economies towards care, worker’s rights and development justice**

**Capitania Porto Seguro**

**Women's strike for climate justice**

**Capitania Sao Vicente**

**When conflict presents opportunities: Syrian and Iraqi women's strategies for change in the ISIS conflict**

**Santana**

**Push back and step forward: Our human rights at risk**

**Sao Tome**

**Film Screening: The Art of Ama Ata Aidoo (Ghana)**

**Semente de Cacau**

**WHRDs confronting extractive industries: Defending territories, ensuring livelihoods**

**Porto Seguro**

**The Black Jacobin(e)s Consider Love in Praxis: When the NGO Isn’t Enuf**

**Gran Bahia 1**

**Toward a strong coalition of women’s organizations across Caribbean Francophone countries**

**Gran Bahia 2**

**Strategies for building a movement of men to end violence against women**

**Gran Bahia 3**

**The Theatre of the Oppressed Project: Race, gender and sexuality**

**Vera Cruz**

**Rojava/Kobane women's revolution & women's self-defence: Women’s resistance against ISIS & search for freedom in revolutionary processes in ME region.**

**Aimores**

**Women’s power to stop war: Peace across borders (regional cooperation in Africa)**

**Amazonas**

**Building a movement to fight inequality**

**Canario**

**Fighting for rights and justice in Chechnya**

**Gardenia**

**Film Screening: The Art of Ama Ata Aidoo (Ghana)**

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**10:30 - 11:00**

**Break**

**11:00 - 12:30**

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Bodily integrity and freedoms (part 2)

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**Closing Plenary:**  
**Key Forum Insights & Feminist Visions for the Future**

**16:30 - 20:00**  
**Rally in solidarity with Brazilian movements**  
**Shuttles will depart from each hotel between 16:30 - 17:00**
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— Audre Lorde

13th AWID International Forum goals to collectively build Feminist Futures

- Celebrate the gains of the past 20 years by diverse social movements and critically analyze the lessons we can carry forward.
- Explore strategies for mobilizing greater solidarity and collective power across diverse movements.
- Assess our current reality to locate the opportunities and threats for advancing the rights of women and other oppressed people.
- Inspire, energize and renew strength and purpose.