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## Members Update, issue 3

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### **WIDE+ Pitch available: Still not enough! Feminist want System Change, A Feminist Forum in Europe**

We are calling for a Feminist Forum in the late spring of 2021 to debate the status quo, and to share **strategies of resistance and change**. We aim **to build transnational solidarity among feminist initiatives** and to link our struggles, while building our collective capacity to understand and transform the world we live in. The forum will be interactive, creative and informative, with different ways of engaging.

**We are currently seeking partners to co-organize this Forum, suggestions for additional funding and volunteers to help make the Forum a reality.**

We believe that it is essential to bring together diverse strands of feminist analysis and collective practices to reinforce common feminist grounds for political action. **We aim to unpack how the current neo-liberal dogma** that still dominates political governance across Europe has ramifications beyond the economic sphere, affecting women's rights in deep and different ways.

We are convinced that the Forum will reinvigorate feminist action and solidarity and will unite us. We want to invite feminists to work together and network outside the Forum beyond local or national borders. This collaboration could be in the form of sharing information, working on joint projects, setting up a European campaign or joint advocacy.

[Click here for the full pitch \(in PDF\) and flyer.](#) And for suggestions, questions and

interest, kindly write to: [Gea.Meijers23@gmail.com](mailto:Gea.Meijers23@gmail.com).



**WIDE+ and members: Side events during UN Commission of the Status of Women, 9-20 March 2020, New York, USA**

WIDE+ is participating, or help co-organising the following side events organized by civil society during the UN Commission of the Status of Women (CSW), taking place in New York, USA, from 9-20 March 2020. Click here, [for more information](#).

**Trading Away Women's Rights: How Free Trade Has Undermined the BPfA**, organised by the Gender and Trade Coalition of which WIDE+ is part of the steering group.

**Rebooting the Women's Economic Empowerment Agenda in the Digital Paradigm**, organised by IT for Change in collaboration with DAWN and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung. WIDE+ is part of the working group of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung that helped made possible this side event.

**Accountability 25 Years On? Valuing women's work in economic and tax justice policy**, the meeting is organised by National Alliance of Women's Associations (NAWO), Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women (CRIAOW), Christian Aid, Make Mothers Matter, Tax Justice Network, the Global Alliance for Tax Justice and WIDE+. For the [full announcement](#).

**Reviving Beijing's neglected macroeconomic agenda: Tax justice for women's rights**, Organized by Gender & Tax Justice Group (Global Alliance for Tax Justice), of which WIDE (Austria) is a member.

**South feminist organizing: accountability and gender justice in South-South Cooperation**, organized by the BRICS Feminist Watch, of which Priti Darooka is a member (and also WIDE+ member).

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Coordinator Gea Meijers has on behalf of WIDE+ collaborated in preparing a progressive feminist economic agenda for the 25 years review of the Beijing Platform for Action with other feminist networks and associations: [Feminists speak truth to power in Beijing review, paper 1 Feb 2020.](#)

## WIDE+ contribution to EU Gender Equality Strategy: address racism and recognise migrant feminists

The European Union will soon publish its new Gender Equality Strategy for the coming 4 years. WIDE+ has stressed in its consultation the urgent need for political action to address the multiple discriminations faced by migrant women, which includes refugee, trafficked, undocumented and other women and girls that have arrived in the EU, the: [recommendations in full.](#)



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