Members Update, Issue 10

Do you have any suggestions of what to share with members? Email us at: info@wide-network.org

No Turning Back! A Feminist Forum in Europe in 2023: Co-Planners Needed!

We are calling for a Feminist Forum in 2023 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 plan for a 2-3 day event somewhere in Europe that can host at minimum 250 feminists.

If you are interested to co-develop this plan we have for 2023, kindly write to Gea Meijers, WIDE+ coordinator at info@wide-network.org.

Call for Expertise on Issue of Cat-Calling

WIDE+ has been approached by The Sphera Project about participation in a live chat on catcalling. Sphera creates multilingual videos, podcasts and events to encourage
young people to become media creators so that they can feel connected to current European issues as potential drivers of societal change.

WIDE+’s junior program officer Hana Turšič is joining the live chat on the issue of catcalling, on 11 August (link for the event will be shared soon). Given that WIDE+ has not previously worked on this topic, we are reaching out to you if you/your organization have experience or expertise on this issue. We are looking for contribution on pertinent talking points to enrich the discussion. Feel free to share it with Hana by 7 August (latest) at hanatursic1@gmail.com.

WIDE+ Signs Open Letter Calling for The End to Vaccine Hegemony #Vaccines4All

WIDE+ joins many civil society organizations in signing an open letter initiated by Concord Europe to EU leaders, the EU and UK heads of state and government to share vaccine knowledge and capacity with potential vaccine-producing countries around the world, especially in Africa.

The letter outlines 3 key actions, and calls for EU and UK leaders to overcome vaccine hegemony, support manufacturing capacity in other countries and support vaccine delivery in-country. We need to act now and ensure #Vaccines4All. You can take action by signing the letter as well as engaging with EU and UK leaders on social media.

New Publication Available: "Why the European Green Deal Needs Ecofeminism"

WIDE+ coordinator, Gea Meijers, along with Action Aid, contributed a chapter to this new report which maps the gender gaps and opportunities of the European Green Deal. Women Engage for a Common Future (WECF) and the European Environmental Bureau (EEB), together with a wide range of authors from CSOs, academia and
independent experts, produced this report.

This report maps the gender gaps and opportunities in the EU’s flagship European Green Deal, and provides recommendations on how to move from gender-blind to gender-transformative environmental policies. These include intersectional and gender equal environmental objectives, moving towards a feminist economy of well-being and care and ensuring the use of gender mainstreaming methodologies in environmental policies.

MEMBERS AND PARTNER NEWS

Atina Publishes New Study on the Violation of the Right to Privacy and Data Confidentiality of Children Victims of Human Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation in Serbia

This report, "Mankind owes to the child the best that it has to give" is based on a study that was created within the project "Reclaiming Privacy: A Tool to Fight Oppression" which is jointly implemented by the organisations Atina, Partners Serbia, SHARE
Foundation, A11 Initiative, Da se zna, and Belgrade Open School, with the support of the European Union.

The study represents a cross-section of the current situation in practice, where harmful actions such as leakage of information from competent institutions are repeated over and over again, as well as publishing the identity of minor victims of human trafficking and details of their sexual abuse in the media. As such, it calls for and reminds of the importance of preserving the integrity of the child's personality, reputation, dignity, rights and best interests of the child victim, and of the fact that children who have experienced violence must never be left without timely, adequate, legal, family and social protection from violence, as well as from secondary victimization.

GENERAL NEWS

Upcoming Webinar: Women Included or Excluded in G20: Implications on Gender Equality, 2 August, 1:30PM CEST
In the context of shrinking democratic spaces, economic crisis and pandemic, BRICS Feminist Watch intends to play a critical role in making noise evaluating G20 spaces from feminist perspective from the global South. The Seminar will draw on experts from different parts of the world. The outcome from the Online Seminar will help in developing feminist statement for G20 and inform a position paper.
Register for the seminar [here](#).

Young Migrant Women’s Political Participation Toolkit
Based on the voices of young migrant women, the research of various stakeholders and the experience of seasoned feminist advocates, this toolkit was made for practitioners in the field of migration who are motivated to locate and promote the voices of young migrant women within their own organisation and to promote a more women and girls centred and intersectional approach.

Accompanying the toolkit is a [report](#) that identifies the factors that hinder migrant and refugee women’s participation in international decision-making processes.

Crear | Résister | Transform: A Festival for Feminist Movements in September
Register [here](#) to be part of a global feminist community! Sessions will be announced in August.

Two BRICS Feminist Watch Reports:
International Financial Institutions have, over the years, grown in terms of size and complexity. The influence of these institutions is massive and affects the lives of everyone and everything. It is crucial to understand how they work and their impact on communities and ecosystems.
and provides recommendations inspired by practices which have shown to be meaningful and promising.

**The Care Manifesto: A Call for Action by the Economic Justice and Rights Action Coalition**

In the run-up to the Generation Equality Forum 2021, the Economic Justice and Rights (EJR) Action Coalition CSO and youth organizations leaders have run a number of regional consultations to gather local civil society inputs on women’s and girls’ needs and priorities when it comes to unpaid care work.

The results are captured in this Care Manifesto, which provides grounded solutions towards building a caring economy, placing women and girls at the center. With this joint manifesto, the CSO and youth group leaders seek to complement the ambition of the Action Coalition on EJR, and chart a way forward to build a caring economy.

During the Women’s Assembly, grassroots Indigenous, Black, Brown, and frontline women leaders, global advocates, and policy-makers will join together in solidarity to speak out against environmental and social injustice, draw attention to root causes of multiple interlocking crises, and present the diverse array of visions, projects, and influence. They impact millions of lives around the world. Many organisations and movements have been engaging with them to make them more accountable and to be people-centred. Feminists have been making some critically contributions in this area, and offered insights and suggestions from a gender and sustainability viewpoint. Two such reports:

*International Financial Institutions and Using Country Systems: Implications for Gender Equality*

*Financing in the Times of the Pandemic: Gender Implications of IFIs Support to India during the Covid-19 Pandemic*

*Gender Budget Brief: Success and Impact in the Framework of the GBWN in Western Balkans and Republic of Moldova*

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**The Free Fund for Girls and Women is Accepting Applications**

The Free Fund provides long-term economic resilience funding for adolescent girls and young women.
the diverse array of visions, projects, policy frameworks and strategies to shape a healthy and equitable world. It will take place on 25-30 Sept, register here.

impacted by COVID-19. It is now accepting applications from individual women, grassroots groups and others.