

- Are you a feminist from South Asia?
- Do you want to work collectively with other South Asian feminists on women's economic, social and cultural rights?
- Do you want to want learn, share and collaborate with others?
- Do you want to be with amazing women leaders?

*If yes.....then apply*

## SECOND REGIONAL FEMINIST FORUM

30 August– 1 September 2015

SRI LANKA



*Call for Participation*  
Deadline: 13 July 2015



**PWESCR (Programme on Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights) and SAFA (South Asian Feminist Alliance for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights)** invite you to apply for the **Second Regional Feminist Forum** to be held in Sri Lanka from 30 August to 1 September 2015.

The Forum will bring together South Asian feminists including PWESCR's Leadership Institute Leaders from South Asia to discuss and debate with creativity, passion and rigour the strategies for a regional women's network to advance women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCR). It will provide space for women's rights defenders to reflect on issues critical for women from all sectors of lives, as well as assess and develop collective thinking and strategies to address some of the challenges in their work.

The Forum will provide space to:

- Critically engage and openly discuss our strengths, gaps and tensions in our work in the region and in movement(s) and to collectively think of way forward
- Take stock of where we are, where we want to go and where we should go
- Build solidarity with feminists, movements and networks for regional and international advocacy
- Develop collaborative agenda/plan of action/charter for the region to advance women's rights, especially ESCR.

**When:**

30 August to 1 September 2015

**Where:**

Sri Lanka

**Participants:**

The organisers will select participants from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. Criteria for selection will be demonstrated commitment to feminist politics and human rights. Women from South Asia are particularly encouraged to apply.

**Language:**

English will be the language in use in the sessions. Organisers will try to help with local language translations.

**Registration Fee:**

The subsidised registration fee for the Forum is USD 100 per person. It will include 3 days of accommodation and meals. It will also cover costs related to the Forum facilities, resource persons and background materials. **All participants are expected to cover their travel-related expenses or any other expenses related to the Forum.**

**Scholarships:**

This Forum is supported by a grant from the Bread for the World and the KIOS Foundation. Through this limited scholarships will be offered to a few selected participants to cover their registration fee and travel.

**Application Process:**

- Please send your applications by **Monday, 13 July 2015** to [ktuteja@pwescr.org](mailto:ktuteja@pwescr.org)
- All selected participants will be informed by **15 July 2015**.

For more information, please contact:

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