

**Feminist Futures: Building Collective Power for Rights and Justice**  
**The 13<sup>th</sup> AWID International Forum on Women's Rights and Development**  
**May 5-8, 2016 | Salvador, Brazil**

## **Call for Participation**

### **Application Form**

**Deadline for Applications: June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

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#### **1. Contact Information**

Note: Please type inside the grey boxes only. For anyone using a screen reader please start your response with a space after the colon and/or question mark.

Each session must have ONE main contact person. All correspondence about the application form will go to this contact person. **Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory.**

\*First Name:

Middle Name:

\*Last Name:

\* Year of Birth (YYYY):

\*Language of Correspondence: English

\*Email:

Note: This will be the only email we will use to contact your group so please check it regularly. If we receive limited response from you we may be forced to terminate your group/session application process.

\*Phone:

Secondary/Mobile phone:

\*Address:

\*City:

State/ Province:

Postal/Zip code:

\*Country:

Organization Name:

Position in the Organization:

Organization Country of Origin:

Have you attended an AWID Forum previously? No

Have you presented at an AWID Forum previously? No

## 2. Session information

Note: Please type inside the grey boxes only. For anyone using a screen reader please start your response with a space after the colon and/or question mark.

Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory.

**A. \*Session title (20 words max.):**

**B. \*Session summary (50 words max.):**

Please note that if your proposal is selected to present at the Forum this will be the summary we will use to describe your session in the Forum programme booklet so, make sure it is ready to be published. AWID reserves the right to make edits as we consider appropriate.

**C. \*Session organizers:** Is this session being collaboratively organized by two or more groups/organizations? No

If you answered yes, tell us what groups/organizations:

**D. \*Call for Participation Themes:** Your session proposal should respond to a least one of the themes below. Please select the most relevant theme 1- 5 from the dropdown menu below.

- 1. Our gains & learning:** What have been some of the main gains for the rights of women and other oppressed people in your regional or national or local context in the past two decades? What strategies – particularly cross-issue or cross-movement solidarity and action – made these gains possible? What were some of the challenges experienced in the cross-movement or cross-issue work done? Have these gains remained in place or are they being eroded? What do we need to do differently to protect them?
- 2. Our current realities:** What is the nature of the current reality in which struggles for rights and justice are taking place in your regional or national or local context? In what ways are old threats to rights and justice changing, consolidating, or expanding? What are some of the new opportunities and threats to advancing rights and justice? Who are the new and old actors impacting these struggles? What kinds of responses do these realities demand from us? How do we construct these responses in new ways that strengthen our collective power?
- 3. Institutions and mechanisms:** What is happening to the institutions and mechanisms to secure rights and justice for people and the planet that were created over the past few decades by state and multilateral agencies as well as by progressive social movements? Where and how are they responding effectively to both new and old violations and violators? Where and how are they falling short? What new institutions and mechanisms do we need to create or engage with in the light of current realities? What will it take to bring these into being?

4. **Our visions:** What are the visions of rights and justice, a healthy society and a healthy planet that have underpinned your organizing? Are these visions still relevant and adequate? What new visions for equality, rights and justice are emerging from your experiences of organizing and from the new opportunities and threats in your contexts? How can we build new visions that are not shackled by the frameworks of the past but respond to their lessons? What are the principles and goals of these new visions?
5. **Our collective power:** What kinds of collective power and action do these new visions demand of us? Where are the opportunities for creative disruption and radical transformation? Can they be achieved by our existing organizing or do they demand new formations that do not currently exist? How can existing opportunities be tapped to build stronger alliances for working together across movements? What are the key alliances we need to build – across our boundaries - to increase our collective power? How do we build these relationships? What are the hurdles we must cross? What are new agendas for collective action in these critical times?

**Primary Theme** Select from the List

**E. \*Session Description (500 words):**

**Note: Your proposal should include the following:**

- **Objectives:** What do you hope to achieve with the session?
- **Description and methodology:** How will you organize or structure the session? What will be the primary content of the session?
- **Likely Audience:** Who do you expect would most benefit from attending your session? Who are you trying to reach?
- **Relevance:** why is it important to have your session at the forum? If not evident from the description, how does your session respond to the questions/themes described in the Call for Participation?

**F. \*Region:** Please specify which region (if any) your session focuses on: Please select from the lists which Primary and Secondary regions (if any) your session focuses on. If your proposal doesn't relate to any region select Not Applicable.

\*Primary region: Select from the List

Secondary region: Select from the List

My session is country-specific: No

If so, please select a country:

**G. Total number of presenters (whether speakers, facilitators, etc.):** 1Please note your session may include a maximum of 4 presenters.

### 3. Presenters' Information

If the contact person is also a presenter or facilitator, you must enter her/his information again here.

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### Presenter #1 Information

\*First Name:

Middle Name:

\*Last Name:

\*Country of Origin:

\* Year of Birth (YYYY):

\*Email:

\*Preferred language

(Please note this is the language that you would like to speak during the session.):

English  French  Portuguese  Spanish

AWID will provide simultaneous translation in English, French, Spanish & Portuguese in as many sessions as possible based on the resources we are able to mobilize for that purpose. We will do our best to accommodate additional language requests, but please note that this is entirely based on funding and cannot be guaranteed.

If you would prefer to speak another language during your session, please indicate that language below.

Other Language Preference (if available):

Organization:

Short biography (50 words):

Have you attended an AWID forum previously? No

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### Presenter #2 Information

\*First Name:

Middle Name:

\*Last Name:

\*Country of Origin:

\* Year of Birth (YYYY):

\*Email:

\*Preferred language

(Please note this is the language that you would like to speak during the session.):

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Other Language Preference (if available):

Organization:

Short biography (50 words):

Have you attended an AWID forum previously? No

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### Presenter #3 Information

\*First Name:

Middle Name:

\*Last Name:

\*Country of Origin:

\* Year of Birth (YYYY):

\*Email:

\*Preferred language

(Please note this is the language that you would like to speak during the session.):

English  French  Portuguese  Spanish

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Other Language Preference (if available):

Organization:

Short biography (50 words):

Have you attended an AWID forum previously? No

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### Presenter #4 Information

\*First Name:

Middle Name:

\*Last Name:

\*Country of Origin:

\* Year of Birth (YYYY):

\*Email:

\*Preferred language

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**Financial Assistance:** AWID has a limited amount of funding to support organizers/presenters in selected sessions who would be unable to present at the forum without financial assistance. Applications for AWID's 'Access Fund' will be made available to all selected session organizers by September 2015. Session organizers will be asked to forward this application to any of your confirmed speakers who may require financial support through the Access Fund.

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### **How to Submit Your Application:**

#### **Online**

We strongly encourage you to fill out our online application form at <http://forum2016.awid.org>. Once you have submitted your proposal you will receive login information and will be able to return to your submission and make changes and/or additions/corrections until the call closes.

#### **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

You can expect to hear back from us with the proposal selection results by September 2015.

Thank you for your interest in the AWID Forum.

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