DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DEMOCRACY NORTH-SOUTH CENTRE







CALL FOR YOUTH-LED INITIATIVE TO COMBAT GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

Share now your activism for women's rights to have an opportunity to participate in our next Workshop for the Empowerment of Women

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

The Workshops for the Empowerment of Women of the North-South Centre aim at ensuring the political participation of civil society organisations and promoting the regional cooperation and coordinated action in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean in the protection of women's rights and in particular by focusing on combating violence against women.

Following the previous regional Workshops (Amman 2017 "Strengthening Capacities of Women Organisations" and Algiers 2018 "Application of Laws on Women's Rights"), the 3rd Workshop will be organised in the third semester of 2019, under the theme of : "Narrowing the gap between the rhetoric and practice to protect women from violence" and will gather relevant stakeholders and experts in Madrid to discuss concrete solutions on the cross-border cooperation in protection refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls and the domestic implementation of the victim-centred approach.

ABOUT THE CALL

The North-South Centre of the Council of Europe is looking for a youth-led project/initiative to be presented at the 3rd Workshop for the Empowerment of Women. Your project/initiative must have proven a positive impact either at the local, national, regional or multilateral level and aim at combating violence against women and girls in the Euro-Mediterranean region.

By submitting your project/initiative, you may be invited in Madrid as a speaker to attend the Workshop and present it to decision makers, international organisations, field workers and others relevant stakeholders in the Euro-Mediterranean region who will be present in the Workshop.

If you are selected, the North-South Centre will cover the travel, board and lodging in Madrid, Spain.

Submission procedures:

All submissions must be made through the online form. Deadline for submissions is **30 April 2019** (Midnight – CET Time).

The North-South Centre will assess all submissions received within the deadline. Results will be announced on **15 May 2019**.

Specific areas of interests:

Combating sexual violence and abuse; combating stereotypes and discrimination; prevention; responses in emergency situations; domestic violence; harassment; children protection; refugee, migrant or asylum seeking women and girls; economic empowerment; coordination of relevant stakeholders; referral, counselling and psychological/social assistance to survivors of gender-based violence; data collection; gender mainstreaming; access to justice, to rights and/or medical care; etc. (non- exhaustive list)

Type of actions:

Campaigning; advocacy; awareness raising actions; research and/or surveys; education and/or capacity building; professional trainings

IMPORTANT DATES

- Deadline for Submission: 30 April 2019Selection announcement: 15 May 2019
- 3rd Regional Workshop for the Empowerment of Women: July 2019 (final date to be confirmed)

For any additional information, please contact us: nswomennetwork@coe.int