

The global situation of Women Human Rights Defenders

Join the **Women Human Rights Defenders International Coalition (WHRD IC)** for a critical discussion about the global situation of women human rights defenders

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Monday, 28 February 2011, 4pm – 5.30pm
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Women Human Rights Defenders International Coalition

The WHRD IC is a resource and advocacy network for the protection and support of women human rights defenders worldwide. An international initiative created out of the international campaign on women human rights defenders launched in 2005, the Coalition calls attention to the recognition of women human rights defenders. It asserts that those advocating for women's human rights - no matter what gender or sexual orientation they claim - are in fact human rights defenders. Their gender or the nature of their work has made them the subject of attacks, requiring gender-sensitive mechanisms for their protection and support. The Coalition involves women activists as well as men who defend women's rights and lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, and transgender (LGBT) defenders and groups committed to the advancement of women's human rights and sexual rights. The Coalition is currently composed of the following 23 members:



Amnesty International (AI)
Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD)
Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (Forum Asia)
Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID)
Baobab for Women's Human Rights
Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR)
Center for Women's Global Leadership (CWGL)
Coalition of African Lesbians (CAL)
Front Line International Foundation for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders (Front Line)
Human Rights First
Information Monitor (Inform)
International Federation of Human Rights (FIDH)
International Service for Human Rights (ISHR)
International Women's Rights Action Watch Asia Pacific (IWRAW-AP)
ISIS International
ISIS-Women's International Cross-Cultural Exchange (ISIS-WICCE)
The Latin American and Caribbean Committee for the Defense of Women's Rights (CLADEM)
MADRE (International Women's Rights Organization)
Peace Brigades International (PBI)
Urgent Action Fund for Women's Human Rights (UAF)
Women's Initiative for Gender Justice (WIGJ)
Women Living Under Muslim Laws (WLUML)
World Organization against Torture (OMCT)

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