## We Women's Environment & Development Organization

## **UNFCCC Negotiations Skills & Technical Language Training**

Hosted by the Women's Environment & Development Organization Gustav-Stresemann-Institut e.V. Friday to Saturday, 5–6 May 2017 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Distinguished Delegates and Colleagues,

WEDO, the <u>Women's Environment and Development Organization</u>, in partnership with the UNFCCC Secretariat, and with the support of the Governments of the Netherlands and Australia, is pleased to invite you and/or your fellow delegates to participate in a two-evening workshop- covering negotiation skills and technical language training- on behalf of the Women Delegates Fund (WDF) Program<sup>i</sup>.

This two-night series will focus on drafting text for interventions, decisions and other written outcomes of the negotiating process, with the aim of strengthening the participants' capacity to participate effectively in the negotiating process. The training will include experiential learning through a mock negotiation exercise and provide a set of tools and materials that participants can utilize in upcoming UNFCCC meetings. Beyond the training, we aim for these two nights to provide a space for engaging with other women delegates.

In 2014, Parties to the UNFCCC, via Decision 18/CP.20, established the Lima Work Programme on Gender, which reinforces the goals of the WDF by encouraging Parties and observers to support: *building the skills and capacity of their female delegates to effectively participate in UNFCCC meetings via training on, inter alia, negotiation skills, drafting of legal language and strategic communication<sup>ii</sup>.* 

Participants who can most benefit from this training will be newer women delegates with limited experience in the UNFCCC negotiation process (0-1 years); experienced delegates who are interested in honing their negotiation skills; delegates interested in broadening their network of delegates working in the UNFCCC.

There is no fee to join this training but space is limited. To apply for a place, please complete this form, <u>https://goo.gl/forms/VfihLmLQiIVnRqyU2</u> by Friday, 28 April 2017. Certificates are provided upon completion of the training.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to e-mail Prachi Rao, <u>prachi@wedo.org</u>. We look forward to your participation in this important session.

Yours sincerely,

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## Logistics

Venue: Gustav-Stresemann-Institut e.V. http://www.gsi-bonn.de/en/ Langer Grabenweg 68 D-53175 Bonn - Bad Godesberg +49 228 81070

Travel to the training session via train/cab will be reimbursed on-site.

## **Directions:**

- Between Bonn central station and Bonn-Gad Godesberg trams commute every 7 minutes (tramnumber 16 and 63).
- From Bonn Central Station U-Bahn Line (underground/tram numner) 16 or 63, direction Bad Godesberg. Leave tram at Max Lobner Strabe. Walk down Max Lobner Strasse to the end.
- From ICE-Station Siegbrug/Bonn U/tram line 66, direction Bonn/Bad Honnef.



<sup>i</sup> The Women Delegates Fund was founded in 2009 to promote women's leadership in climate change decision-making by providing travel support, capacity building and networking opportunities to women, particularly from Least Developed Countries (LDCs), to join and effectively participate on their national delegations at the UNFCCC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>ii</sup> <u>http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2014/cop20/eng/10a03.pdf#page=35.</u>