From September 4-11 2016, WEDO is excited to join thousands of fierce activists for the 13th AWID International Forum “Feminist Futures: Building Collective Power for Rights and Justice”. During the 4 days of the Forum, WEDO will focus on cross-movement building around women’s rights, environment and climate justice, exploring a feminist framing around ensuring a just transition and reclaiming power in our energy systems and in society. See details of our events below and follow our updates via social media.

**Events**

**UMBRELLA SESSION: Climate and Environmental Justice**

**Thursday, 8 September, 2:30 to 6:00pm**

Organized by: Women’s Environment and Development Organisation (WEDO) and AWID in partnership with Grassroots Global Justice Alliance (GGJA) and World March of Women (WWMW).

It is more clear than ever that meeting a catastrophic climate crisis requires deep systemic change, as well as strong climate and environmental justice work that places the sustainability of life, and economic and social justice at the core. This session will bring together and foster engagement between women’s rights and climate justice activists in recognition of the gendered impacts of the environmental and climate crisis, its intersections with socio-political and economic upheaval, violence and militarization, and the need to search for common feminist alternatives to the current system.

**CRITICAL READING**

In preparation for the Forum, WEDO, Awid, and IDS hosted an e-discussion on Umbrella Issue Climate and environmental justice from April 5th to 7th 2016. The summary paper can be [downloaded here](#). The aim of this e-discussion was to contribute to increased awareness and exchange on relevant issues and strategies, and eventually a stronger engagement between feminists and women’s human rights activists and climate justice advocates – small-scale farmers, grassroots, Indigenous, Black and islander’s communities, among others. Participant reflections on current climate and environmental realities pointed to the deep connections between climate chaos, environmental degradation, gender inequality and patriarchy, stemming from a broader political and economic systemic crisis.

**OTHER EVENTS**

- **How to Hold your Government’s Feet to the Fire: Accountability**
  - Friday, 9 September, 4:30-6:00pm, Bahia 3: Women’s Major Group will lead an AWID Forum Session, How to Hold your Government’s Feet to the Fire: Accountability, on on September 9, 2016 during AWID 2016 International Forum.

- **What We Feminists Need to Know about Climate Finance**
  - Saturday, 10 September, 7:30 am – 8:00am, Dalia 2: This event aims to create discussion and conversations about how the Green Climate Fund would reach communities in the frontline of a changing climate, as well as women’s voices and leadership play a significant part in the Green Climate Fund’s decision making process so that this money will be most effectively spent.

- **Women Strike for Climate Justice**
  - Sunday, 11 September, 9:00am - 10:30am, Capitania Porto Seguro: The session will examine a feminist vision for a just, peaceful and healthy planet, in the context of the interlocking crises of climate and inequality. Civil society must unite and use our collective power to demand and shape a new and sustainable future, particularly through mobilizing for a global strike.

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-VANDANA SHIVA

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