

PROFESSORS WITHOUT BORDERS

Sierra Leone Summer Education Programme 2018

Public Lecture Series in Collaboration with the 50/50 Group

Workshop 1: 28th July 2018

Title: Passing the Baton in Pursuit of Gender Equality

Description: While feminism and women's groups have made visible headway in international, national and local political, development and security issues in the past few decades, there are still many barriers to the ultimate goal of feminism: gender equality. An understanding of what feminism *is* and *is not* is still elusive in governance circles, the general public and even among some self-proclaimed 'feminists' themselves. Feminism has also been accused of being disrespectful of cultures and traditions, of being man-hating, and fundamentally harmful to the fabric of society, making it difficult to pass on the baton.

Ultimately, there are many different *feminisms*, some that pursue the goal of gender equality and some that may not. This workshop aims to discuss the disputes and make sense of the many different feminisms, with an aim to co-constructing a dialogue for how to usefully speak about and pursue gender equality in Sierra Leone.

Date: 28th July 2018

Time: 10.00am to 12:30 pm

Venue: The 50/50 Group's Gender and Women's Leadership Training Institute

50 OAU Drive. Tower Hill, Freetown

Registration Instructions: If you are interested in participating in this training, please phone:

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Or visit the 50/50 Group's Office

Light Refreshments Will be Served

Instructor: Sabrina White



Sabrina White is an Economic and Social Research Council-Funded 1+3 PhD. Her PhD is with the White Rose Doctoral Training Partnership and is in collaboration with the United Nations Association in the United Kingdom.

Her research focuses on liberal intervention and gender, and especially sexual exploitation in United Nations Peacekeeping Operations. She has nearly nine years of teaching experience at the undergraduate and post-graduate level at Regent's University London and extensive experience in experiential learning techniques, which have been used in university-wide modules, diplomacy training for the Dutch Army, and international Model United Nations (UN) conferences.

Additionally, she worked in development for a youth-grassroots organisation in Cambodia, which dealt with issues of children, gender, vulnerability and exploitation. Sabrina also has experience working with youth groups in the UK and has organised youth Model UN conferences for the past five years, all of which focus on youth engagement in international political issues. She holds a BM in Music Performance from Valdosta State University and an MA in International Relations from Webster University.

About Professors Without Borders:

Professors Without Borders (PROWIBO) is a not for profit social enterprise based in the UK with the aim of providing further, higher and professional education services to students and learners in emerging economies. We increase teacher mobility around the world by holding Summer Education Programmes in those countries and send professors to meet and train the learners, instead of taking them out of the countries. By doing so we stem the brain drain from those economies and preserve their human capital.

The organisation was founded in London by Dr. Caroline Varin, Mr Majeks Walker (Jr) and Princess Tessy of Luxembourg, all of whom share a common passion for education, and an interest in development. Since its inception in 2015, the organisation has held its Summer Education Programmes in Sierra Leone, Uganda, Thailand and India.

The organisation's ambition is to be the leader in global education, and to improve teacher mobility around the world, which will in turn give its students and adult learners the tools to succeed in their academic career and in their professional life. PROWIBO also operates its own Think Tank to share its learning experiences with other academics and policy makers globally.

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