



ZWRCN Information Centre introduces a new era.

The Zimbabwe Women's Resource Centre and Network (ZWRCN) is an information based feminist organisation with a focus on building knowledge and promoting gender equality and women's rights at all levels. It does this through collection, analysis, processing and dissemination of information.

It has an Information Centre which houses gender and development information. It also has always provided the following products and services for its users:

- Reading materials (books, journals, newspapers, newspapers clippings among others.)
- Study space
- Audio-visual materials (DVDs, CDs and CD-ROMs)
- Photocopying services.
- Reference services

What's New at ZWRCN Information Centre?

Internet Café

ZWRCN is moving on with technology to boost information access. It now has an Internet Café which is up and running. The Internet Café's main objective is to enhance information access through modern technologies. The Internet also serves to facilitate research and communication.

Internet Café opening hours

Monday-Thursday	0830-1600
Friday	0830-1200
Lunchtime	Closed between 1300 and 1400
Weekends and Public Holidays	Closed

It is only \$1 for an hour. The Internet Café is located at the ZWRCN information Centre: 171 Fife Avenue/7th Street, Harare.

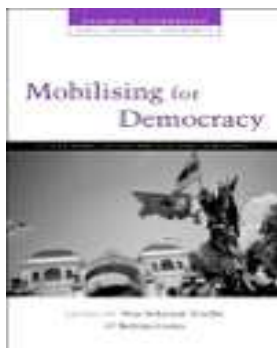
New Acquisitions

The Information Centre has acquired new resources to add on to its collection of gender and development resources. These resources are accessed at the ZWRCN Information Centre located at 171 Fife Avenue/7th Street, Harare.

ZWRCN New Acquisitions List

- 1. Mobilising for democracy: citizen action and the politics of public participation. Edited by Coelho, V.S.P and Lieres, B.**

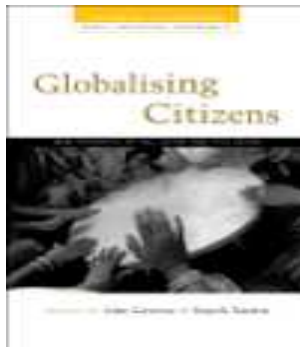
Published by Zed Books, 2010.



This book is an in-depth study into how ordinary citizens and their organizations mobilize to deepen democracy. Featuring a collection of new empirical case studies from a broad spectrum of developing countries it also illuminates the crucial contribution that citizen mobilization makes to democratization and the building of state institutions, and reflect the uneasy relationship between citizens and the institutions that are designed to foster their political participation.

- 2. Globalising citizens: new dynamics of inclusion and exclusion. Edited by Gaventa, J. and Tandon, R.**

Published by Zed Books, 2010.



Globalization has given rise to new meanings of citizenship. Just as they are tied together by global production, trade and finance, citizens in every nation are linked by the institutions of global governance, bringing new dynamics of inclusion and exclusion. For some, globalization provides a sense of solidarity that inspires them to join transnational movements to claim rights from global authorities; for others, globalization has meant greater exposure to the power of global corporations, bureaucracies and scientific experts, thus adding new layers of exclusion to already fragile meanings of citizenship.

Globalizing Citizens presents expert analysis from cities and villages in India, South Africa, Nigeria, the Philippines, Kenya, the Gambia and Brazil to explore how forms of global authority shape and build new meanings and practices of citizenship, across local, national and global arenas.

3. Reclaiming the F word: The new feminist movement

Written by Redfern, C and Aune, K.

Published by Zed Books, 2010.

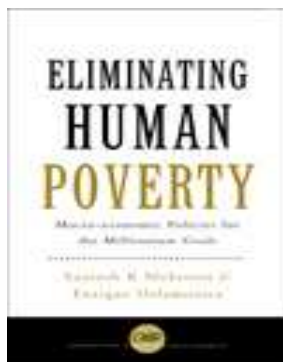


In today's post-feminist society, feminism is often portrayed as unfashionable and irrelevant. But since the turn of the millennium, a revitalized feminist movement has emerged to challenge these assumptions and assert a vibrant new agenda. Reclaiming the F word reveals what, why and how of the new feminist movement and what it has to say about women's lives today. From cosmetic surgery to celebrity culture and parenting to politics, from rape to religion and sex to singleness, this groundbreaking book reveals the seven vital issues at stake for today's feminist, and calls a new generation back to action.

4. Eliminating human poverty: macroeconomic and social policies for equitable growth

Written by Mehrotra, S. and Delamonica, E.

Published by Zed Book 2007



Eliminating human poverty has an ambitious agenda. It offers a framework for conceptualizing macroeconomic policies on the assumption that people matter. The authors demonstrate a sure grasp of the complexities of policy making to reduce poverty. This book offers an indispensable guide to policy makers and development practitioners.

5. Body politics in development; Critical debates in gender and development.

Written by Harcourt, W.

Published by Zed books 2009.

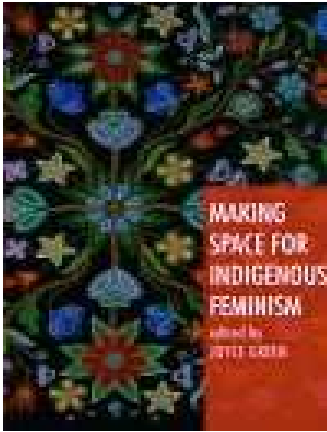


Body politics in development sets out to define body politics as a key political and mobilizing force for human rights in the last two decades. This passionate and engaging book reveals how once-taboo issues such as rape, gender-based violence, and sexual and reproductive rights, have emerged into the public arena as critical grounds of contention and struggle.

6. Making space for indigenous feminism

Edited by Green, J.

Published by Fernwood Publishing 2007

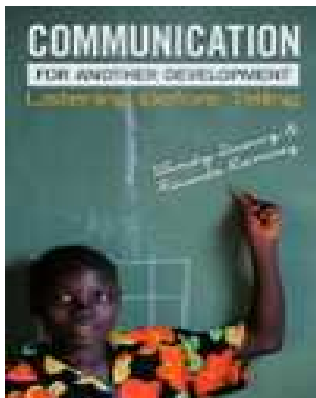


Making space is an extraordinary collection the knowledge and wisdom of indigenous feminists from... around the world... a fascinating and inspiring exploration of the meaning and experience of indigenous women ...(and) an important contribution to a truly inclusive feminist literature.

7. Communication for another development: listening before telling

Written by Quarry, W and Ramirez, R

Published by Zed Books 2009



This lively book argues that in the development process, communication is everything. The authors, world experts in the field as teachers, practitioners and theorists, argue that communication for development is creative and innovative way of thinking that can permeate the overall approach to any development initiative. They illustrate their argument with vivid case studies and tools for reader, drawing on the stories of individual project leaders who have championed development for communication, and using a range of situations to show the different possibilities in various contexts.

8. The gender politics of development

Written by Rai, S.M

Published by Zubaan



In this book, the author provides a comprehensive assessment of how gender politics has emerged and developed in post-colonial states. This is a unique compelling synthesis of gender politics with ideas about development from an authoritative figure in the field.

9. At the coalface: gender and local government in Zimbabwe

Edited by Tolmay, S. and Morna, C.L

Published by Gender Links

When the SADC Head of State signed the Protocol on Gender and development on 17August 2008 in Johannesburg they committed themselves to achieving at least 50% representation of women in decision making positions in the public and private sectors by 2015.

10. Making regional intergration work in Africa: reflection on strategies and institutional requirements .

Written by Makhan.

Published by the African Capacity Building Foundation, 2009

It has been barely six years since the African Union (AU) was launched in Durban, South Africa –two years of interim operation, and four years since the first college of Commissioners was elected in Maputo (the two-year interim period being the transition from (OAU to AU). Now, the continent’s leadership is engaged in discussions in respect of the creation a United States of Africa. However, what is it that Africans have achieved at the AU that already gives us the assurance that we are ready to embark on the journey towards the United States of Africa? Find out from this book...

11. Currency reforms in Zimbabwe: an analysis of possible currency regimes. Written by Kararah, G, Kadenge, P. and Guvheya, G.

Published by the African Capacity Building Foundation, 2010.

The government of Zimbabwe adopted a multiple currencies regime in February 2009 and demonitised the Zimbabwean dollar in July 2009 after almost a decade of economic crisis. The multiple currencies regime approach resulted in stabilizing the Zimbabwean economy; however, there are remaining concerns that need to be addressed. The purpose of this paper is to explore various options of currency regimes that could be adopted in the short and medium term in order to consolidate Economic stabilization and recovery in Zimbabwe.

The debate on currency reforms comes at a favourable juncture in the country's recent political economy, marked by the signing of the Global Political Agreement in September 2008 and the inauguration of the Government of National Unity in February 2009. In March 2009 the Government adopted the Short Term Emergency Recovery Programme (STERP) whose major goal is to stabilize the economy through increasing capacity utilization in all sectors of the economy, ensuring availability of basic goods and services and rehabilitation of collapsed infrastructure and service delivery. Since the adoption of the MCR there has been a marked decline in inflation to single digits, an increased availability of basic goods and services, as well as a slow recovery in capacity utilization. However, further progress is hampered by the biting liquidity crunch that is affecting the financial sector which is worsened by the loss of lender-of-last-resort function of the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe.

12. SADC gender protocol baseline barometer.

Edited by Morna, C.L. and Walter, D.

Published by the SADC Gender Protocol Alliance, 2010.

In August 2008, Heads of State of the Southern African development Community adopted the ground-breaking SADC Protocol on Gender and Development. This followed a concerted campaign by NGOs under the umbrella of the Southern Africa gender Protocol Alliance.

Although by 2009 summit, 3 countries had still not yet signed, and none had ratified the Protocol, the clock is ticking to 2015 when governments have 28 targets that they will

have to account for. In keeping with the Alliance slogan: “The time is now”, this baseline barometer provides a wealth of data against which progress will be measured by all those who cherish democracy in the region. Whilst there are several challenges, the successes to date strengthen our view that change is possible.

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