



**Call for Applications**  
**2010 Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship**  
***“Addressing the Sexual Vulnerability of Young Women in Africa”***  
**July 18th – 30th 2010**

The Africa Regional Sexuality Resource Centre (ARSRC) announces the seventh edition of its annual Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship (SLDF) Programme. The two-week course is scheduled to take place in Lagos, Nigeria from July 18th– 30th, 2010.

**About The Fellowship**

The SLDF addresses contemporary issues and emerging best practice in policy and programming for sexual wellbeing. The fellowship is designed to provide participants:

Exposure to cutting-edge conceptual, theoretical and programmatic issues in sexuality, sexual health and sexual rights.

Better understanding of the interaction between sexuality, development and social justice; and

Development of essential leadership, teamwork, public speaking and advocacy skills to advance the sexual well being of the communities they serve.

**2010 Fellowship Theme and Structure**

The theme for the 2010 fellowship will be - ***“Addressing the Sexual Vulnerability of Young Women in Africa”*** Participants on the programme will examine the social, cultural and economic factors that prevent young women from making healthy decisions and contribute to their vulnerability to poor sexual and reproductive health outcomes, exposure to HIV, sexual violence and undesired pregnancy. Focus will be on:

Identifying strategies to challenge social stigmas that prevent services from meeting the needs of youth;

Exploring how to bring to scale promising initiatives that address gender and economic inequalities; and

Applying an integrated approach to HIV/AIDS and sexual and reproductive health.

Fellows will be instructed by a multidisciplinary faculty of experts in the field of sexuality, community leadership and advocacy and public health. The fellowship is structured to promote sharing of ideas, team building and collaborative work amongst participants in order to nurture relationships that last beyond the fellowship period.

### **Audience**

This course is designed for young professionals in public service, civil society activists, programme officers/ managers in social development organizations or media practitioners. Applicants should be aged 35 years or below. Minimum educational qualification should be a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent and demonstrable experience/interest in the area of sexuality, sexual health and rights.

### **Tuition/Course Fee**

Tuition for the two-week course is US\$2,500 (This covers administrative and instructional costs, text materials, supplies, field trips, health insurance and group lunch on training days. The fee does not cover round-trip travel to Lagos, visa fees, accommodation or living expenses. The ARSRC offers a limited number of highly competitive scholarships on a cost-sharing basis. This scholarship covers tuition, accommodation and living costs while airfare and transport expenses are the responsibility of the selected awardees.

For more information and application procedure;

<http://www.arsrc.org/training/sldf/index.htm>

**Application Deadline; April 30, 2010**

Application forms download:

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