



Feminist Humanitarian Network

Become a member



Growing a feminist humanitarian ecosystem

What becoming a member of the Feminist Humanitarian Network means:

- Building alliances, and sharing resources and learning on ways to increase women's, girls' and gender-diverse people's leadership, agency and voice in the humanitarian system
- Co-creating a powerful global feminist advocacy agenda based on the progressive feminist work and analysis by members of the Network to target shifts in the humanitarian system
- Collectively advocating to donors, governments and other stakeholders for shifts in the current humanitarian system towards one guided by feminist principles.

Our Membership Principles:

Members of the Feminist Humanitarian Network must align with the Network's Membership Principles, which require them to:

- Be committed to a feminist approach
- Be women's organizations, or women-led organizations (where Board and management self-identify as women)
- Have a focus on gender justice in their work
- Have an inclusive and intersectional approach to their work, including being inclusive of women from the LGBTQIA+ community
- Be engaged in, or interested in engaging in humanitarian space
- Have the capacity to participate in the Network, and significant interest in belonging.

In addition to the criterion specified above, international organizations belonging to the Network must:

- Be committed to opening space for feminist and women's rights organizations in humanitarian spaces
- Be committed to supporting grassroots and national organizations to engage in humanitarian action
- Have operational safeguarding policies in place.

Who can join?

- Organizations and networks working at grassroots, national and regional levels in the Global South
- International NGOs, federations and organizations headquartered in the Global North
- Academic institutions
- Individuals

We are committed to transforming power dynamics in the humanitarian system, and to recognising and addressing power dynamics within our Network. As such, the Network is committed to a membership with at least 70% representation by Global South local and national organizations and no more than 30% representation of international NGOs, federations and organizations headquartered in the Global North.

Women's rights organizations from the Global South lead the FHN, and international organizations use their privilege to support this leadership in a variety of ways, including ensuring access for local actors to global decision making spaces within the humanitarian system.

This is also reflected in our decision-making structures, processes, and ways we work.

Our membership process

Please complete an online **application form**.

Your application will be reviewed by the FHN's Membership Committee and we will be in touch with any questions.

Once your form has been reviewed by the Membership Committee, the FHN Steering Committee will formalise your membership.

Due to workloads and the different stages of membership review processes, membership onboarding can take up to three months.

If you are interested in becoming a member and would like to organize an initial discussion with the FHN, please contact the FHN Lead.