

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

WOMEN AND POLITICAL INFLUENCE

Empowering women on the local level (Armenia & Lebanon)

The Robert Schuman Institute (RSI) with the support of the Eduardo Frei Foundation (EFF) – organises a seminar to assist EPP member and cooperating parties in Armenia and Lebanon by capacity building.

The overall goal with the project is to **help increase women's political participation** and influence, providing assistance that takes into account the different approach and conditions of partner parties. Based on feedback from partners, with this project we would like to **enable women to lead value and program based parties**, and to help them recognize, identify and represent the concerns of their electorate in their communities.

The project also provides a platform for **international network building** among like-minded politicians of the EPP family.

Regarding content, participants will attend a seminar of 3 working days, with English as the exclusive working language. Participants are further expected to work on **home tasks** together with a supporting team or working group to make sure that the project impact is not limited to personal development only. This is also to make sure that there is a concrete practical transfer of new knowledge from trainings to party work.

Practical information

Length and structure of the seminar:

3-day-courses as follows:

Women and Political Influence

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27 – 30 October (Saturday – Tuesday), 2018 in Beirut

arrival: 27 October until 14h, departure 30 October

For finalising the agenda of the seminars the special interests of the selected participants will be taken into consideration.

Target group: Applicants should be young **women** who are **members of local councils** or/and **members of local party boards** of EPP member / cooperating parties in Armenia, Lebanon. Participants (approximately 22 people) are selected on the basis of individual applications recommended by the relevant parties or organizations, without national or party quotas.

Pre-requisites:

- At least 21 years of age (born before 1997)
- **High level written and oral proficiency in English**

Application Process: Please fill out the [registration form](#).

Note: successful applicants must bring their original recommendation letters to the first course

**Deadline for
Applications:**

10 September (Monday), 2018 (arriving at RSI)

**Conditions of
Participation**

- **Active and full participation**
- Designing, implementing and reporting on a mini-project after the seminar

**Financial
arrangements:**

The costs of the course, including full-board and lodging (**for participants from outside Beirut region**) in TWIN rooms will be covered by the organizers. **Armenian participants should have their international travel costs be paid by their delegating party / organization, or by themselves. The organizers may be able to make a contribution** on an official request from the delegating organisation if necessary. Health insurance and local transportation should be covered by participants in any case. Organizers don't cover any local travel costs. If organizers gives any travel cost contribution or reimbursement – including visa costs –, it has to be previously requested and agreed.

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Should you require any further information about the seminar, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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