

MGA Advocacy Workshop on Women and Justice

This workshop is open to members of the Mercy World who wish to engage in advocacy for women's rights and systems change at local, national and international levels. Prior experience is not required but we anticipate that participants will be *interested in taking active steps to address issues concerning the wellbeing and empowerment of women throughout the world, particularly those facing systemic oppression and discrimination.*

Proposed Date and Time*:

Session One - August 8th, [4:00pm NY/9:00pm IRE/8am AEDT \(9th August\)](#)

Session Two - August 9th, [6:00am NY/11:00am IRE/10:00pm AEDT](#)

*It is expected that participants will attend both morning and evening sessions as the content covered in both sessions is formative in the advocacy workshop process.

Location

This workshop will be facilitated via Zoom video conferencing. A link to the Zoom meeting will be sent via email to all participants.

Workshop Description

This workshop will draw on components of Mercy Global Action's forthcoming Advocacy Guide (to be released in late 2023), including the Mercy Justice Advocacy Approach. Over the course of the two sessions, members of the MGA team will endeavour to equip participants with effective tools and strategies to advocate on issues concerning women and justice.

Objectives include:

1. Build capacity and skills for critical thinking, analysis and advocacy, especially in the area of women's rights and leadership.
2. Learn about Mercy Global Action's strategy for advocacy and how to participate in advocacy on priority justice issues relating to women.
3. Learn about opportunities to engage in Mercy activities related to justice and women's leadership, including the upcoming MGA Task Force on Women, Justice and Leadership.
4. Identify allies/networks throughout Mercy World
5. Discuss ideas for policy recommendations on justice issues pertaining to women based on intersections with the Sustainable Development Goals.
6. Encourage participants to seek out ways to engage in advocacy in their region
7. Instill curiosity and explore the theological dimension of women and leadership. How do we engage the theological dimension in our advocacy?

Presenters: The Mercy Global Action Team

To RSVP for this workshop, please complete the [Google Form found here](#).
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