



2021 International Women's Day Celebration **Achieving an Equal Future: #Choose to Challenge**

8 March 2021, 2:00 – 3:30 P.M. (Bangkok, Thailand Time)

Location: Online (Zoom)

This year's UN official theme on Women's Day is **"Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a Covid-19 world"**. We focus on our everyday lives – what/ how we eat, move, relate to others, communicate, study, work, and live our lives. We can choose to challenge gender inequality in our daily lives – any time, alone or with others. We believe that an accumulation of these everyday consciousness by individuals can lead us to collectively overcoming gender bias and realizing a more equal and inclusive future.

We will hear from three women activists in Asia who are fighting for women's rights.

Supecha Baotip (Thailand): a active activist behind the recent law to legalize abortion in Thailand. She is the founder and coordinator of Tamtang group.

Kakay Tolentino (Philippines): a leading activist who has fought for women's voice and leadership in the community, advocating environmental protection and indigenous people's rights in the region since the 1980s. She is the national coordinator of Bai Indigenous Women's Network.

Feminism In India Team (FII) (India): A digital bilingual feminist media platform founded and founded and run by a feminist team, FII works to engage youth and increase the representation of Indian women and marginalized communities on the internet.

This is an interactive webinar. We would also like to learn from the audience on what are your everyday action that you practice consciously to challenge gender bias. For those who would like to share during the webinar, please tell us what you want to share when you register. You can alternatively send us by email: gendev@ait.ac.th. We will compile all entries and share during the IWD event and on our website as well as invite selected participants to share live at the forum. Entries can be in any media format including images and videos. The deadline for uploading your entry is on **4 March**.

The event is open to all. Please register to be sent the Zoom invitation at <http://bit.ly/3pATAHr>





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Kakay Tolentino is an indigenous woman activist who has been at the forefront of defending the environment and advocating for women's leadership and indigenous people's rights for over forty years. Kakay is the national coordinator of BAI Indigenous Women's Network, in the Philippines which brings together 432 groups to prevent the devastating impacts of mining projects on indigenous peoples' ancestral land and rights by educating communities, organizing and leading advocacy campaigns.

Kakay Tolentino



Supecha Baotip is an activist involved for many years in promoting rights of women living with HIV, migrant women as well as abortion rights in the region. She is the founder of and coordinator of Tamtang which has been a leading force in the past decade in the mobilization and advocacy movement for safe abortion laws in Thailand. The movement was successful in recently having a law passed by the Thai parliament legalizing abortion in the first trimester.

Supecha Baotip



Japleen smashes the patriarchy for a living. She is the founder & editor-in-chief of Feminism in India, an award-winning digital bilingual feminist media platform. She is also a TEDx speaker, Rise Up Youth Champion, Swedish Institute's alumni and a WSA Young Innovator. She has been recognised by the German, Swedish and Indian governments for her work on gender. Currently, Japleen oversees the strategic vision and growth at FII.

Japleen Pasricha

Register

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Moderators:

Joyee S. Chatterjee (AIT)
Sara Vigil (SEI)

Agenda [Bangkok/Thailand time]

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| 2:00 – 2:10 | Openning and introduction of speakers |
| 2:10 – 2:40 | Presentation by three speakers
(3 speakers, 10 min each) |
| 2:40 – 3:00 | Presentation of challenges by audience
(2 min each, 5 – 8 people) |
| 3:00 – 3:20 | Q & A & Comments by the speakers |
| 3:20 – 3:30 | Wrap up and closing |