

# Women and Trade Union Leadership Network

## *How exchange participants will be selected*

This is to help you to understand what we are looking for. We will shortlist applicants according to the criteria below. All applicants must meet the essential criteria and must be willing to attend a selection interview on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at the TUC, Congress House.

**Closing date for applications: 1<sup>st</sup> November 2008.**

### **Essential criteria**

1. Current union office-holder
2. At least one year's experience of union office-holding (eg. workplace rep, equality rep, health and safety rep, branch secretary, regional or national official)
3. Willingness to travel to USA in March 2009 for one week to attend a women's union conference and a special project workshop and participate in all associated activities
4. Willingness to participate in a one-to-one interview with a member of the research team
5. Willingness to participate in a one week special TUC women's summer school in July 2009 and participate in all associated activities
6. Able to meet conditions of the US Visa Waiver Scheme (see [http://www.usembassy.org.uk/cons\\_new/visa/niv/vwp.html](http://www.usembassy.org.uk/cons_new/visa/niv/vwp.html))

### **Desirable criteria – one or other of the following**

Current or previous participation in union women's groups (eg. women's network, women's committee, women's conference, etc)

Current or previous participation in union black member groups (eg. BME network, race committee, black members' conference, etc)

Current or previous participation in union equality groups (eg. equality network, equality committee, equality conference, etc)

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## *Exchange Participant Application Form*

1. Name: .....

2. Home address: .....

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3. Work address: .....

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4. Email: .....

5. Home phone number: .....

6. Work phone number: .....

7. Mobile phone number: .....

8. Job title: .....

9. Union: .....

10. Length of union membership: .....

11. Union position: .....

How long have you held this union position?

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12. Previous union positions (with dates)

13. Can you arrange time off to attend: a) the March 2009 (USA, New Jersey) and b) the July 2009 (UK, London) Network exchange events? (Delete as appropriate)

YES I can arrange time off to attend both events

NO I cannot arrange time off to attend both events

14. Please give the name and 'phone number/email address of your regional official

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15. Please explain in no more than 150 words what you think you will gain from participating in the Network exchange events?

16. Please explain in no more than 150 words what you think you will be able contribute to the Network exchange events?

17. Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

Please return the completed form by **5pm 1<sup>st</sup> November 2008**, by email to: [dlewis@tuc.org.uk](mailto:dlewis@tuc.org.uk) or by post to Darren Lewis, SERTUC, Congress House, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3LS

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## *Exchange Participant Equality Monitoring Form*

As stated in the information sheet, our aim is to include as broad a cross-section of women as possible in the Network exchange events. Please help us to achieve this and to monitor our success by completing this monitoring form.

Name:

Age:

Job title:

Sector (choose one):

Public

Private

Industry:

Union:

Any disability:

Race/ethnicity (choose one):

White

Black Caribbean

Mixed

Black African

Indian

Other Black

Pakistani

Chinese

Bangladeshi

Other Ethnic Group

Other Asian

Number of children aged 16 or below:

Married/partnered/single (delete as appropriate)

Highest level qualification (choose one):

O levels, GCSEs or equivalent

A levels or equivalent

Degree or equivalent

***Please return Monitoring Form with application form***