

**Executive Secretary's Seminar Series:  
"Where's the Power in Women's Empowerment?"**

**A forum session by ESCAP – presenting the Research Program Consortium on  
Women's Empowerment in Muslim Contexts (WEMC)**

10.00 – 12.00, Monday, 4 August 2008  
Room 4, Level 1, United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok

**PROGRAMME**

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| 10.00-10.15 | Welcome remarks<br>Chair: Dr. Noeleen Heyzer<br>Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and<br>Executive Secretary of ESCAP                           |
| 10.15-10.30 | <i>Where's the power in women's empowerment and why does this<br/>matter?</i><br>Speaker: Ms. Vivienne Wee<br>Director, WEMC                                |
| 10.30-10.45 | <i>The material conditions for women's empowerment</i><br>Speaker: Ms. Bina Agarwal<br>Consortium Advisor, WEMC   |
| 10.45-11.00 | <i>Women's empowerment through freedom from violence</i><br>Speaker: Ms. Yakin Ertürk<br>Consortium Advisor, WEMC   |
| 11.00-11.15 | <i>Strategies for women's empowerment: individual, collective,<br/>organized, institutionalized</i><br>Speaker: Ms. Farida Shaheed<br>Deputy Director, WEMC |
| 11.15-11.50 | Discussion  |
| 11.50-12.00 | Concluding remarks<br>Chair   |

*Coffee and tea will be served from 09.30 onwards*