Cool Feminism: Exploring Ideas from the North

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At United Nations Headquarters
Tuesday, 10 March 2015
1:15–2:30 PM

Opening Remarks
Eygló Harðardóttir,
Minister of Social Affairs and Housing in Iceland and
Minister of Nordic Cooperation

New Grassroot Actions on Women’s Rights
Experiences from Nordic Forum 2014. Gertrud Åström, President of the Swedish Women’s Lobby

Stretching the Limits
Feminist Activism to End Violence and Create a Just World. Guðrún Jónsdóttir, Spokesperson for Stígamót, Counselling and Information Centre on Sexual Violence

The Revolution — In the Classroom
Hanna Björg Vilhjálmsdóttir, Mother, Teacher, Feminist

Transcultural Dialogues
The UNU-Gender Equality Studies and Training Programme. Dr. Irma Erlingsdóttir, Director of UNU-GEST and Associate Professor

Organized by the Women’s Movement in Iceland

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introduces feminist activism in Iceland and presents the demands of the Nordic women’s movement, written at the Nordic Forum 2014, a regional conference based on the Beijing Platform for Action that attracted 30,000 participants.

The event showcases feminist activism in Iceland, highlights the importance of collective action to achieve radical change, and discusses how we educate the next generation of active citizens on feminism, equality and gender, from kindergarten to high school. Finally, the promotion of women’s rights through a transnational dialogue is discussed.

All are welcome to attend. Those without a valid UN Grounds Pass should kindly be in touch with the delegation of Iceland (th@mfa.is) for a Special Event Ticket. Please note that only a limited number of Special Events Tickets will be available.