



## Call for Applications

### **Justice for All: Legal Empowerment Area Dialogue**

**Wuhan, China, 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> December 2012**

*Deadline for applications: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2012*

*(Participants coming from out of China may need a visa, so we strongly encourage you to apply as early as possible )*

Dear Friends:

Wuhan University Public Interest and Development Law Institute (PIDLI) is pleased to announce a call for applications for the upcoming regional conference – **Justice for All: Legal Empowerment Area Dialogue**.

#### **Background**

Around the globe, legal empowerment has been adopted as a crucial approach by practitioners who devote to enhancement of people's power and realization of human rights. Innovative legal empowerment activities have been taking place and spreading all over the world to help grassroots communities voice their needs and to work with them to actively participate into processes at all levels which may have significant impact on their lives by making use of law and legal services.

Having borne in mind the international development of legal empowerment, PIDLI, together with other partner organizations, have been making efforts in this field by promoting the notion of legal empowerment in order to enhance the public awareness and at the same time applying the notion in China so as to develop our contextualized strategies and contribute to the international dialogue. PIDLI is therefore bringing together legal empowerment researchers and practitioners from home and abroad to share their experience.

#### **Objectives**

- Experience shared among legal empowerment practitioners;
- Established network of legal empowerment practitioners;
- Future plan developed in respect to legal empowerment research and practice.

#### **Topics to be covered**

- Governmental legal aid scheme;

- Community-based paralegals;
- Community legal clinics – involvement of law students;
- Community legal education (among various groups);
- Monitoring & Evaluation of legal empowerment work.

### **Financial Support**

PIDLI will cover domestic travel expenses, meals and accommodations for conference participants. Due to limited funds, we are sorry for not being able to cover international travel expenses for participants coming from out of China.

### **Application Process**

The conference will be held between 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> December 2012, at Wuhan, China. The working language is Chinese. Simultaneous translation in English may be provided depending on the scale of English-speaking participants.

To apply, please complete the application form at annex 1 below.

You can send an application to **Ms. Zhong Huang, [z.huang1215@gmail.com](mailto:z.huang1215@gmail.com)**, before **Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012**.

### **Call for Papers**

The conference organizer encourages participants to submit papers. Papers will be included in the conference material and we will produce a symposium by the end of the conference.

Deadline for submission of papers is **Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012**. Please send your papers to [z.huang1215@gmail.com](mailto:z.huang1215@gmail.com).

## Annex 1: Application form

<b><u>Application Instructions</u></b>	
Please complete and submit the following application to <b>z.huang1215@gmail.com</b> by <b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2012.</b>	
<b>Organization/Participant Information</b>	
Full Name of Applicant	
Organization Name	
Title/Position	
Area of Work	
Address	
City/province/country	
Telephone number	
Fax number (if applicable)	
Email address	
Paper Title/Topic (if applicable)	

**Looking forward to meeting you in Wuhan!**

Sincerely,  
Public Interest and Development Law Institute

**JUSTICE FOR ALL:  
LEGAL EMPOWERMENT AREA DIALOGUE**

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<b>Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 2012</b>	
<b>5:30-6:30</b>	<b>Registration at Hotel</b>
<b>Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 2012</b>	
<b>8:30-9:00</b>	<b>Registration at Conference Venue</b>
<b>9:00-9:20</b>	<b>Welcome Remarks ZHANG Wanhong Director, Public Interest and Development Law Institute</b>
<b>9:20-9:30</b>	<b>Introduction of Participants by Group</b>
<b>9:30-10:00</b>	<b>Many Roads to Justice: An Overview of Legal Empowerment Activities Across the World GAO Wei Program Manager, Public Interest and Development Law Institute</b>
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<b>Group photo &amp; Tea break &amp; Speed Networking</b>
<b>10:30-12:00</b>	<b>From Legal Aid to Legal Empowerment: Governmental Legal Aid Scheme Development DING Peng Program Manager, Public Interest and Development Law Institute</b>
<b>12:00-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>14:00-14:20</b>	<b>Energizer</b>
<b>14:20-15:20</b>	<b>Help Those Who Help: The Roles of Community-based Paralegals and CSOs in Rights Protection DING Peng</b>
<b>15:20-15:40</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>
<b>15:40-16:40</b>	<b>Forging the Future: Involvement of Law Students in Community Legal Empowerment Clinic Moderator: CHEN Feng Deputy Director, Public Interest and Development Law Institute</b>
<b>16:40-17:30</b>	<b>Nothing About Us Without Us! Participatory Community Legal Education Moderator: HUANG Zhong, JIANG Yitong Program Managers, Public Interest and Development Law Institute</b>
<b>18:00-19:30</b>	<b>Dinner</b>
<b>Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 2012</b>	
<b>9:00-10:20</b>	<b>Through A New Lens: Learning From Practitioners Out of China Moderator: Gao Wei</b>
<b>10:20-10:40</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>

<b>10:40-12:00</b>	<p align="center"><b>Measuring Justice: Monitoring and Evaluation of Legal Empowerment Activities Moderator: CHENG Qian Program Manager, Public Interest and Development Law Institute</b></p>
<b>12:00-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>14:00-14:20</b>	<b>Energizer</b>
<b>14:20-15:20</b>	<p align="center"><b>A Jigsaw of Empowerment: Concept and Power Mapping Moderator: CHEN Feng, GAO Wei</b></p>
<b>15:20-15:40</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>
<b>15:40-17:00</b>	<p align="center"><b>Towards the "New Millennium": Open Space Action Planning Moderator: GAO Wei</b></p>
<b>17:00-17:30</b>	<p align="center"><b>Closing Remarks: ZHANG Wanhong</b></p>