CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR FIFTH ANNUAL RESEARCH AND ORIENTATION WORKSHOP IN GLOBAL PROTECTION OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES IN KOLKATA 23 – 28 NOVEMBER 2020

Applications are invited for the Fifth Annual Research and Orientation Workshop to be held in Kolkata from 23 November to 28 November 2020. The workshop will be organised by the Calcutta Research Group (CRG) in collaboration with the Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung, Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna and several other universities and institutions in India. It will address issues of global protection of refugees and migrants; ethics of care and protection; gender, race, religion, resources and other faultlines in the protection regime; neoliberalism and refugee and migrant labour; statelessness; climate change, environment and displacement. The structure will be – a four-day workshop including field visit and a two-day conference.

Research papers and/or creative pieces such as photo exhibits or documentaries relevant to the themes mentioned above will have to be presented by selected participants in the workshop which will deliberate on the findings. Reports prepared in the working group discussions will be presented in the conference with which the programme will end.

Applicants must have (a) experience in research work in migration and forced migration studies or policy work in relevant areas, or, at least 5 years' experience in the work for protection of migrants and victims of forced migration, and (b) proficiency in English. Besides giving all necessary particulars an application must be accompanied by two recommendation letters and a 1000 word write up on how the applicant's work is relevant to the themes of the workshop. Selected participants from South Asia will have to pay a registration fee of INR 6000 (or USD 100) and from outside South Asia USD 500. CRG will provide boarding and lodging for six nights.

Applications may be addressed to Kusumika Ghosh or Utsa Sarmin by email at forcedmigrationdesk@mcrg.ac.in with a copy to subhashree@mcrg.ac.in or by post to: MCRG, IA-48, Ground Floor, Sector-III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata-700097, India (Tel: +91 33 2335 0409). The last date for submission of applications is 20 April 2020. Inquiries related to the application process are welcome. Application form can be downloaded from the CRG website (www.mcrg.ac.in).

CRG enjoys extensive experience of running workshops on issues of forced migration, racism, and xenophobia. For last year's workshop report, please click on the link: http://www.mcrg.ac.in/RLS Migration 2019/Report on Migration.pdf

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