Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN) is a network of feminist scholars, researchers and activists from the global South working for economic, ecological, social and gender justice and sustainable and democratic development. For more information, please see https://dawnnet.org/.

DAWN is seeking applications for a Research Associate (RA) position from suitably qualified candidates, to support DAWN's work for the Feminists for a Peoples Vaccine Campaign (FPV) Campaign. The Campaign is fundamentally about challenging the power imbalance between North and South, by advocating for equitable access to DVT's as a mechanism to push for systemic change in the global health architecture, please see https://feminists4peoplesvaccine.org;

The work involves contributing to analyses and knowledge development to provide analytical and programmatic support around equitable access to COVID-19 diagnostics, vaccines and therapeutics (DVT's) by drawing on global South feminist and intersectional discourses. The research will focus on feminist critiques of the dominant economic model in the context of COVID-19, with a particular emphasis on the profit-centred pharmaceutical industry. The work of RA will also support a second dimension of the Campaign for DAWN’s coordination of advocacy and campaign efforts across Latin America, Africa, Asia and the Pacific. DAWN has built a coalition of global South feminist partners demanding fair and equitable access to DVT’s in the short-term, while simultaneously calling on governments to invest in R&D and manufacturing capacity to produce DVT's in the long-term. The aim is to broaden the coalition of actors by supplementing the technically focused access to medicines advocates with a coordinated community-based civil society response in the global South. The work will be done under the supervision of members of DAWN's Executive Committee. This will be an output-based contract, with payment conditional on meeting set deliverables. The proposed start date is July 1, 2023.
QUALIFICATIONS

• A master’s degree in gender studies/social sciences/public health/ international relations or related fields.

• A minimum of 5 years of experience in producing critical analyses and research focused on public health, gender and/or related fields, preferably with a feminist organisation and engaging in advocacy on access to medicines with a gender perspective

• Knowledge of trade, intellectual property and access to medicines would be desirable.

• Excellent command of English and writing skills

• Computer skills including Microsoft Office tools; other software will be a plus

Applicants must be well-organized; be able to work collaboratively as part of a team, as well as independently; be able to take initiative, prioritize tasks, and work under tight deadlines.

This is not a staff position. It is an ideal position for someone with experience of working for women’s rights or in a feminist movement on health issues; or for someone who has been working in the field of access to medicines issues impacting women; or for a more experienced candidate who is looking for a change.

Compensation will depend on qualifications and experience.

If you are interested in this position, please send your CV and supporting documents with the subject line ‘Vacancy- Research Associate’ to fem4peoplesvaccine@gmail.com by COB Friday June 16th, 2023. Only those who are shortlisted will be contacted.