

Experts' Meeting on Gender Equality and Policy Responses to Violence against Women

Bratislava, Monday, 6 June, 2011
Austria Trend Hotel

8.30 – Registration begins

9.00 – 11.00:

Welcome by Ms. Erika Kvapilova, Regional Programme Director, UN Women Central and Southeastern Europe

Introduction to the Research Project “Quality in Gender+ Equality Policies” (QUING), 2006-2011, by Prof. Mieke Verloo, Radboud University and IWM Vienna

**Setting the framework: Gender equality and Policy responses to violence
against women across Europe**

- 1. The Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence – Process and Implications*
Presentation by Prof. Feride Acar, Middle East Technical University
- 2. EU Policy Negotiations on Gender based violence: Framings, Degendering and Intersectionality*
Presentation by Dr. Lise Rolandsen, Aalborg University
- 3. Gendering Policy Framing, Gendering Implementation. A Comparison of Domestic Violence Policy Making in Central and Eastern European countries*
Presentation by Dr. Andrea Krizsan, Central European University, Center for Policy Studies

11 – 11.30: Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00: Developing Strategies to Prevent and Respond to Violence against Women in Southeastern Europe

Presentations should be maximum 20 min, followed by discussion

4. *Albania – MOLSAEO- One UN Partnership in Developing and Monitoring the National Strategy on Gender Equality and to Counteract Violence against Women*
Presentation by Ms. Etleva Sheshi, Chief of Department of Equal Opportunities and Measures against Domestic Violence, Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Republic of Albania
Contributions from Ms. Estela Bulku, UN Women Project Coordinator (One UN Joint Program on Gender Equality)

5. *Bosnia and Herzegovina – Implementation of the Gender Action Plan and Strategy for Preventing and Combating Domestic Violence 2009-2011*
Presentation by Ms. Samra Filipovic Hadžiabdic, Director of Agency for Gender Equality, Bosnia and Herzegovina

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13.00 - 14.00: Lunch

14.00 – 15.00: Developing Strategies to Prevent and Respond to Violence against Women in Southeastern Europe (continued)

Presentations should be maximum 20 min, followed by approximately 10 min for discussion

6. *FYR Macedonia: National Strategy for Protection against Domestic Violence (2008-2011)*
Presentation by Mr. Marjancho Todorovski, Coordinator of the National Coordination Body for the implementation of the National Strategy to Prevent and Combat Domestic Violence and State Secretary of the Ministry of Labour and Social Policy

7. *Serbia: Development of the first National Strategy for Prevention and Elimination of Violence against Women in the Family and in Intimate Partner Relationships*
Presentations by Ms. Snezana Lakicevic, State Secretary at the Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, National Director for the project “Combating Sexual and Gender Based Violence” and Ms. Vesna Jaric, Gender Advisor for the project “Combating Sexual and Gender Based Violence”, Gender Equality Directorate

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 – 17.00: Work group discussions

Participants will be divided into two working groups in order to discuss further one of the two thematic areas:

- A. Gender equality and gender based violence
- B. Multiple inequalities: the integration of multiple inequalities in gender based violence policies and the integration of violence as a domain of inequality in other gender equality policies (for example, in employment)

A. Gender-based violence:

Spain: *Representations of gender (in)equality in public policies surrounding gender-based violence in Spain*, Presentation by Silvia Lopez, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Serbia: *"Forgotten" forms of VAW: Are we developing comprehensive policies?*, Presentation by Biljana Brankovic, Independent Consultant, Women against Violence Network of Serbia

B. Multiple inequalities:

Turkey: Presentation by Gülbanu Altunok, Middle East Technical University

Netherlands: Presentation by Mieke Verloo

17.00 – 17.45: Plenary session – Conclusions and ways forward

Summary of the day and key points for the discussion on quality criteria for developing strategies to address gender based violence that advance gender equality goals

Participants who are able to join are cordially invited for dinner starting at 18.30!