

# GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION (GEC)

## ” Combating Gender Stereotypes in and through Education

With the participation of the Council of Europe  
Network of National Focal Points on Gender Equality

Conference organised by the Council of Europe  
in partnership with the Ministry of Education  
and Culture of Finland

### PROGRAMME

Helsinki, 9-10 October 2014



Ministry of  
Education  
and Culture

COUNCIL OF EUROPE



CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

8.15 – 9.00 am Registration of participants

## **OPENING SESSION**

---

9.00 – 10.00 am Opening remarks by :

- ▶ Snežana Samardžić-Marković, Director General of Democracy, Council of Europe
- ▶ Krista Kiuru, Minister of Education, Science and Communications, Republic of Finland
- ▶ **Guest of Honour:** Tarja Halonen, Former President of the Republic of Finland

### **Setting the scene – Armelle Loghmanian (France)**

“How are girls and boys affected by gender stereotypes: from playground to workplace”

## **SESSION 1 Role of the education system in gender based inequality**

---

10.00 am **Keynote speaker:** Pauline Moreau (Ireland)

**Exchange of practices and experiences from member states on:**

**Ensuring continuity in the combat of gender stereotypes throughout the education system**

*Cocky Booij (Netherlands)*

**Impact of the school system on masculine and feminine identities**

*Ilse Bartosch (Austria)*

Questions and Discussion

11.15 – 11.45 am Coffee Break

## **SESSION 2 Combating gender stereotypes in the education system: success stories**

---

11.45 am **Keynote speaker:** Maria Teresa Alvarez Nunes (Portugal)

**Exchange of practices and experiences from member states on:**

**School curricula and career guidance**

*Steven De Baerdemaeker (Belgium)*

**Teaching material/teachers**

*Ineta Upeniece (Latvia)*

*Hanna Björg Vilhjálmsdóttir (Iceland)*

Questions and Discussion

1.00 – 2.30 pm Lunch

### **SESSION 3      Mainstreaming gender in the education system**

---

- 2.30 pm      **Keynote speaker: Elisabeth Lønnå (Norway)**  
**Exchange of practices and experiences from member states on:**  
**Challenges in implementing the Recommendation on gender mainstreaming in education**  
*Bernard Wicht (Switzerland)*
- 3.45-4.15 pm      **Coffee Break**  
**Sharing of good experiences at local and regional level**  
*Nataliya Semenova (Russian Federation)*  
**Gender issues in history teaching**  
*John Hamer (United Kingdom)*  
**Questions and Discussion**
- 7.00 pm      **Reception offered by the Minister of Education, Science and Communication**  
**Venue: House of Estates**

## **FRIDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2014**

### **SESSION 4      Gender Equality outside the classroom**

---

- 9.00 am      **Keynote speaker: Maya Chivi (Lebanon/Canada)**  
**Exchange of practices and experiences from member states on:**  
**Combating stereotypes at pre-school level**  
*Jens Krabel (Germany)*  
*Kira Appel (Denmark)*  
**Parents role in combating gender stereotyping**  
*Carolina Suárez García (Spain)*  
**Questions and Discussion**
- 10.30 – 11.00 am      **Coffee Break**

### **CLOSING SESSION**

---

- 11.00 - 12.00 pm      **Conclusions and general recommendations by the General Rapporteur**  
*Maureen Bohan (Ireland)*  
**Closing remarks**

The promotion of gender equality in education is a prerequisite to the achievement of *de facto* equality between women and men in all spheres of life in society.

[www.coe.int/equality](http://www.coe.int/equality)

[www.coe.int](http://www.coe.int)

The Council of Europe is the continent's leading human rights organisation. It comprises 47 member states, 28 of which are members of the European Union. All Council of Europe member states have signed up to the European Convention on Human Rights, a treaty designed to protect human rights, democracy and the rule of law. The European Court of Human Rights oversees the implementation of the Convention in the member states.

COUNCIL OF EUROPE



CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE