

Elected in 2015, Gender Expert, then Vice-President in 2018, I am a candidate for Vice-President of the Standing Commission of the Conference of INGOs.

I was lucky enough to be able to:

- Participate, on behalf of the Conference and then on behalf of UWE, in the work of the Committee of the Parties of the Istanbul Convention, the Gender and Equality Commission of the CoE, organize seminars, training, events, be invited to speak in your INGOs, by the CoE, the Commonwealth, the Francophonie
- Participate in the writing of the Equality Strategy, a Guide of good practices, the Recommendation to prevent and combat sexism or the Recommendation on migrant women, with Member States, the Recommendation on the place of women in audiovisual with Eurimages, texts adopted by the Committee of Ministers.
- The fruitful collaboration with you for the vote on a Resolution on the use of the expression human rights, Recommendations, one of which is on the CoE website, translated into many languages.
- Since COVID, webinars with hundreds of connections, on violence, disability, artificial intelligence, etc.

After filing 15 Collective Complaints with the support of the EU, ETUC, EQUINET, invitations from the CoE to speak for the 25th anniversary of Collective Complaints on July 6, 2023, December 14, 2023 in Brussels.

Human and social rights are more than ever at the heart of our democratic societies and must be defended for the common good. My professional practice as a Lawyer at Court, Mediator and Teacher at the University of Paris 1-Panthéon-Sorbonne allows me to participate effectively in the work of the Conference and to collaborate with the CoE.

On October 5, 2022, Gerhard Ermisher presented me with the Medal of Honor for Volunteering in Europe awarded "for your constant and exemplary associative commitment to solidarity, European citizenship, understanding and rapprochement between peoples, civil society and human rights" according to the Award Committee made up of the Conference of INGOs of the CoE, Volonteuropa, CEV, AVE and I was moved by this recognition by our peers, as was the "Standout Woman Award International" awarded on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to the Chamber of Deputies of Rome or the invitation to meet on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Ursula Van Der Leyen, President of the European Commission, recognition of the work carried out on human rights. War on our continent is back, states are arming themselves, voters are choosing representatives of extremist political parties more often, anti-Semitism, hatred, obscurantism are taking precedence over reason and tolerance.

The Council of Europe is more relevant than ever and the Conference of INGOs has a mission of peace, respect for others, defense of human rights in this turbulent world, helping to protect vulnerable people, given education for all and a roof, to fight against poverty, the digital divide, against various abuses and to help European civil society be heard.

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