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Webinar on Administrative Data Collection and Analysis on Violence against Women and Domestic Violence 30 November 2020

As part of the joint action “Fostering a comprehensive institutional response to violence against women and domestic violence in Turkey”¹, the European Union and the Council of Europe, together with the Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Services, Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Interior, including police and gendarme, is organising a webinar on administrative data collection and analysis on violence against women and domestic violence.

The webinar brings together national and international stakeholders to discuss guiding principles and methods of administrative data collection, dissemination of data and evidence-based policy making to effectively prevent and combat violence against women and domestic violence, in light of national and international standards, including the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (the Istanbul Convention).

Background

Data collection is essential for the design and implementation of well-targeted public policies to prevent and combat violence against women and domestic violence. Effective public policies are hence based on informed decisions and responsive to actual social needs verified through data collection and research.

Harmonised data collection among different sectors and dissemination of data, while protecting personal information, is pivotal for co-ordinated actions. The Istanbul Convention requires, in Article 11, to collect administrative and population-based survey data as well as to conduct research to unfold the causes and effects of violence against women and determine the efficacy of methods to respond to it. Regular collection of comparable data and sharing it with relevant authorities and the public are the standards to be met under the Istanbul Convention.

In its reports on several countries, GREVIO² has urged to improve data collection systems to make crimes against women more visible to the general public. It also has identified promising practices of countries in this field³. As for Turkey, [GREVIO recommends](#) to improve collection of gender disaggregated administrative data by law-enforcement bodies and criminal courts (paragraph 78) and health professionals (paragraph 86), as well as data related to Law No. 6284 (paragraph 81), while ensuring

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² Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Istanbul Convention.

³ [Ensuring Data Collection and Research on Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence: Article 11 of the Istanbul Convention](#): A collection of papers on the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence” by Sylvia Walby, Council of Europe, 2016.



that such data collection conforms with the applicable standards on protection of personal data (paragraph 88).

Objectives of the webinar

- Contributing to the implementation of the GREVIO's recommendations, the EU acquis and national policies, such the Third National Action Plan on Violence against Women and Co-ordination Plan for combating violence against women 2020–2021 on administrative data collection and integration;
- Increasing understanding of relevant international standards on data collection and analysis for comprehensive policy making and co-ordinated responses to violence against women;
- Sharing experiences and lessons learnt in this field, including promising practices from other European countries on how to collect data, analyse and report on violence against women and domestic violence and how to integrate data collection systems;
- Understanding and discussing the general framework and practices for administrative data collection in Turkey to address current challenges and propose solutions;
- Encouraging co-ordinated data collection and dissemination among relevant public authorities, while protecting personal data, to achieve greater data interconnectivity and comparability in Turkey.

Format

The webinar is open to public. It will be held online through KUDO videoconference platform. Technical guidance will be provided to all participants for the use of online platform before the meeting. English-Turkish simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

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AGENDA

30 November 2020

10:30 – 17:00⁴

Moderators: Yasemin Kalaylıoğlu and Senem Gurol, Council of Europe

TURKISH TIME

10:30 – 10:40

WELCOME

Cristian Urse, Head of Ankara Programme Office, Council of Europe

10:40–10:45

Answering a pre-participation survey questionnaire

10:45 – 11:45

PANEL 1: EUROPEAN STANDARDS ON DATA COLLECTION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND TURKEY'S PREVALENCE STUDIES

Data collection for efficient policies and operations – Council of Europe standards and reflections from GREVIO reports

Biljana Brankovic, Council of Europe international consultant

Guiding principles and approaches to data collection in Europe: Harmonised definitions and indicators for intimate partner violence

Cristina Fabr , European Institute of Gender Equality (EIGE)

Human rights safeguards for data protection and privacy: Council of Europe's Convention 108 on Data Protection⁵

Peter Kimpian, Secretariat of the Convention 108

Research on prevalence of violence against women in Turkey: national surveys and research

Dr. İlknur Yüksel Kaptanoğlu, Hacettepe University, Institute of Population Studies

11:45 – 12:00

QUESTIONS AND DEBATE

12:00 – 13:30

Lunch break

13:30 – 14:30

PANEL 2: CHALLENGES AND POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS RELATED TO ADMINISTRATIVE DATA COLLECTION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Data collection on violence against women in health sector

Ayşe Akın, medical doctor in family and children's health

⁴ The indicated times are in Turkey time. Participants are requested to make the necessary conversions according to their time zones.

⁵ "Modernised Convention for the Protection of Individuals with Regard to the Processing of Personal Data" ("Convention 108"), adopted in May 2018. For further information: <https://www.coe.int/en/web/data-protection>

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Women's Access to Justice and Evaluation of Data on Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence

Dr. Gülriz Uygur, Ankara University, Department of Law

How to strengthen data collection practices in judicial sector in Turkey?

Meral Gökkaya, Ministry of Justice, Head of Department

Data collection and analysis by law enforcement for cases of violence against women

Olçay Erkiral Tavas, Ministry of Interior, Head of Directorate

14:30 – 14:45

QUESTIONS AND DEBATE

14:45 – 15:00

Break

15:00 – 16:00

PANEL 3: INTER-AGENCY APPROACHES IN DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION

Data collection for effective protection and support to victims: coordinated approaches and Austrian experience

Rosa Logar, Council of Europe international consultant

Data collection and inter-agency co-operation to tackle violence against women in Sweden

Anna Collins-Falk, Swedish Gender Equality Agency

New strategies on administrative data collection in the upcoming Fourth National Action Plan: steps forward for a more comprehensive and integrated data

Mustafa Çadır, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Service, Head of Department

16:00 – 16:30

QUESTIONS AND DEBATE

16:30 – 16:40

Answering a post-participation survey questionnaire

16:40 – 17:00

Conclusions by Biljana Brankovic, webinar rapporteur