

# MAKING EUROPEAN STANDARDS ON GENDER EQUALITY A REALITY FOR ALL WOMEN



” Achieving gender equality

” Ending violence against women and domestic violence



## SUPPORT OUR WORK TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY AND TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

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The Council of Europe is the continent's leading human rights organisation. It comprises 47 member states, including all 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.

**Call to support Council of Europe co-operation projects on gender equality and violence against women**

Women represent only 26% of parliamentarians in Council of Europe member States.

Women represent only 23% of ministers in Council of Europe member States.

Women represent only 25% of news subjects and 17% of experts in media in Europe.

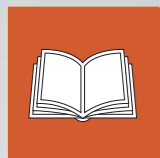
1 in 3 women in Europe has experienced some form of physical and/or sexual assault since the age of 15.

1 in 10 women in Europe has experienced some form of sexual violence since the age of 15, and 1 in 20 women has been raped since the age of 15.

# THE TIME IS NOW

Take action to make European gender equality standards a reality for all women

## COUNCIL OF EUROPE STANDARDS ON GENDER EQUALITY AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN



**Ground-breaking legal treaty:** the Council of Europe **Convention on preventing and combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence** (Istanbul Convention)



**Committee of Ministers Recommendations and Parliamentary Assembly Resolutions** related to gender equality (i.e. sex-based discrimination, sexist language, protecting women against violence, mainstreaming gender in education, in sport, in the media and in the audio-visual sector, etc.)



**Council of Europe Gender Equality Strategy (2018-2023)** – priority areas:

- gender stereotypes and sexism;
- violence against women and domestic violence;
- equal access to justice;
- balanced participation in political and public decision-making;
- rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls;
- gender mainstreaming.



**Case law of the European Court of Human Rights** addressing sex-based discrimination, violence against women and domestic violence



The Council of Europe's work contributes to the efforts of member States to achieve the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals**, especially goals 5 ("gender equality and empowerment of women") and 16 ("peace, justice and strong institutions").

## TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION: THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE'S ADDED VALUE



The Council of Europe's monitoring mechanisms assess compliance with standards and highlight areas that require improvements. Co-operation activities target those areas where further progress is needed. Standard setting, monitoring mechanisms and co-operation work are often referred to as the **Council of Europe's dynamic triangle**, which is part of the unique added value of the Organisation.

