

Combating Violence Against Women: The Role of Men & Boys

5 May 2023

Parliament House, Valletta

Programme

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| 08:30 – 09:00 | Registration and Welcome Coffee |
| 09:00 – 09:05 | Opening Remarks by Hon. Dr Anglu Farrugia, President of the House of Representatives |
| 09:05 – 09:30 | Keynote Speeches by:
Dr Lydia Abela, lawyer and spouse of the Hon. Prime Minister of Malta
Dr Helena Dalli, the European Union Commissioner for Equality
Ms Iris Luarasi, the President of the Council of Europe Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO) |
| 09:30 – 09:35 | Introductory Remarks to the First Panel by Hon. Rebecca Buttigieg, Parliamentary Secretary for Equality and Reforms |
| 09:35 – 10:35 | Panel Discussion on <i>‘The Need to Eliminate Harmful Gender Stereotypes’</i>
Mr Roberto Olla, Head of Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department of the Council of Europe
Mr Alexander Dimitrijevic, founder of Men Against Violence
Mr Alfred Grixti, Chief Executive Officer of Foundation for Social Welfare Services
Ms Antoinette Vassallo, Commissioner for Children
Ms Renee Laiviera, Commissioner for the Promotion of Equality |
| 10:35 – 10:50 | Q&A |
| 10:50 – 11:10 | Video <i>‘Istanbul Convention in Action – Protecting Women from Violence’</i> |
| 11:10 – 11:15 | Introductory Remarks to the Second Panel by Hon. Graziella Attard Previ, Opposition Spokesperson for Equality, Children’s Rights and Human Rights |
| 11:15 – 12:15 | Panel Discussion on <i>‘The Importance of Adopting an Intersectional Approach’</i>
Dr Marceline Naudi, member and former President of GREVIO
Ms Audrey Friggieri, Commissioner on Gender-Based Violence and Domestic Violence
Dr Claire Azzopardi Lane, Deputy Dean of Faculty for Social Wellbeing
Mr Brian Farrugia, Chief Executive Officer of the Victim Support Agency
Mr Michael Camilleri, Director (Human Rights Directorate), Ministry for Home Affairs, Security, Reforms and Equality |

12:15 – 12:30

Q&A

12:30– 12:45

Concluding Remarks by:

Hon. Dr Ian Borg, Minister for Foreign and European Affairs and Trade

H.E. Lorenzo Vella, Permanent Representative of Malta to the Council of Europe

Hon. Dr Anglu Farrugia, President of the House of Representatives

12:45 – 13:30

Opening of the Photo Exhibition on the same theme by H.E. Lorenzo Vella,
Permanent Representative of Malta to the Council of Europe and Hon. Dr Anglu
Farrugia, President of the House of Representatives

Coffee and light refreshments will be served.