

# Conference of high-ranking representatives of Ministers of Internal Affairs on dealing with Domestic violence

*“The police, a key player in the fight against domestic violence”*

*Co-organised within the framework of the French Presidency  
of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe*

## PROGRAMME

**Council of Europe  
Room G1, AGORA building  
Strasbourg, France  
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## Tuesday 24 September, Agora building, Room G1

**08.30 - 09.00**

Arrival and registration of participants. Administrative matters.

**09.00 - 09.30**

### **OPENING SESSION**

- Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate.
- Mr Jean-Baptiste Mattei, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France.

**09.30 - 11.15**

### **SESSION 1: Feedback from countries facing Domestic Violence – Exchange of experiences and best practices.**

Moderator: Mr Ivo Holc, Member of GREVIO.

- France: Mr Samuel Hosotte, Superintendent, Head of Prevention and Partnerships Division – Central Directorate for Public Safety - DCSP (France).
- Belgium: Mrs Véronique Walravens, SAPV Head of Service, Police Victim Assistance Service - Brussels West Police District.
- Scotland: Mr Iain Renfrew, Detective Inspector, Domestic Abuse Task Force Police Service of Scotland, Specialist Crime Division, Glasgow.
- Portugal: Mrs Telma Fernandes, Chief Superintendent, Oporto Metropolitan Command, Public Security Police (PSP), Victim Service and Information Office (GAIV)
- Spain: Mrs Marina Rodriguez Diaz, Head of the Area of Gender Violence, Training and Studies - Secretary of State for Security (SES) of the Ministry of Interior.
- Switzerland: Major Luc Broch, Head of the community policing of the cantonal police of Geneva.
- Turkey: Mr Savaş Ünlü, Head of Department of EU Affairs and Foreign Relations, Ministry of Interior.

**11.15 - 11.30**

**Summary and comments of the Session** by Mrs Pilar Alvares Molero, first gender correspondent for Spanish newspaper El País, Spain.

**11.30 - 11.45**

*Coffee break*

**11.45 - 13.00**

### **SESSION 2: The Council of Europe calls on European countries to strengthen their legal and judicial tools – Istanbul Convention and Lanzarote Convention.**

Moderator: Mrs Elisabeth Walaas, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Norway, Chair of the Committee of the Parties Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Istanbul Convention).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mrs Béatrice Fresko-Rolfo, Member of Parliament of Monaco, Member of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, General Rapporteur on violence against women.</li> <li>- Mrs Sabine Kräuter-Stockton, Senior public prosecutor (Germany), member of the Group of Experts on Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO).</li> <li>- Mrs Christel De Craim (Belgium), Vice-Chairperson of the Lanzarote Committee.</li> <li>- Mr Denis Roth-Fichet, Regional Director for Women's Rights and Gender Equality of the Region Grand Est, (France).</li> </ul>
	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>13.00 - 14.15</b>	<b>Buffet lunch</b> offered by the French Presidency to participants, by invitation. (Agora, in front of room G01)
<b>14.15 – 16.00</b>	<p><b>SESSION 3: The role of social networks, Internet and new technologies (NICTs) in preventing and fighting against domestic violence.</b></p> <p>Moderator: Mr Gianluca Esposito, Head of Action against Crime Department, DGI, Council of Europe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H.E. Mrs Meglena Kuneva, Ambassador, Head of the European Union Delegation to the Council of Europe.</li> <li>- Mrs Sandrine Masson, Commandant de police, Head of the police component of the portal for reporting sexual and gender-based violence (Police de sécurité du quotidien - France).</li> <li>- Mrs Isabelle Gillette-Faye, Director General of the National Federation GAMS (Group for the Abolition of Female Genital Mutilation and other traditional practices harmful to the health of women and children).</li> <li>- Mrs Stéphanie Caradec, Director of the Mouvement du Nid, member of the commission “Gender violence” of the High Council for Equality between Women and Men.</li> <li>- Mrs Olivia Mons, Director of Communication and Development at France Victims, IT application “Mémo de vie” (MAKE.org).</li> </ul>
	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>16.00 – 16.30</b>	Mrs Cécile Gréboval, Gender Equality Division, DGII, Council of Europe. Presentation of the communication actions to promote the Recommendation (2019)1 on the prevention and the fight against sexism.
	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>End of the first day</b>	

## Wednesday 25 September, Agora building, Room G1

08.45 - 09.00	<b>Arrival/Welcome of the participants</b>
09.00 - 10.30	<p><b>SESSION 4: Work together in multidisciplinary teams to provide effective support to victims.</b></p> <p>Moderator: Dr Anna Rurka, Chair of the INGO's Conference of the Council of Europe, University lecturer at Paris Nanterre University, Doctor of Science in Education.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mr Matthieu Arrault, Head of International Programmes Kering Corporate Foundation.</li><li>- Mrs Françoise Brié, Director of the Fédération Nationale Solidarité Femmes (FNSF) and GREVIO member.</li><li>- Mrs Liliane Daligand, Professor Emeritus of forensic medicine and hospital psychiatrist at Lyon, President of the association VIFFIL SOS Femmes.</li><li>- Mr Olivier Égelé, President of Stop Aux Violences Sexuelles - Alsace (SVS) Referent for the prevention of sexual violence at work.</li><li>- Mr Thuan dit Dieudonné Grégory, Attorney-at-Law, Former Senior Lawyer at The European Court of Human Rights.</li></ul>
	<b>Discussion</b>
10.30 - 10.45	<b>Coffee break</b>
10.45 - 12.15	<p><b>SESSION 5: Strengthening the mutual trust between citizens and police forces.</b></p> <p>Moderator: Mr Daniele Cangemi, Head of Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department, DGII, Council of Europe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Mrs Cristina Fabre, EIGE's Gender-based Violence Officer, European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) - Guide on risk assessment and risk management on intimate partner violence against women, for police.</li><li>- Mr Evgueni Boev, Lawyer, Registry of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe, Court judgments on domestic violence (Articles 2, 3, 8, 14 of the ECHR).</li><li>- Mrs Eva Pastrana, Head of HELP Unit, DGI, Council of Europe. The HELP course on Violence against Women and Domestic Violence.</li><li>- Dr Michael Boyle and Mr Jean-Claude Vullierme co-editors of the guide "Modern methods and techniques of police Interviews". Fight against ill-treatment by learning good hearing techniques - Interview of victims, witnesses and suspects of domestic violence.</li></ul>

	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>12.15 – 12.30</b>	<p><b>Reasons behind the victim’s reluctance to go to the police and file a complaint against their abuser. The stories of two victims.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mrs Pilar Alvares Molero journalist for “El Pais”</li> </ul>
<b>12.30 – 13.00</b>	<p><b>CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mrs Elisabeth Pelsez, Interministerial Delegate for Victim Support, reporting to the Minister of Justice, Garde des Sceaux, (France).</li> <li>- Mrs Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe</li> </ul>

