

MEN AND BOYS IN GENDER EQUALITY POLICIES



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Day 1 - Thursday, 27 April 2023 – Barbershop event

Conference MC: Jeremy Moakes, Head of Digital Communication and Editorial Division, Council of Europe

- 3:30 pm **Welcome coffee (outside Room 1)**
- 3:45 - 4:00 pm **Official opening**
- ▶ **H. E. Guðni Thorlacius Jóhannesson**, President of the Republic of Iceland
 - ▶ **Marija Pejčinović Burić**, Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- 4:00 - 4:30 pm **Concept of the Barbershop: background and experiences**
- Moderator: Roberto Olla**, Head of the Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department, Council of Europe
- ▶ **A. Edda Jökulsdóttir**, Special Envoy for Gender Equality, Iceland
 - ▶ **Gary Barker**, President and Chief Executive Officer, EQUIMUNDO
- Q&A session with participants*
- 4:30 - 5:00 pm **Men and boys as agents of change in gender equality: institutional perspective**
- Moderator: Roberto Olla**, Head of the Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department, Council of Europe
- ▶ **Andrej Slapničar**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the Council of Europe
 - ▶ **Ralph Kass**, Chair of the Gender Equality Commission of the Council of Europe
- Q&A session with participants*
- 5:00 - 6:00 pm **Men and boys as agents of change in gender equality: testimonies and inspiring contributions**
- Moderator: Roberto Olla**, Head of the Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department, Council of Europe
- ▶ **Sikou Niakate**, Director and author, France
 - ▶ **Gary Barker**, President and Chief Executive Officer, EQUIMUNDO
- Q&A session with participants*

Day 2 - Friday, 28 April 2023 – Men and boys and gender equality policy measures

- 10:00 - 10:15 am **Opening Addresses**
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- ▶ **Ragnhildur Arnljótsdóttir**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Iceland to the Council of Europe
 - ▶ **Marja Ruotanen**, Director General of Democracy and Human Dignity, Council of Europe

- 10:15 - 11:15 am **Session 1: Negative impacts of social norms and gender stereotypes**
- Session Moderator: Radan Šafařík**, member of the Gender Equality Commission of the Council of Europe, Czech Republic
- ▶ **Alia El-Yassir**, UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia
 - ▶ **Diogo Costa**, Researcher – Gender-based Violence, European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)
 - ▶ **Shahab Ahmadian**, Chairperson of MÄN, Sweden
 - ▶ **Babutsa Pataraiia**, Executive Director of Union Sapari, Georgia
- Q&A session with participants*
- 11:15 - 11:45 am **Coffee Break**
- 11:45 am - 12:45 pm **Session 2: Men and gender equality in care**
- Session Moderator: Guðjón Björn Guðbjartsson**, member of the Gender Equality Commission of the Council of Europe, Iceland
- ▶ **Ole Bredesen Nordfjell**, Chief Advisor, Reform, Norway
 - ▶ **Ana Lite Mateo**, Deputy Assistant Director General, Institute of Women, Spain
 - ▶ **Gordana Gavrilović**, Gender Equality Expert, Serbia
- Q&A session with participants*
- 12:45 – 2:15 pm **Lunch offered by the Icelandic authorities, Snack Bar, Ground Floor, Palais de l'Europe**
- 2:15 - 3:15 pm **Session 3: Role of men and boys in combating violence**
- Session Moderator: Lara Ferguson Vázquez de Parga**, member of the Gender Equality Commission of the Council of Europe, Spain
- ▶ **Iris Luarasi**, President of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO), Council of Europe
 - ▶ **Petra Stienen**, Senator (The Netherlands), member of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
 - ▶ **Sandra Jovanović Belotić**, Training and Capacity Building Manager, European Network for Work with Perpetrators (WWP EN), Germany
- Q&A session with participants*
- 3:15 - 4:00 pm **Concluding remarks/Closing session**
- ▶ **Conference rapporteur: Panos Kapotas**, Reader in Equality and Human Rights Law, University of Portsmouth, United Kingdom
 - ▶ **Claudia Luciani**, Director of Human Dignity, Equality and Governance, Council of Europe
 - ▶ **Ragnhildur Arnljótsdóttir**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Iceland to the Council of Europe

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