

# SE EU PRESIDENCY

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# EVENTS – SE PRES 2023

- **February (Stockholm)**

- Conference: Economic perspectives on gender-based violence – paving paths to prevention, 1-2 Feb.
- High Level Group on gender mainstreaming, 2-3 Feb.
- High Level Political meeting: A gender equal economy in a society free from gender-based violence, 27-28 Feb.

- **March (CSW67, New York)**

- High-level/Informal Ministerial Breakfast Meeting, March 6
- EU Reception, March 6
- EU CSW67 Side Event

- **March (Stockholm)**

- Conference on prevention models to address the demand that fosters trafficking for sexual purposes, 29-30 March

- **May (Brussels)**

- Seminar on gender equality in EU external action at Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU, May 12

- **June (Brussels)**

- Council Conclusions, EPSCO
- Accession to Istanbul Convention
- Directive on combating violence against women and domestic violence, agreement in principle

# Conference: Economic Perspectives on Gender-Based Violence – Paving Paths to Prevention

- Stockholm, 1-2 February
- The need for women's economic empowerment and the need to prevent and combat gender-based violence → economic perspectives on gender-based violence
- Approx. 170 participants: civil servants from national and European governments and institutions, representatives from CSOs, labour market actors and academia.

# Meeting of the High-Level Group on Gender Mainstreaming

- Stockholm, 2-3 February
- High-level civil servants from all member states participated in the meeting
- Presidency agenda point: gender mainstreaming in budgetary processes

# Political High-level meeting: A gender equal economy in a society free from gender-based violence

- Stockholm, 27-28 February
- Twenty-four member states participated
- Day 1: Gender-responsive budgeting: how a gender perspective in budgetary work can contribute to more equal societies, promote social and economic development and competitiveness
- Day 2: Preventing and combatting violence against women: incl. award-winning, innovative methods by different government agencies and actors

# EU Presidency Events at CSW in March

- **CSW: Informal high-level/EU Ministerial Meeting**
- Breakfast Meeting at the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, New York
- EU Ministers and Heads of Delegations to CSW67
- Theme: digital dimension of gender-based violence
- **High Level EU Reception at CSW**
- Co-hosted by Věra Jourová, European Commission Vice-President for Values and Transparency and Paulina Brandberg, Swedish Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life.
- Over 300 guests attended
- Hosted at the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations in New York

# EU CSW67 High-Level Side Event

- New York, March 7th
- In collaboration with the EU Commission
- Approx. 700 participants
- Theme: “A gender equal world with technologies, digitalisation and AI – What is our roadmap?”
- Open event held in the UNHQ, moderated by Melissa Fleming, UN Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications

# Conference on Prevention Models to Address the Demand that Fosters Trafficking for Sexual Purposes

- Stockholm, 29-30 March
- Participants: international actors, government experts and experts from civil society in Europe and beyond
- Aim: strategic discussions focusing on prevention and protection of people from being exploited in prostitution and human trafficking for sexual purposes
- Also on the agenda: the need to strengthen joint efforts to stop the serious offence of human trafficking



# Seminar on Gender Equality in EU External Action

## – Towards a Gender Equal World: Are We Making Progress?

- Brussels, May 12th
- At the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU
- Interactive seminar organised by the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU, the European External Action Service and the European Commission Directorate-General for International Partnerships
- Aim: discuss take aways from the independent mid-term evaluation of the EU Gender Action Plan III → focus on women's economic empowerment and gender mainstreaming of projects under the Global Gateway

# Strategic Deliverables under the SE Presidency

- Council Conclusions on Mainstreaming a Gender Equality Perspective in Policies, Programmes and Budgets
- EU's accession to the Istanbul Convention
- Directive on combating violence against women and domestic violence

# Thank you!

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