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**EUROPEAN GENDER
EQUALITY WEEK**

23 – 29 OCTOBER 2023



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Monday, 23 October 2023

External event

9:30 - 16:45

The Foundation for European Progressive Studies ([FEPS](#)) and Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung ([FES](#))

Brussels, Renaissance Brussels Hotel

- Conference [Walking the Talk – Feminist Foreign Policy in Action](#)

15:30 - 17:00

European Parliament.
Committee on Foreign Affairs ([AFET](#))
Subcommittee on Security and Defence ([SEDE](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 2Q2

- Hearing on “**Situation in Syria 12 years after the revolution: Standstill, Dynamics, EU response, and Future Prospects?**”

15:30 - 16:30

European Parliament. Committee on Fisheries ([PECH](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 1E2

- Exchange of views with Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) on **the status of women in agri-food**

systems with a special focus on gender equality in fisheries and aquaculture

16:30 - 18:30 European Parliament
Committee on Budgets ([BUDG](#))
Committee on Budgetary Control ([CONT](#))
Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 6Q2

- Exchange of views on **gender mainstreaming in the EU budget**

18:30 European Parliament. [LUX Audience Award, Civil Society Outreach Unit, DG COMM](#)

Brussels, European Parliament, Info Hub

- **Film screening** of the 2024 LUX Audience Award nominated film "[Smoke Sauna Sisterhood](#)" by Anna Hints

All day European Parliament
and
Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Brussels, European Parliament, Yehudi Menuhin space

- **Photo exhibition** from the Kingdom of the Netherlands in collaboration with Carla van de Puttelaar "[Prominent and Promising Women in the EU](#)"

Tuesday, 24 October 2023

9:30 - 11:00 European Parliament
Committee on Constitutional Affairs ([AFCO](#))
Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 6Q2

- Hearing “**Elect her – how to support women's political participation**”

10:00 - 10:45 European Parliament. Committee on International Trade ([INTA](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 4Q1

- Exchange of views on **impact of the EU horizontal trade policies on gender**

External event

10:30 - 13:00

European Institute for Gender Equality ([EIGE](#))

Online

- [Gender Equality Index 2023 Conference](#)

11:00 - 12:00

European Parliament. Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

in association with

Delegation for relations with Belarus ([D-BY](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 6Q2

- Exchange of views on the **Situation of Women in Belarus**

11:00 - 11:30

European Parliament. Committee on Petitions ([PETI](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 1G3

- Petition 0195/2023 by Manuel Cascos (Spanish), on behalf of Sindicato de Enfermería (SATSE), on **alleged discrimination of nurses in Spain**

11:30 - 12:30

European Parliament. Committee on Development ([DEVE](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 1G2

- **Advancing gender equality in EU development policy**

14:30 - 16:00

European Parliament

Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs ([ECON](#))

Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

Brussels, SPAAK 1A2

- **Women in Economics and Finance.** Debate on next challenges in the EU

16:15 - 17:15 European Parliament. Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 6Q2

- Presentation of the **Gender Equality Index (EIGE)**

17:15 - 17:30 European Parliament. Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 6Q2

- Reporting back to Committee: **Combating violence against women and domestic violence**

17:30 - 18:30 European Parliament. Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality ([FEMM](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 6Q2

- Exchange of views on **Pay transparency, gender pay gap and pension gap** with Commissioner Dalli

18:30 - 20:00 European Parliament. Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament ([S&D](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 1G1

- Event hosted by Members of the European Parliament Lina Galvez and Beatrice Covassi "**Female Genome and Gender-perspective in Science and Medicine**"

19:30 - 22:00 European Parliament. Vice President of the Parliament Evelyn Regner

Brussels, SPAAK 7C50

- Screening of film "[precious LIEBENSWERT](#)" about prostitution in the EU followed by a Q&A with the filmmaker. Registration to the event - [here](#)

All day

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Wednesday, 25 October 2023

External event

9:30 - 12:15

European Committee of the Regions ([CoR](#))

Brussels, JDE53 / Hybrid

- [Conference “Local and regional strategies for closing the gender gap in politics: Roads taken and what’s next?”](#)

10:30 - 11:30

European Parliament. Subcommittee on Public Health
([SANT](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 3G2

- Presentation of the study: “**Women, power, and cancer: a Lancet Commission**”. The [study](#) will be presented by Dr. Isabelle Soerjomataram, Deputy Head of the cancer surveillance branch at the International Agency for Research on Cancer (WHO)

External event

11:00 - 12:30

Belgian Federal Parliament

Brussels, Hemicycle of the Belgian House of Representatives

- A ceremony to present a **commemorative coin issued by the Royal Mint of Belgium on the occasion of 75 years of women's suffrage**. More information about the coin can be found [here](#) and at [Royal Mint of Belgium | FPS Finances](#).

11:30 - 12:30 European Parliament. Committee on Employment and Social Affairs ([EMPL](#))

Brussels, SPAAK 1A002

- Exchange of views with EIGE on "**Digitalisation of the labour market: opportunities and obstacles for gender inclusive employment**"

External event

12:30 - 13:30 Party of European Socialists Group. European Committee of the Regions ([PES Group](#))

Brussels, European Parliament, SPINELLI 1G369

- Event on "[Combatting violence against women in cities and regions](#)"

14:30 - 15:15 European Parliament. Committee on Industry, Research and Energy ([ITRE](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 2Q2

- Exchange of views with Annabel Wildschut, Research Officer, European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE), on **gender-equal transition to clean energy: patterns of behaviour, structural inequalities and opportunities**

External event

15:00 - 16:00 European Economic and Social Committee ([EESC](#))

[Online](#)

- **EESC Plenary: "[Empowering Change: Charting the future of Gender Equality](#)"**, with the presence of Vice President of European Parliament Evelyn Regner and Commissioner Helena Dalli

[European Gender Equality Week 2023 - Related Agenda of EESC](#)

All day

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Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

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Thursday, 26 October 2023

9:00 - 10:00 European Parliament. Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development ([AGRI](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 4Q1

- Exchange of views on **Gender equality in Rural areas - state of play and perspective in Europa and beyond** with Lauren PHILIPS, Deputy Director, FAO's Office on Inclusive Rural Transformation and Gender Equality, Rome, Italy and Marzia DI PASTINA, winner of Innovation Award for Women farmers 2023, member of Alleanza delle cooperative italiane agroalimentare

10:15 - 11:15 European Parliament. Committee on Transport and Tourism ([TRAN](#))

Brussels, SPAAK 3C50

- Exchange of views on "**Woman in Transport**" with Mrs Elisabeth Kotthaus, the representative of the European Commission (DG MOVE) in charge of the Gender Equality in Transport and Ms Blandine Mollard, Gender Equality Researcher, EIGE

11:00 - 12:00 European Parliament. Delegation to the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly ([DACP](#))

Brussels, VoxBox

- **Conversation with women parliamentarians in Africa on gender and democracy**

External event

11:00 - 14:00 Representation of the Free State of Saxony to the European Union

Representation of the Free State of Saxony to the European Union, Avenue d'Auderghem 67, B-1040 Brussels

- Event “**Structural Change in European Regions: Why Gender Equity is an Important Key Factor for a Success Story**”

11:30 - 13:00

European Parliament
 Subcommittee on Human Rights ([DROI](#))
jointly with
 Delegation for relations with Afghanistan ([D-AF](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 1E2

- Exchange of views on the **deterioration of women’s rights and safety in Afghanistan under Taliban rule**

11:30 - 14:00

European Parliament. Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament ([S&D](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 5G315

- Lunch event hosted by MEP Vera TAX on **how conservative, extreme-right organisations influence the public debate and decision-making on gender equality and LGBTI-rights**. An afternoon where we will discuss together our **strategies on how to deal with the discourse and disinformation that these organisations spread**

12:00 - 13:00

European Parliament. DG PERS

Brussels, VoxBox / hybrid event

- Event "**Practicing What We Preach - Gender Equality in the EP management**"

Subsequent events/ November

Tuesday, 7 November 2023

15:30 - 16:30

European Parliament
 Committee on Budgets ([BUDG](#))

Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs ([ECON](#))

Brussels, ANTALL 4Q1

- Exchange of views on the **Technical Support Instrument (TSI) with Commissioner Elisa Ferreira**

Wednesday, 15 November 2023

External event

14:30 - 15:40

European Economic and Social Committee ([EESC](#))

Brussels, [Online](#)

- Public debate on “[Gender inequality in access to financial markets. Causes, consequences and policy solutions](#)”

[European Gender Equality Week 2023 - Related Agenda of EESC](#)

Thursday, 16 November 2023

11:30 - 13:00

European Parliament. Delegation for relations with Serbia ([D-RS](#))

Brussels, SPINELLI 5G3

- Official launch of the 7th edition of the Kvinna till Kvinna report ‘**Women’s Rights in the Western Balkans**’ in the presence of representatives of partner organisations from the six Western Balkan countries, followed by an exchange of views – Members of all Delegations for relations with Western Balkan countries are invited to the event.