Timeline: milestones in the EU's fight for women's rights (video)

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Equal rights in the EU have come a long way, but the Covid-19 pandemic could put them at risk. Watch our video for some of the milestones.

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" Equality between women and men must be ensured in all areas, including employment, work and pay "

Article 23 of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights

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Find out how the European Parliament fights for gender equality

As the Parliament marks International Women's Day on 8 March, find out what action it has taken recently to improve gender equality:

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- Guaranteeing climate justice - adopting measures to mitigate the impact of climate change on women (2017)
- Combatting sexual harassment in the workplace, public place, political life, online and offline (2018)
- Adopting new rules on work-life balance with higher minimum standards for parental and carers' leave (2019)
- Calling for specific reduction targets, investment, working arrangements and training to close the gender pay gap (2020)
- Calling for the eradication of female genital mutilation (2020)
- Promoting female participation in the digital economy and proposing measures to tackle the digital gender gap and encourage girls to study science, technology, engineering maths as well as ICT subjects (2021)
- Reiterating the call for countries to ratify the Istanbul Convention fighting gender-based violence (2021)

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" Not only can women weather any crises, they are also at the forefront of future politics. Let's finally make the 21st century the century of women "

Evelyn Regner

Chair of the women's rights committee

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Gender and the recovery

Parliament wants the European Commission and EU countries to allocate resources to help women recover from the crisis, particularly regarding employment, violence and health rights. It also wants gender equality to be one of the priorities of the upcoming Conference on the Future of Europe.

On 8 March, the Parliament will mark International Women's Day during its plenary session. A few days before that on 4 March, the women's rights committee will host the event We are strong: women leading the fight against Covid-19.

Watch the event online on 4 March from 9.00 CET.

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