



**WOMEN AGAINST
VIOLENCE EUROPE**

22nd CONFERENCE
Oct. 7 – 8, 2020

STRUCTURAL INEQUALITY:

**the root of the global pandemic
of violence against women**



Wednesday, 7th of October 2020

9:00 – 9:15		OPENING
	Stephanie Futter-Orel	WAVE Executive Manager
	Marcella Pirrone	WAVE President
9:15 – 9:45		KEY NOTE SPEECH:
	Dunja Mijatović	Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights
	Alia El-Yassir	UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia
9:45 – 11:00		PANEL: The impact of COVID-19 on women's specialist service provision
	Antonella Veltri	President of D.i.Re – Donne in Rete contro la violenza, Italy - D.i.Re. Addressing VAW during the COVID-19 lockdown
	Elaine Mears	Rape Crisis Network Ireland – Rape Crisis Centre adaptation and transformation during COVID-19
	Iris Luarasi	Counselling Line for Women and Girls/ First Vice-President of GREVIO, Albania – Gender-based violence during COVID-19. What we learned
	Moderator: Stephanie Futter-Orel	WAVE Executive Manager
11:00 – 11:30		Breakout rooms
11:30 – 13:00		WORKSHOPS
	WORKSHOP 1	Reclaiming the Istanbul Convention: offering a positive counter-narrative to the current backlash
	Cânân Arın	Mor Çatı Kadın Sığınağı Vakfı 'Purple Roof Women's Shelter Foundation, Turkey – Women's resistance against Government's suggestion to withdraw from the Istanbul Convention
	Anna Głogowska-Balcerzak	Women's Rights Center, Poland – Ratification, implementation, withdrawal? Istanbul Convention in Poland
	Veronika Valkovicova	Institút pre Labour and Family Research, Bratislava, Slovakia – Opposition to the Istanbul Convention in Slovakia: from churches to parliamentary committees
	Facilitator: Branislava Marvanova Vargova	Rosa Centre for battered and lonely women, Czech Republic
	WORKSHOP 2	Different models of effectively tackling digital violence and abuse
	Louna Hakkarainen	Women's Line Finland – Intimate partner violence in the digital age: Helping survivors of digital abuse
	Mathijs Euwema and Rutger van Oudenhoven	International Child Development Initiatives, Netherlands – CyberSafety: A Serious Game
	Martin Bärmann	Serious Games, Denmark – THE CYBERSAFE ONLINE TOOL – An Interactive Experience-based Learning Framework
	Barbara Brečko	University of Ljubljana, Slovenia – Klick off! Let's stop cyberviolence against women and girls – the experiences and results of awareness raising project in Slovenia
	Facilitator: Pille Tsopp-Pagan	Women's Support and Information Centre, Estonia





WORKSHOP 3	Child contact and custody proceedings in a changing legal and human rights environment
Laura Albu	<i>European Women's Lobby, Romania –</i> Overview of the situation in Europe on child contact in cases of intimate partner violence: burning issues and risk of further victimisation for women survivors of male violence
Sue McKellar	<i>Scottish Women's Aid, Scotland, United Kingdom –</i> Improving Justice in Child Contact: Views into Actions
Facilitator: Lara Dimitrijevic	<i>Women's Rights Foundation, Malta</i>

WORKSHOP 4	How gender-neutral policy practice is dismantling women's specialist support services and ways to counteract it
Irene Zeilinger	<i>Garance, Belgium –</i> The many faces of gender neutrality – a tentative typology
Sylvia Králová	<i>Fenestra, Slovakia –</i> Not funded or underfunded women's specialist support services and how to navigate hostile space
Facilitator: Baljit Banga	<i>Imkaan, England, United Kingdom</i>

#endStructuralInequality
#eradicateVAWG

Thursday, 8th of October 2020

9:30 – 10:45	PANEL: Effectively supporting vulnerable groups of women in a health crisis
Umayma Elamin Amer Elamin	<i>Migrant Women Association Malta –</i> Migrant Women's Association Malta SGBV outreach during COVID-19
Ana Peláez Narváez	<i>Member of the United Nations Committee for the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Vice-President of the European Disability Forum and Executive Vice-President of the CERMI Women's Foundation Spain –</i> How the pandemic has affected women and girls with disabilities and the relevant specialist service provision
Liridona Sijarina	<i>Kosovar Gender Studies Center, Kosovo –</i> An intersectional response to the pandemic: Protecting Roma women's rights in Kosovo
Moderator: Sari Laaksonen	<i>The Federation of Mother and Child Homes and Shelters, Finland</i>

10:45 – 11:15 Breakout rooms

11:15 – 12:45	WORKSHOPS
WORKSHOP 1	The importance of allyship: how to be an effective and respectful ally
Baljit Banga	<i>Imkaan, England, UK –</i> The importance of allyship in meaningful movement building: How allyship can be used to address structural inequality, racism and gender neutrality
Facilitator: Mine Atli	<i>Association of Women to Support Living – Kayad, Northern Cyprus</i>





WORKSHOP 2	Sexual violence: definitions of consent and response mechanisms
Cliona Saidléar	<i>Rape Crisis Network Ireland – What is 'special' about sexual violence? Understanding models of specialist sexual violence response across Europe</i>
Kaarin Long	<i>Advocates for Human Rights, USA – The law of consent</i>
Facilitator: Natalia Batenkova	<i>Unizon, Sweden</i>

WORKSHOP 3	The challenges of maintaining an independent shelter movement in the current political climate
Anastasia Chuvaeva	<i>St. Petersburg Regional Public Organisation Institute of Non-discriminative gender interrelations – Crisis Center for women, Russia Universal challenge – local solutions: review of the Saint-Petersburg INGI "Crisis Centre for women" practice of work with survivors of violence in the face of pandemic circumstances</i>
Jenny Westerstrand	<i>Roks, the National Organisation for Women's Shelters and Young Women's Shelters, Sweden – When love breaks down – The relationship between the state and the shelter movement in Sweden, seen through the lens of COVID-19</i>
Facilitator: Erika Mischitz	<i>Women's Shelter Tirol, Austria</i>

WORKSHOP 4	The impact of violence against women on marginalized groups
Barbara Pinelli	<i>University of Rome 3, Italy – Gendered violence and forced migration - An intersectional perspective on moral and political treatment of refugee women in Italy</i>
Olga Komiti	<i>UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, Cyprus – Gender-based violence against refugee women</i>
Facilitator: Susana Pavlou	<i>Mediterranean Institute for Gender Studies, Cyprus</i>



14:00 – 14:45 **SIDE STEPUP! CAMPAIGN MEETING**

15:00 – 17:00 **WAVE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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