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1. Introductory remarks

As a consortium, our main concern while working for Work Package n°2 – Best Practices in Prevention of sexual harassment in public spaces, was to raise awareness of the need to prevent and address gender-based violence in public spaces. Notably, all the partner organizations that are collaborating for the execution of this project are heavily concerned with gender issues and they are striving to inform people about the importance of discussing these issues and examining any deficiencies that are observed in this area. All members of this partnership recognize that in many European countries, including Lithuania, Turkey, Sweden, Cyprus, Austria, and Spain, gender-based violence in public spaces is a behavior that is deeply rooted in the existence of gender stereotypes, which severely affects women. We began working on this package by designing a Handbook of the State of The Art of sexual harassment in public spaces. Each participant organization conducted research in their own country, in order to examine the statistical data and overviews on gender-based violence and sexual harassment in each country, as well as the national legislation focusing on the prevention of gender-based violence. Importantly, each partner organization identified some problematic issues that are affecting the implementation of preventative strategies for gender-based violence in their country. Our study revealed a lack of research in all partner countries that sufficiently examine the different forms of oppression and discrimination against women, as well as a lack of specific initiatives that focus on this issue. Instead, we observed that most research focuses on domestic violence, and most preventative actions tend to involve women rather than men. After collecting this information, we designed a Digital Good Practice Guide, which is the main outcome of this work package, that details practices that are applied in all participant countries in order to fight against gender-based violence in public spaces.



Our research for the Good Practice Guide verified the lack of an adequate number of practices that focus on sexual harassment, especially in the Cypriot and Spanish reality, since we have mostly discovered practices that focus on other types of violence. In conclusion, both the State-of-the-Art Report and the Digital Good Practice Guide can be used by trainers to inform and educate both women and men on the issue of gender – based violence in public spaces in six European countries.

2. Good Practices Guide

The Digital Good Practices Guide consists of gender equality and prevention practices applied in each partner country which are meant to tackle sexual harassment in public spaces: these existing practices may prove crucial when conceptualizing new, innovative solutions to the issue of gender equality.

Good Practices are recommended models that inspire and influence further initiatives and actions about a specific topic, and in our case, in gender-based violence and sexual harassment matters. Good Practices are actions, manuals, trainings, etc., that have been tested and validated, that have been successfully adopted by individuals and/or organizations and they have had positive results.

The Digital Good Practice Guide focuses on Good Practices that could possibly be considered good examples. The following list is not exhaustive. The Best Practices presented in this report are an indication of a number of initiatives that are being carried out in several European countries with the goal to tackle gender-based violence.



CYPRUS

Good Practice 1:

Title of the Good Practice:

Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies

Organization or Author:

Non-Governmental Organization, Susana Pavlou, Director

Summary/Description of Good Practice

Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies was established in 2000 by a group of gender researchers, activists, and academics at the University of Nicosia. It is a research-focused team that aims to promote women's rights and gender equality across Cyprus, the Mediterranean, and, following Cyprus's accession in 2004, the European Union. It is a feminist organization that brings change and hope to the advancement of women's rights. MIGS promotes and contributes to social, political, and economic projects related to gender equality and women's rights, with a focus on the Mediterranean region. They are committed to the elimination of this discrimination through a combination of research, lobbying and advocacy, education and training, awareness-raising, as well as the provision of expertise and consultancy services. MIGS projects and activities all rely on the evidence-based research they carry out. Beyond the reports they regularly publish, research plays a key role in all aspects of their work, from the training sessions they conduct, and the awareness-raising campaigns they run, to the advocacy and lobbying they do to bring about real change in policy and legislation. Their analysis deploys established feminist methodologies to better understand gender inequalities and to identify ways to bring about change to improve the lives of women and girls.



Their research also contributes more widely to the growing knowledge base on gender equality and women's rights in Cyprus and the Euro-Mediterranean region. They manage many European projects which aim to promote gender equality and tackle gender-based violence. Some of the projects they manage are OPEP-DV: Online Professional Education for Physiotherapists and other Healthcare Professionals on Domestic Violence, Coalesce- Legal, Psycho-social and economic empowerment for the integration of women third country nationals victims of human trafficking for sexual exploitation and abuse, EP for Women, Mothers and Daughters: Narratives on sexuality and relationships, BEE: Boosting Gender Equality in Education, FEM-United to prevent IPV/ DV Femicide in Europe, ARTEMIS, Play 4 your Rights! Innovative Media Education Strategies against Sexism and Discrimination, Dream Fighters - Combating Gender Stereotypes through Play, Improving Justice in Child Contact (IJCC), and many more.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women from all backgrounds but specifically, women from vulnerable groups, such as migrant women, black women, asylum seekers, etc. Also, this organization targets policymakers and political and governmental bodies.

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

The Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies has had trafficking in women as its main priority issue since 2006. The activities of this institute have had a high impact on policy formulation on a national level. The institute has been successful in raising awareness among key stakeholders, including the public and the media. They are also working towards ending prostitution by calling for the criminalization of demand for sexual services, in combination with lobbying for exit, integration, and empowerment programs for women in prostitution. To achieve this purpose, they participate in the project Disrupt Demand - Study Examining Campaign Strategies in the Member States to Introduce Legislative Measures to Discourage Demand for Sex Trafficking. This project is designed to support efforts to prevent human trafficking for sexual exploitation (TSE) by reducing demand. Campaigns in the project countries, targeting demand by users of sex services, have a strong influence in creating public awareness around sex trafficking, gaining an overview of anti-trafficking laws, and achieving strong legal models that deter the actions of users. Moreover, the Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies has focused on supporting migrant women in Cyprus in their efforts to initiate migrant women's organizations that actively engage in public dialogue on integration and migration. They continue their lobbying and advocacy work with policymakers on a national and EU level for the inclusion of gender mainstreaming in migration and integration policies that have an impact on migrant women's lives. They also help shape social policies and design action programs addressing migrant women's specific needs. More specifically, they have worked to increase the capacity of female migrant domestic workers to respond to sexual and gender-based violence. Simultaneously, MIGS systematically monitors mainstream Cypriot and European print and digital media outlets on issues of gender equality and women's rights violations. They intervene with statements or press releases to raise awareness or state their position on institutional decisions or actions that impact women and girls. In 2009, MIGS began to conduct research, raise awareness among media professionals, and promote gender equality in and through the media. They contributed to the Cyprus chapter in the Global Media Monitoring Project (GMMP 2010 and GMMP 2015) as well as the Global Alliance on Media and Gender (GAMAG), a worldwide, multi-stakeholder network of individuals and organizations working together to increase gender equality in and through the media and ICTs. Further, since 2009, MIGS has been a leading voice in calling for binding positive action measures to ensure that women are equally represented at all levels of economic and political decision-making, from campaigning for women's equal representation in parliament to organizing stakeholder discussions on women on company boards.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it: <https://medinstgenderstudies.org/>.

Sustainability:

This institution constitutes an excellent effort that has achieved a lot of success since its implementation. It has provided women as well as society in general with the necessary information they need to be able to comprehend the importance of the prevention of gender-based violence. The institute is gradually expanding and handles many impactful projects. New initiatives are also being suggested and applied as the institute grows stronger.

Relevant picture:





Good Practice 2:

Title of the Good Practice:

The FEM - UNITED Project

Organization or Author:

European Union, partners: Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies (MIGS), Cyprus, University of Malta, Malta, The Cyprus University of Technology, Cyprus, The Institute for Empirical Sociological Research at the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, The University of Zaragoza, Spain, The University of Porto, Portugal, Women's Rights Foundation, Malta, UMAR - União de Mulheres Alternativa e Resposta, Portugal.

Summary/Description of Good Practice

FEM-United to prevent IPV/DV Femicide in Europe is a two-year transnational project involving five European countries: Cyprus, Germany, Malta, Portugal and Spain. The project has focused on the prevention of femicide - the intentional killing of women because they are women - in the context of Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) and/or Domestic Violence (DV). As data on femicide is widely unavailable in Europe, this project aimed to create an evidence base to raise awareness among front-line professionals, policy makers, as well as the general public, on the prevention of IPV/DV-related femicide.

Project activities included trainings of front-line professionals (police, social and healthcare workers, NGOs and victim support services) on the gendered dynamics of IPV/DV-related femicide, engaging policy makers through the holding of multi-stakeholder forums, as well as a multimedia awareness raising campaign targeted at the general public across the EU.



Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Front-line professionals, policy makers, women from all population groups and the general public.

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

The project has managed to train front-line professionals (police, social and healthcare workers, NGOs, and victim support services) on issues about gender-based violence and has made excellent efforts to raise awareness about this issue across the European Union.

Sustainability:

Undoubtedly, the FEM-UNITED project represents one of the most successful projects funded by the European Union that has as its main purpose the prevention of femicide. It will certainly serve as an example for future European projects.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://medinstgenderstudies.org/what/projects/>

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Good Practice 3:

Title of the Good Practice:

“Home for Women” in Cyprus

Organization or Author:

Governmental organization

Summary/Description of Good Practice

“Home for Women” is a scientific victim-friendly initiative, occupied by professionals from various specialties and State Officers such as Clinical Psychologists, Social Workers, and specially trained members of the Police who offer protection and specialized support to victims of violence. As an initiative, it takes measures for the immediate protection and safety of the victim, it provides all victims psychological support with the assistance of mental health services, it offers socio-economic support, medical examination for physical and sexual abuse, referral and /or escort services - where necessary - in accommodation areas, in the Police, in the Court, in Hospitals, Mental Health Services, in the Welfare Benefit Management Service, in child support and protection bodies, and legal services. According to Women Alliance “The Cyprus Parliamentary Committee on Human Rights and Equal Opportunities for Men and Women reported that with the operation of the “Home for Women” it managed 32 cases of violence against women (72% were Cypriot and 28% were foreigners), 99% of cases had under-age children, 69% of the perpetrators have Cypriot citizenship, while 30% are foreigners.” (<https://www.womenalliance.org/opening-of-the-home-for-women-in-cyprus/>).

“Home for Women” was created in the context of the implementation of the obligations arising from the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention and Combating of Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Istanbul Convention), which the Republic of Cyprus ratified by Law in 2017.



Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women who were victims of abuse.

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

“Home for Women” has achieved to offer immediate psychological support to victims of sexual abuse, socio-economic and legal support, and medical examination for physical and sexual abuse.

Sustainability:

This initiative represents a great effort that has achieved a lot of impact since its implementation. It has provided women who are victims of sexual abuse the mental, economical, and legal support they need after their experience of sexual assault. This initiative is gradually expanding and handles many cases.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://www.womenalliance.org/opening-of-the-home-for-women-in-cyprus/>).



Good Practice 4:

Title of the Good Practice:

Ending Sexual Harassment and Violence in Third Level Education (ESHTE)

Organization or Author:

European-funded project. Partners: The Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies, Cyprus (MIGS) (Cyprus), The Women's Issues Information Centre (WIIC), Lithuania and Rape Crisis Scotland (RCS), UK.

Summary/Description of Good Practice

SHTE aims to prevent and combat sexual violence and harassment (SVH) and build a culture of zero tolerance in universities and 3rd level institutions (UTLIs) throughout Europe through a feminist understanding and analysis of the causes and effects of SVH. More importantly, it aims to support UTLIs to articulate a clear message, commitment, set of core values, ethos, procedures, and protocols to build a 'Zero Tolerance Zone,' and provide opportunities for sharing models of good practice.

The project seeks to raise knowledge amongst UTLI staff of the higher risk of SVH amongst young women and its negative impact on student's academic performance and overall well-being. It will also raise awareness and provide information to students on: consent, the myths surrounding rape, the support available to victims, the importance of reporting to the police, as well as naming and acknowledging experiences of SVH, but also raising awareness of the particular experiences of SVH of students with disabilities and those from minority ethnic groups. ESHTE will be implemented by a partnership of four NGO organizations and several universities across five EU member states.



Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Students in Higher Education, Policy makers, people and women who were victims of violence.

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

The ESHTe project has produced a Review of Data on the Prevalence of Sexual Violence and Harassment of Women Students in Higher Education in the European Union for the Cypriot reality. Moreover, the project has developed a toolkit that offers a range of resources, covering areas such as policy development, training, and campaigning. It is designed to be adapted to the needs of individual institutes and local or national contexts.

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<https://www.itstopsnow.org/en/home>.

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Title of the Good Practice:

Catcalls of Graz

Organization or Author:

Catcalls of Graz

Summary/Description of Good Practice

"Catcalls of Graz" is a social media campaign started by a group of young women in Graz, Austria to raise awareness about sexual harassment in public spaces. The campaign encourages women to share their experiences of street harassment by posting photos of themselves holding up signs with the comments they have received. The photos are then posted on social media with the hashtag #catcallsofgraz. The goal of the campaign is to shed light on the prevalence of street harassment and to promote a safer and more respectful environment for all individuals. The campaign has received widespread attention and support, and has inspired similar campaigns in other cities in Austria and beyond."

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women who were victims of abuse.

The Catcalls of Graz aims to:

- Raise awareness about sexual harassment in public spaces.
- Shed light on the prevalence of street harassment and promote a safer and more respectful environment for all individuals.



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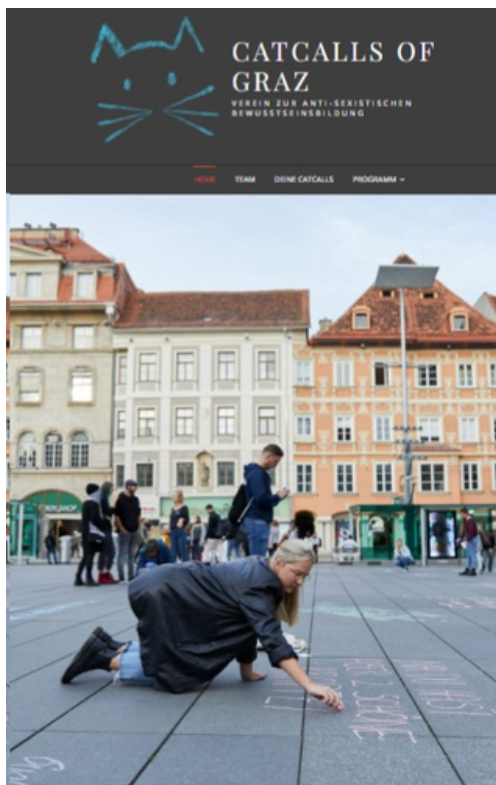
Effectiveness of Good Practice:

The campaign, which started in Graz, attracted widespread interest and support and inspired similar campaigns in other Austrian cities and beyond. This raised national awareness about harassment in public spaces.

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<http://www.catcallsofgraz.at/>

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Title of the Good Practice:

Women's Shelter Steiermark (Frauenhaeuser Steiermark)

Organization or Author:

Verein Frauenhäuser Steiermark

Summary/Description of Good Practice

Since 1 May 2018, the Styrian Association of Women's Shelters has been offering free counseling hours for women affected by violence. This service provides counseling for women in need against all forms of violence against women.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

people who have been exposed to or witnessed sexual harassment and/or sexual assault

Aims of Woman's Shelter Steiermark:

- to provide guidance on psychological and legal support,
- Providing financial, housing and counselling services to disadvantaged women who have experienced sexual harassment or violence

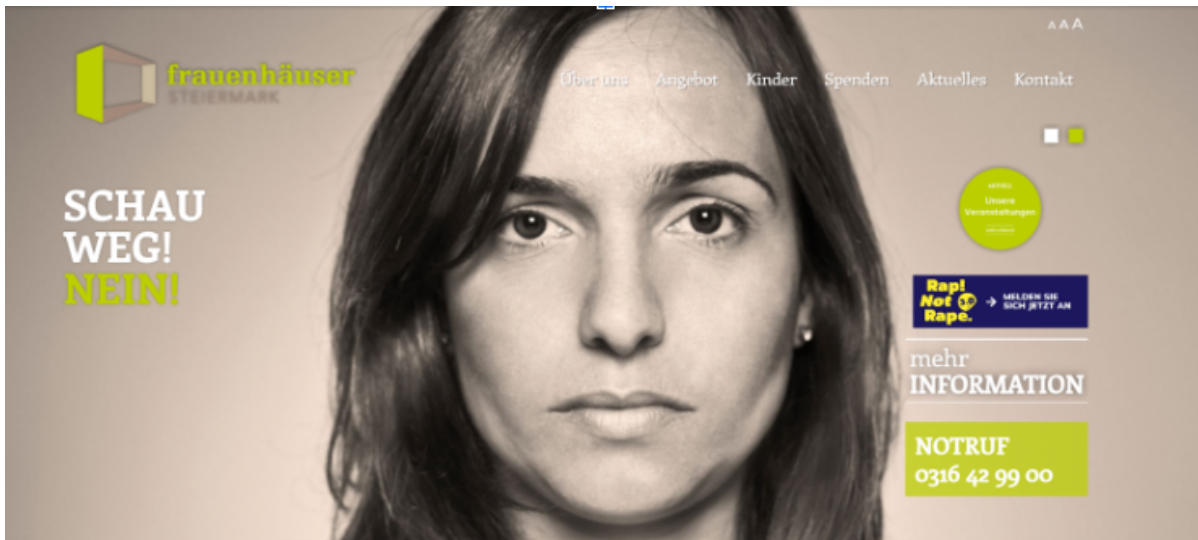
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<https://www.frauenhaeuser.at/>



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Title of the Good Practice:

Federation of Autonomous Women's Counselling Centres for Sexual Violence
(Bund Autonome Frauenberatungsstellen bei sexueller Gewalt)

Organization or Author:

Autonome Frauenberatungsstellen bei sexueller Gewalt - BAFÖ

Summary/Description of Good Practice

A nationwide campaign against sexual violence against women and girls. The Federal Union has taken on the task of pursuing the common concerns and goals of women's advice centers on sexual violence in a coordinated and targeted manner. It aims to bring together synergies, experiences, and competencies to combat sexual violence against women and girls with a strong and united voice.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

People who want to equip themselves with sexual violence.

- provide information and promotion in the field of sexual violence in Austria and jointly represent the concerns of our clients.
- Representing the concerns of victims
- Preparation of proposals for change, mediation, and representation in various committees and inter-ministerial working groups
- Informing and sensitising the public
- More training and conferences for the staff of women's counselling centres in cases of sexual violence.
- Creation of common information materials
- Analysis of structural problems based on decades of experience as well as experience from a counselling practice



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www.sexuellegewalt.at

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Title of the Good Practice:

SToP

Organization or Author:

Stadt Wien

Summary/Description of Good Practice

The project "StoP - Neighbourhoods without Partner Violence" is about preventing (domestic) violence against women* and children, partner violence, and femicides. StoP is a violence prevention project that starts where domestic violence happens at home, in the neighborhood, and in the neighborhood. Neighbors are encouraged to show civil courage and not to conceal or tolerate partner violence. The stoP provides information and helps to recognize and interrupt domestic violence at an early stage.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women victims of violence.

The aim of the good practice is to:

- Empower and encourage neighbors to treat each other more carefully and take a closer look at each other.
- Provide security for women who have experienced or are likely to be exposed to violence by their spouse or another person.
- Enable neighbours or people in the surrounding area to take action if violence is suspected.
- Inform and train victims so that they can support them.



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Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://stop-partnergewalt.at/>

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Review of the year in Hernalds Since July there is finally StoP in Hernalds and a lot has happened! There were information stands at the Aszleier weekly market and in the

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StoP-WIEN multipliers training against domestic violence and partner violence As in the previous year, we would like to offer the opportunity to become a multiplier against domestic violence this year

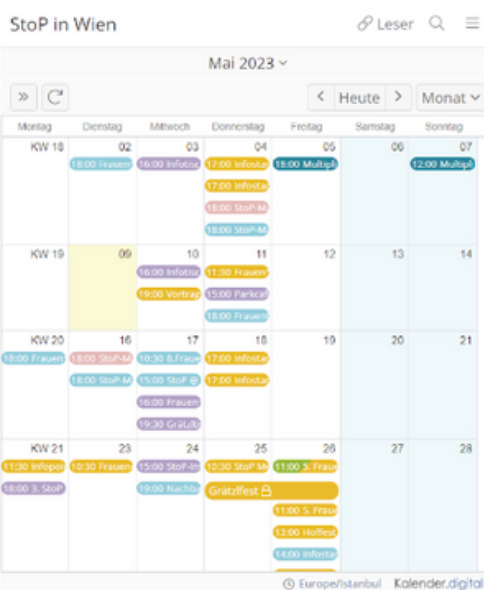
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"StoP districts without partner violence" - Hernalds joins in! On Friday, October 14th, 2022 we have StoP in the 17th district at a press conference together with the district manager

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Red card against domestic violence! Violence against women* cannot and must have no place, neither on the soccer field nor in our society. Played on





LITHUANIA

Good practice 1:

Project #SaugūsBendruomenėje (We are Safe in the Community) by the Women's Information Centre

Summary/Description of Good Practice

The project "We are safe in the community" was launched in 2023 in cooperation with partners from Vilnius County Chief Police Commissariat, Vilnius City Child Rights Protection Division of the State Child Rights Protection and Adoption Service under the Ministry of Social Security and Labour of the Republic of Lithuania, Lithuanian Deaf Society.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women

The aim of the project is to create an informed and sensitive society to the problem of domestic violence. To achieve this goal, the project focuses on the implementation of the following objectives and related activities:

1. To raise young people's awareness of non-stereotypical gender roles and to develop their ability to recognise power and control mechanisms in their relationships;
2. To improve the skills and competences of professionals working in the field of domestic violence to carry out preventive activities in order to achieve an informed and sensitive society to the problem of domestic violence;
3. To strengthen the inter-institutional cooperation and professional competences of specialists and case managers of the Vilnius City Child Rights Protection Unit in the field of domestic violence prevention;
4. To empower women to build constructive interpersonal relationships based on gender equality and mutual respect, and to develop conflict resolution skills by organizing drama therapy sessions.



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Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://www.moteruinformacijoscentras.lt/mes-saugus-bendruomenėje/>

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LITHUANIA

Title of the Good Practice:

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence

Summary/Description of Good Practice

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is an annual campaign that begins on 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and runs through International Human Rights Day on 10 December. Led by civil society, the campaign is supported by the United Nations through the Secretary General's UNiTE by 2030 to End Violence against Women initiative.

The initiative was officially launched in 1993 when the United Nations (UN) Conference in Vienna recognized that women's rights are human rights and that violence against women constitutes a serious violation of human rights. In Lithuania, annual events are organized with the help of women's NGOs to raise awareness of the fact that domestic violence against women is a very sensitive issue. It also aims to express women's solidarity in the fight against violence against women and to raise awareness of women's human rights issues, both through various events to raise public awareness as well as organizing conferences and discussions with prominent public figures.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women



LITHUANIA

Title of the Good Practice:

Awareness raising initiative #SaugiVietaMoterims (#SafePlace4Women)

Summary/Description of Good Practice

The initiative by the Lithuanian Social Democratic Women's Union is usually celebrated on the 8th of March, International Women's Day. Women and men are invited to take photos in front of municipal buildings or other important local landmarks with the poster that reads [My city/district] are a #SafePlace4Women (LT: Mano fiestas/rajas year #SaugiVietaMoterims), and to include members of the municipal council and other representatives of the local community in action. Photos are invited to be posted on social networks.

In 2023, women were also invited to initiate the adoption of a resolution in the newly elected Municipal Councils "Let's make our city/region a safe place for women".

Lithuanian women are also called for solidarity with women in Ukraine, who experience extreme insecurity and face war crimes daily.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women



SPAIN

Title of the Good Practice:

No es No - Málaga libre de violencia machista (No means No - Málaga against misogynist violence)

Organization or Author:

Málaga City Council

Summary/Description of Good Practice

The "No es No" campaign of the Malaga City Council is an initiative that seeks to raise awareness about the importance of consent in sexual relationships and prevent sexual violence. This practice focuses on the idea that "No means No," which means that anyone has the right to say "no" to any sexual activity without being coerced, pressured, or threatened. It aims to promote a culture of respect and gender equality, fostering a zero-tolerance attitude towards sexual violence and gender discrimination.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

- Young people are one of the primary target groups, as they are at higher risk of experiencing sexual violence;
- Adults, especially those who are in positions of power or influence, are another target group of the campaign.
- Professionals in education and health are also a target group, as they can play a crucial role in educating young people and adults



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Effectiveness of Good Practice:

- Significant media coverage locally and nationally
- Range of educational resources developed, including workshops and training programs
- Supported by local NGOs, schools, and healthcare providers
- Widely recognized "No es No" message adopted by other organizations
- Positive impact on the broader conversation around consent and sexual violence prevention

Suggestions for future improvement of Good Practice:

Some possible suggestions:

- Improve cultural sensitivity: To ensure that the message is culturally sensitive and inclusive, the city council could consult with experts from different cultural groups to ensure that the message resonates with a diverse range of audiences. It could also consider using messaging that emphasizes universal values such as respect, safety, and dignity.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://noesnoigualdad.es/>

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SPAIN

Title of the Good Practice:

SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN UNIVERSITIES: ELEMENTS FOR IMPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PREVENTION, DETECTION AND INTERVENTION MEASURES (2009)

Organization or Author:

Esperanza Bosch Fiol + her team (Women's Institute)

Summary/Description of Good Practice

This study from 2009 was conducted in response to growing concerns about the prevalence of sexual harassment in universities and the lack of data on the subject. The study used a mixed-methods approach, including surveys, focus groups, and interviews, to gather data from university students, staff, and faculty members. It was found that victims of sexual harassment often do not report their experiences, either because they fear retaliation or because they do not believe that their complaints will be taken seriously.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

The target group of the study includes university students, staff, and faculty members. The study aimed to gather data from all of these groups to gain a comprehensive understanding of the prevalence and nature of sexual harassment in universities in Spain. By targeting these different groups, the study was able to gather insights into the experiences and perspectives of both victims and perpetrators of sexual harassment, as well as those who may be in a position to address the issue within the university environment.



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Effectiveness of Good Practice:

The study can be considered a good practice for several reasons. Firstly, the study is based on a rigorous collection of real data. Secondly, the study gives visibility about the topics, which is important for raising awareness of the issue and identifying areas for intervention and prevention. Thirdly, recommendations for addressing sexual harassment in universities are evidence-based and practical, providing a roadmap for universities to create safe and equitable learning and working environments for all members of the university community.

Suggestions for future improvement of Good Practice:

Some possible suggestions:

- Create a new up to date study that also involves other educational contexts.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

https://www.inmujeres.gob.es/areasTematicas/estudios/estudioslinea2014/docs/El_acoso_sexual_ambito_universitario.pdf

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SPAIN

Title of the Good Practice:

"We Won't Be Silent" protocol against sexual assault and harassment in private nightlife venues (2018)

Organization or Author:

Barcelona City Council

Summary/Description of Good Practice

The "We Won't Be Silent" Protocol is a set of guidelines designed to prevent and address sexual violence in bars, nightclubs, and other entertainment venues. The protocol includes a series of measures to prevent sexual aggression and harassment, such as training staff to recognize and respond to signs of sexual violence, implementing safety measures such as well-lit spaces and security cameras, and establishing clear reporting procedures for victims. It also includes guidelines for responding to incidents of sexual aggression or harassment, including providing immediate assistance to victims, preserving evidence, and ensuring that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

The target group is the owners and staff of bars, nightclubs, and other entertainment venues. The protocol aims to provide them with clear guidelines and procedures for preventing and responding to sexual violence in their establishments.



SPAIN

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

It has the potential to be an effective good practice for preventing and addressing sexual violence in these settings. Here are some factors:

- Collaborative development: Involvement of Spanish government, women's organizations, and stakeholders ensures broad support.
- Comprehensive measures: Staff training, safety protocols, and clear reporting procedures enhance prevention effectiveness.
- Cultural shift focus: Aims to instill respect and consent culture in nightlife spaces for broader societal change.
- Accountability emphasis: Stresses perpetrator accountability to deter future incidents.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

https://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/dones/sites/default/files/documentacio/p_4.2_protocol_oci_nocturn_esp.pdf

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**Protocolo “No callamos”
contra las agresiones y los
acosos sexuales en espacios
de ocio nocturno privado**

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SWEDEN

Title of the Good Practice:

National Centre for Knowledge on Men's Violence Against Women - NCK
(Nationellt Centrum för Kvinnofrid)

Summary/Description of Good Practice

Founded in 2006 at Uppsala University, the NCK on behalf of the Government of Sweden working to raise awareness at the national level of men's violence against women, and develops new methods for the treatment of abused women (Ministry of Integration and Gender Equality, 2007).

NCK is divided in an academic department which includes the research, training and education, and communication units, and a clinical department that includes the out-patient clinic and the national helpline for women.

Since 2007, the centre has been operating a Government funded national helpline for women who have been subjected to threats and violence (Kvinnofridslinjen).

The counseling telephone is available 24/7, free of charge, and the caller can remain anonymous. Staff at the helpline provide support, practical advice, information about the healthcare system and how to report an abuse. The staff consist of social workers, midwives and nurses well-trained and experienced.



SWEDEN

Title of the Good Practice:

Swedish Gender Equality Agency via online with #metoo movement

Summary/Description of Good Practice

Different #metoo appeals from some of the vulnerable groups encountered by the social services. The needs are linked to sexual harassment, abuse and violence against older women, women with disabilities, abused women, women who are deaf or hard of hearing and women who have experience of prostitution and human trafficking.

With the hashtag #notthegoodolddays (#intebättreförr), older women explain what they have been and are still exposed to.

Behind the hashtag #notyourwhore (#intedinhora) are individuals who have experienced prostitution and sexual exploitation.

#onnocondition (#slutvillkorat) is a hashtag used by women with a disability. The group highlights that the support they are entitled to is often conditional, which means an increased risk of sexual harassment and violence.

Deaf and hard of hearing women and non-binary persons have joined together under the hashtag #turnadeafear (#slådövörattill). The group wants to break the culture of silence in the deaf community and in society at large.

#nosocialprotection (#utanskyddsnät) This hashtag stands for girls, women and transgender persons with experience of abuse/and or drug addition, crime and prostitution. The right to support and protection from sexual harassment, assault and violence must apply to everyone, regardless of their situation in life.



SWEDEN

Title of the Good Practice:

Increase public awareness through against harassment campaigns

Summary/Description of Good Practice

A big Swedish company, Seko starts a campaign against threats, violence and harassment in rail traffic with a focus on social media.

A campaign launched by Karlstad University aims to put an end to sexual harassment within the student world. The campaign consists of films to be published in social media and on city and county buses. They will also be used as educational material in sponsorship training, and the aim is to make the students aware that they can make a difference.

The societal debate and awareness of sexual harassment must become greater.

Title of the Good Practice:

Courses at universities

Summary/Description of Good Practice

Uppsala University developed an online basic introductory course on men's violence against women and violence in close relationships. The course is cross-disciplinary and aims to increase the competency among professionals who in their line of work meet women and children subjected to violence, and/or perpetrators of violence.



TURKEY

Title of the Good Practice:

Stand Up (Sokak Tacizine Karşı Dur Hareketi)

Organization or Author:

Hollaback collab with L'Oréal Paris

Summary/Description of Good Practice

“Stand Up is an education and awareness program against harassment in a public place, promoted by L'Oréal Paris in collaboration with the NGO Hollaback. The program is based on the proven 5D method and teaches men and women to safely position themselves when they are the victim or witness of an act of harassment in a public place. Hollaback! The 5D method is an expert-approved toolkit to help you respond safely when you witness street harassment. Before you start exploring the 5D method, you should remember that you may need to use a different “D” depending on the situation. Most importantly, you should always feel safe before intervening.”

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

Women

Effectiveness of Good Practice:



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The Stand-Up Movement aims to

- collect stories of street harassment and document stories of people who faced harassment.
- to help prevent street harassment.
- create safe, inclusive spaces for all.

According to the statistics of the good practices' website 1610517 people have completed the training.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://www.standup-international.com/tr/tr/>

Sustainability

Acting with the mission of empowering women by saying “Because we are worth it” for more than 50 years, L’Oréal Paris launched the StandUp program in 2021 to stand up to street harassment, which is the most common problem faced by women and which 78% of them are exposed to. L’Oréal Paris, which raises awareness about street harassment and thanks to its 5D training, trained 48,000 people across Turkey last year.

Relevant picture





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Title of the Good Practice:

You Also Tell (Sen de Anlat)

Organization or Author:

Harassmap

Summary/Description of Good Practice

“Sen De Anlat is a sharing and solidarity platform that provides guidance on psychological and legal support, where those who have been exposed to or witnessed sexual harassment and sexual assault in the public space can share their experiences anonymously.

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

people who have been exposed to or witnessed sexual harassment and/or sexual assault in the public sphere.

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

The activity :

- provide guidance on psychological and legal support,
- encourage people who have been exposed to or witnessed sexual harassment and sexual assault in the public space can share their experiences anonymously.
- contribute to increasing the visibility of this issue and strengthening advocacy by keeping data on sexual harassment and sexual assault incidents that occur in the public sphere through crowdsourcing.



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Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://sendeanlat.harassmap.org/tr>

Sustainability

In line with the feedback of individuals using the application, harassment incidents are intervened. A detailed breakdown of reported harassment incidents and response rates is available in the table below. The application is very useful as it is dynamic and based on user feedback. The statistic is available on the official website.

Relevant picture





TURKEY

Title of the Good Practice:

Light a Firefly too (Sen de bir ateş böceği yak)

Organization or Author:

UN WOMEN

Summary/Description of Good Practice

“The campaign, led by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, supports the civil society initiative and calls on individuals and institutions to take action to increase awareness about violence against women and girls and intensify their rights advocacy work. In this context, every year, individuals, and institutions that respond to the UN Secretary General’s call to “Paint the World Orange” draw attention to violence against women by using the color orange. The reason for using the color orange in the campaign is that the color symbolizes light and hope. UN Women’s Turkey Office has been raising awareness about violence against women in Turkey with its campaigns, events, and activities organized within the framework of 16 Days of Activism since 2012 and invites everyone to be a part of the movement for the prevention of violence.”

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

People who want to equip themselves with sexual violence.

Effectiveness of Good Practice:



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The activity :

- draws attention to violence against women and girls.
- measures test takers' knowledge of cyber violence
- provides data to plans to combat gender-based cyber violence through anonymous responses to an interactive quiz as part of the campaign.
- increases participants' knowledge and awareness through a mini guide on cyber violence.
- create an online solidarity network.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://atesbocekleri.info/>

Sustainability

The campaign calls for everyone to join the solidarity movement and say “I am raising my voice” at Fireflies. digital. Each recorded sound will increase the distance between women and violence through an increase in audio frequency. Visitors will be able to download their voice recordings and invite their friends to the solidarity. The campaign will inform about possible individual interventions that can be taken in the incidents of violence in different settings such as at home, among a group of friends, on social media, at work, or a sports club. The visitor will listen to the scenarios and learn possible interventions and how to take action against an act of violence.





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Relevant picture





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Title of the Good Practice:

KADES

Organization or Author:

General Directorate of Security

Summary/Description of Good Practice

“The KADES application was developed to prevent violence against women, which has increased in recent years, and to help women. Women who have been subjected to violence by their spouses or someone else, or who are likely to be exposed to violence, can quickly reach the Women’s Emergency Support Notification System established for this work by making a report via their smartphones.

The “Women Support Application (KADES)” that a smartphone user will download from the Google Play Store and Apple Store application, T.R. The application can be activated by entering the ID Number and then with the activation code coming from the EGM servers, women who are victims of domestic violence and violence against women can access the device location information in emergencies and reach the 155 Police Emergency Emergency Call Center with a single key, and the closest team or patrol to the scene where the call for help is made. will be dispatched to intervene in the incident.”

Target Group(s) & Aims of Good Practice

People who want to equip themselves with sexual violence.



TURKEY

Effectiveness of Good Practice:

- The KADES application has been developed in order to prevent violence against women, which has increased in recent years, and to help women.
- To provide security for women who have experienced or are likely to be exposed to violence by their spouse or another person.

According to the statistics of the KADES application, which has been open as a pilot application since March, has been downloaded by 24 thousand 584 people so far. 31 women who were faced with an emergency were notified and the necessary intervention was made against the notifications received.

Direct Link (i.e., website, social media, etc.) to Good Practice & Further Reading related to it:

<https://www.icisleri.gov.tr/kadin-destek-uygulamasi-kades>

Sustainability

Designers announced that KADES was downloaded to mobile phones by 3 million 478 thousand 641 people, and 355 thousand 366 women reported violence in 4 years.

Relevant picture





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