



EU initiatives on Violence against women

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What is gender-based violence?

Violence directed against a person because of that person's gender (including gender identity/expression) or violence that affects persons of a particular gender disproportionately.

Survey of the Fundamental Rights Agency

1 in 3 women in the EU experienced physical and/or sexual violence since the age of 15

55% of women in the EU have experienced sexual harassment

5% of women in the EU have been raped

10% of women in the EU have experienced harassment through new technologies

Strategy for Equality between Women and Men 2010-2015

Adopted on 21 September 2010





Equal economic independence



Equal pay for equal work and work of equal value



Equality in decision-making



Dignity, integrity and an end to gender-based violence



Gender equality in external actions



Horizontal issues

LEGISLATION & POLICIES

- Sexual harassment
- Trafficking
- Child abuse
- Minimum rights for victims
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What is the
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Legal basis for EU action on gender equality

- Since 1957, the Treaty of the European Community provides a legal basis for legislation, policy and funding for gender equality.
- With the entry into force of the Treaty of the European Union, gender equality is a "**fundamental value**" (art.2 TUE) and an "**objective**" (art.3 TUE) of the EU.
- The Union is required to **promote equality between men and women** in all its activities (Art. 8) and to **combat discrimination** in defining and implementing its policies (Art. 10).

Legislation

- Directive 2006/54/EC on equal treatment;
- Directive 2011/36/EU on trafficking in human beings;
- Directive 2011/93/EU on combating the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child pornography;
- Directive 2011/99/EU on European Protection Orders;
- Directive 2012/29/EU establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime;
- Regulation (EU)606/2013 on mutual recognition of protection measures in civil matters, and;
- Communication COM(2013)833 final on the elimination of female genital mutilation.



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Towards EU data on gender- based violence

International
classification
of Crimes as
of 2015

2014
Survey on
violence
against
women
released by
FRA

Eurostat
data on
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- *Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (2014-2020)*

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ELIMINATING FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION

- Knowledge
- Prevention
- Protection
- Prosecution

Cooperation

- *Funding opportunities: open call, future calls;*
- *Data collection;*
- *Awareness raising;*
- *...*