

DRAFT AGENDA

Equinet Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Venue: Thon Hotel EU – Rue de la Loi 75, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium

Thursday, 8 October 2015

19.30

Networking Dinner with Equality Bodies

Thon Hotel EU – Rue de la Loi 75, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium

Friday, 9 October 2015

08:30 - 09.00

Registration

09.00 – 09.30

Keynote presentation by and discussions with senior representative of the US EEOC

09.30 - 11.00

Session 1 – Review and way forward Equinet - European Network of Equality Bodies

Chair: Evelyn Collins, Chair of Equinet

09.00 - 09.40

- Welcome and introduction
- **Report on Equinet** by Evelyn Collins, Chair - Equinet Executive Board
- Report on 2015 Work Plan
- Presentation of Work Plan 2016
- **Q&A – Members' discussion**

VOTE ON

Accounts 2014

Minutes AGM 2014

09.40 - 09.50

- **Update Equinet membership**
- Short introduction of candidate member equality bodies
- Federal Ombudsman for People with disabilities, Austria

VOTE ON RATIFICATION OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP

09.50 - 10.00

VOTE ON EQUINET WORK PLAN AND BUDGET 2016

10.00 – 11.00

- **Introduction of Equinet Board Elections (for the mandate 2015-2017)**
- Steps and procedure for the closed ballot vote (afternoon)
- Personal introduction of candidates (2 min)

11.00 - 11.20

Coffee Break

11.20 - 12.30	Session 2 – Parallel discussion groups with equality Bodies	
12.30 - 13.30	Networking Lunch	
Until 13.30	CLOSED BALLOT VOTE	EQUINET BOARD MEMBERS ELECTIONS
13.30 - 16.00	Session 3 – Achieving a fair and equal Europe and the role of equality bodies	
13.30 – 13.45	Introduction by Evelyn Collins, Chair of Equinet on the potential of Equality Bodies in promoting equality and the need for clear standards for equality bodies	
13.45 – 14.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Commission 	
14.10 – 14.35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claude Moraes MEP, Chair of the LIBE committee (<i>Video message, TBC</i>) 	
15.00 – 15.25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the 2016 Dutch Presidency of EU Council 	
15.25 – 16.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q&A – Members' discussion 	
16.00 - 16.15	Coffee Break	
16.15 – 16.45	Launch of the Equinet Study on sanctions in discrimination cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the study by the author, Ms. Katrin Wladasch • Q&A – Members' discussion 	
16.45 – 17.00	Closing Session	<i>Anne Gaspard, Equinet Executive Director</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results of Equinet Board Elections • Conclusion and closing remarks 	
17:00 – 18:00	Board Meeting with newly elected Board Members <i>Election of the Chair of the Executive Board</i>	

