

**RENEWAL OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF EQUINET – THE EUROPEAN NETWORK OF
EQUALITY BODIES****MANDATE 2019 – 2021****CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM**

Please return this form to:

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Equinet Secretariat

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Deadline for nominations: 18th September 2019

Name of the Equality Body and country	Austrian Ombud for Equal Treatment
Name of Candidate: <i>(First name Family Name)</i>	Sandra Konstatzky
Position in the Member organisation:	Director
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Please note that a nomination form will only be considered valid if it includes pages 1 and 2 fully completed and accompanied by a Resume/profile of the candidate in English.

The form also needs to be hand-sign and dated by the nominated candidate and the Head of the Member Organisation (if different).

The Secretariat will also need to receive a picture of the candidate (see page 4 of Elections guide).

1. My motivation for becoming a member of the Equinet Executive Board:

(please explain why you would like to sit on the Equinet Executive Board)

For the last four years it has been a great privilege to serve as EQUINET board member and I would appreciate to continue my work for the next two years.

In May 2018 I was appointed Director of the Austrian Ombud for Equal Treatment and was able to gain new experiences and a broader knowledge in leadership. As a director I want to point out our strong commitment to Equinet since the beginning of the network. We appreciate our involvement very much: Equinet facilitates the exchange of experience and knowledge between national equality bodies, helps us to gain influence and acceptance at the national level for equality issues and enables equality bodies to speak with a common voice, particularly at the European level.

We as a network have achieved great success within the last two years in getting recommendations for standards for equality bodies from the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance as well as from the European Commission. I am looking forward to getting further in the ongoing Equinet project on Standards so that equality bodies as champions for the core European value of equality will be able to achieve their full potential. As board member I would be able to lobby for this important goal on national and European level in a more powerful way.

Last year I was involved in developing the new Strategic Plan 2019-2022 for Equinet. It was an exciting process getting the regarding needs and focus areas with the member organisations clearer and more precise. I strongly believe that the implementation of the new Strategic Plan will bring the network forward and I would love to participate in fulfilling the objectives through developing our workplans in the coming two years.

The next two years will be very exciting. We will face a new elected European Parliament and a new Commission, and we will work together with a new Commissioner of Equality. I would like to emphasise my regarding motivation to bring in my full energy as a board member. I have a long-standing experience in networking on the political level. I am sure I will contribute to the success of Equinet ensuring continuity in the upcoming negotiations with the political stakeholders such as the European Commission, Council and Parliament as a long-standing member of the board.

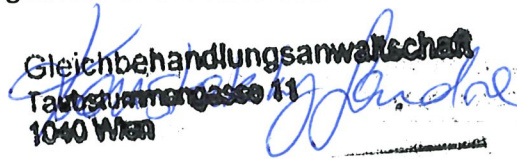
I want to express my sincere wish to be re-elected to the executive board of Equinet, in order to be able to continue my ongoing efforts in promoting the network.

2. Additional note or other relevant information relating to your application (if any):

(any information about yourself and your achievement that you think is important for people who will have to consider the quality of your candidacy)

Evelyn Regner, Austrian MEP is the new Chair of FEMM Committee. She will be a very relevant link to Equinet and Equality Bodies' work. As she is part of my network I am able to strengthen future cooperation.

Feel free to expand text boxes as you see fit.

Date: 18.9.2019	Signature of the candidate:  Gleichbehandlungsanwaltschaft Taubstummengasse 11 1040 Wien Signature of the Head of the Organisation (if different)
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Please note that your candidacy information will be communicated to all Equinet Members prior to the AGM

