

A policy response to gender perceptions



Discussion paper

International agreements have underpinned a focus on [gender stereotyping](#) as a policy priority for over thirty years. A policy focus on gender stereotypes on the European level can be observed in the work of a number of EU institutions, including the European Commission, European Parliament and the European Council. Lately though, the policy focus on gender stereotypes has not been that explicit.

This Discussion paper seeks to bring back to the attention of the policy makers across the European Union the importance of gender stereotypes as a policy issue. It discusses the possible “triggers for change”, that is people, institutions or processes that enable change in gendered attitudes. The Discussion paper uses [EIGE’s Synthesis report of the Study of Collected Narratives](#) related to Gender Perceptions as a reference.

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