



25th EXPERTS' FORUM MEETING

5 November, 2020
On-line

AGENDA

The 4th Management Board and Experts' Forum joint meeting in February 2020 highlighted the need to understand anti-gender equality narratives and strategies in the European Union Member States. To address this need, EIGE has contracted independent experts David Paternotte and Neil Datta to develop a paper that identifies the most common narratives and strategies questioning the value of gender equality. The 25th Experts' Forum meeting will be dedicated to substantiate the paper with additional examples and evidence from the Experts' Forum members.

To help the participants to prepare for the meeting, a short questionnaire on narratives and strategies questioning gender equality will be sent in advance.

Thursday, 5 November

09:30 – 09:40	Welcome to the 25th Experts' Forum meeting <i>Carlien Scheele, Chair of the Experts' Forum</i>
09:40 – 10:00	Review: Action points from 4th joint meeting <i>Carlien Scheele, Chair of the Experts' Forum</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Looking at 2021: What expertise will EIGE need? <i>Carlien Scheele, Chair of the Experts Forum, Director of EIGE</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 – 12:00	Interactive discussion: Anti-gender narratives and strategies in the EU Member States <i>David Paternotte</i> <i>Neil Datta</i> Anti-gender movements, discourse and actions have been visible in the EU Member States for several years. Many of EIGE's stakeholders working for gender equality, have indicated the need to understand better the nature of anti-gender narratives and strategies, complemented with clear, fact-based, materials to counter these arguments. David Paternotte and Neil Datta have been contracted by the Institute to support EIGE's work in this area. In this interactive session, they will provide you with initial findings of their work. Please prepare examples and evidence from your national/organisational contexts in advance by responding to the questionnaire.
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	Parallel working groups: Working group 1: What worked and what didn't when addressing an anti-gender initiative? <i>Facilitator: Zivile Macijauskiene, EIGE</i> Working group 2: What could be positive ways to advance gender equality in the context of anti-gender movements? <i>Facilitator: Christian Veske, EIGE</i>

14:30 -15:00	Coffee break
15:00 – 16:00	Plenary discussion: Next steps in addressing the anti-gender narratives and strategies in the European Union Member States <i>Carlien Scheele, Chair of the Experts' Forum</i>
16:00	Closing <i>Carlien Scheele, Chair of the Experts Forum, Director of EIGE</i>