Day 2

09:00 – 09:45 Time for interviews with EIGE's expert on gender-based violence. (Hotel Lobby)

Jurgita Peciuriene, Gender-Based Violence Programme Coordinator, EIGE

09:45 – 12:00 Field trip – women's shelter in Madrid

We will visit a women's shelter in Madrid where you will see how it's run, learn about the precautions to ensure women's safety and have a chance to speak to some of the survivors.

12:00 – 12:15 Coffee break

12:15 – 13:00 Get ready for the Gender Equality Index 2017!

How is gender equality in the EU? Is it getting better or worse? Which country has improved the most? These are just some of the questions that the Gender Equality Index 2017 will reveal on 11 October this year. In this session, we will discuss the upcoming Index and how you can use the results in your work.

Bernadette Gemmell, Research Communications, EIGE

13:00 - 13:30 Going forward

Mira Banerjee, Head of Knowledge Management and Communications, EIGE

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch



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Agenda

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Day 1

09:00 - 09:30 Registration

09:30 - 10:30 Welcome and introductions

Tour de table

What is the most pressing gender equality issue in your country right now?

Mira Banerjee, Head of Knowledge Management and Communications, EIGE

10:30 – 11:30 Overview of violence against women in the EU

One in three women in the EU has been sexually or physically abused. To combat violence against women, the EU has redoubled its efforts and earlier this year, signed up to the Istanbul Convention. In this session, we explain what this means for the EU and its member states. We will also explain why gathering comparable data on violence against women is not such an easy exercise.

Jurgita Peciuriene, Gender-Based Violence Programme Coordinator, EIGE

11:30 – 11:50 Coffee break

11:50 – 12:50 Violence against women – the Spanish context

In each meeting, we try to bring some of the local context into focus. In this session, you will hear about the biggest issues facing Spain for violence against women and what they are doing to combat it.

M. José Ordoñez Carbajal, Spanish Government Delegate for Gender-Based Violence

12:50 – 14:30 Lunch at "La Fabrica"

14:30 – 15:00 Zero tolerance for female genital mutilation

Female genital mutilation (FGM) is a horrific reality for many girls, also in the EU. However, we still do not know how many are vulnerable to this form of abuse. In this session, we look at FGM in the EU and explain how EIGE is helping to shed more light on the practice in six countries – Belgium, Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy and Malta.

Jurgita Peciuriene, Gender-Based Violence Programme Coordinator, EIGE

15:00 - 15:30 The growing threat of cyber violence

As more and more people can easily access the internet and social media, cyber violence against women and girls has become an increasing concern. In this session, EIGE explains the different forms of cyber violence, its impact, data availability challenges and the response from the police and justice sectors.

Jurgita Peciuriene, Gender-Based Violence Programme Coordinator, EIGE

15:30 – 16:00 Human trafficking for sexual exploitation affects women disproportionately

Each year, more and more girls and women are being trafficked for sexual exploitation. In this session, we give an overview of human trafficking in the EU before our visit to an NGO working with survivors.

Bernadette Gemmell, Research Communications, EIGE

16:00 – 18:00 Field trip – Association for the Prevention, Reintegration and Care of Prostituted Women (ARAMP)

We will visit an organisation with 25 years of experience in supporting women and girls who have been trafficked for sexual exploitation in Spain. You will learn about their program that aims to reintegrate women into society and the labour market and hear from some of the women who have been helped.

19:30 – 21:30 Networking dinner at "Aranda"