

Gender Equality Forum 2026 Code of Conduct

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The European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) is committed to creating respectful, inclusive and safer spaces for everyone who engages with our work, including at in-person events, online meetings, webinars, website discussions and on social media. This Code of Conduct sets out the behaviour expected from all participants.

We welcome open dialogue, different perspectives and constructive debate. We do not tolerate hate speech, harassment, discrimination, intimidation, personal attacks or behaviour that undermines the dignity, safety or participation of others.

Everyone taking part in EIGE spaces is expected to help maintain a respectful environment by listening actively, engaging in good faith, using inclusive and non-discriminatory language, respecting personal boundaries and privacy, avoiding stereotypes or assumptions, and seeking consent before sharing images, recordings or personal stories involving others.

Sexist, racist, homophobic, transphobic, ableist, threatening, abusive, demeaning or otherwise hateful comments or contributions are not acceptable. This also applies to repeated disruption, misinformation used to target individuals or groups, or content that exposes others to unwanted attention or harm.

We expect all participants—attendees, speakers, partners and staff—to follow this Code of Conduct in during the event both online and offline. This includes event-related social activities, online communities, audience interaction tools and social media. EIGE may moderate, hide, remove or report content that breaches these principles, and may limit or block participation where necessary to protect others and uphold a respectful environment.

Participants asked to stop harassing or inappropriate behaviour are expected to comply immediately. Participants who violate this Code of Conduct may be expelled from the event at any time and/or banned from future events.

If you witness or experience inappropriate behaviour, or have any concerns, please bring this to the immediate attention of EIGE staff or contact us at genderequalityforum2026@eige.europa.eu

Please note that personal data processing for the event will be governed by the following [data protection notice](#).

We invite you to help us make the Gender Equality Forum 2026 welcoming and respectful to all participants.

The Gender Equality Forum 2026 Team