

10th Regional Coordination Meeting of EU candidate countries and potential candidates

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16 October 2019

Venue: Hotel Dominican

**Address: Rue Léopold/Leopoldstraat 9
Brussels, Belgium**

15th October

19:00 – 21:30 **Joint dinner**

16th October

9:00 – 9:30 **Registration, coffee**

9:30 – 09:40 **Welcome**

*Mira Banerjee, Head of Knowledge Management and Communication Unit,
European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)*

*Liselotte Isaksson, Head of Sector, Western Balkans Regional Cooperation and
Programmes - Civil Society and Social Inclusion, Directorate General for
European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations*

9:40 – 10:00 **Current gender equality priorities in the EU**

*Olga Martin Gonzalez, Gender Equality Coordinator, Centre of Thematic
Expertise Rule of Law/Fundamental Rights, Democracy, Directorate General
for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations*

*Elitsa Mincheva, International Relations Officer, Directorate General for
Justice, Consumer Rights and Gender Equality*

10:00 – 10:10 **Way forward: EIGE's cooperation with the EU candidate countries and
potential candidates in the Western Balkans and Turkey**

Milana Lazic, Project Coordinator, EIGE

10:10 – 11:15 **Developments of the national Gender Equality Indices and current state of play:** *presentations of Serbia, North Macedonia, Albania, Montenegro and Turkey*

11:15 – 11:45 **Coffee break and family photo**

11:45 – 13:00 **Tour de table** (*Approx. 10 minutes per project beneficiary to present key bi-annually updates*)

13:00 – 14:15 **Lunch**

14:15 – 14:45 **Civil society: shrinking space for gender equality?**

Marry Collins, Senior Policy and Advocacy Coordinator, European Women's Lobby

Yolanda Iriarte, Regional Programme Manager/Programme Specialist, Ending Violence against Women, UN Women Europe and Central Asia Regional Office

14:45 – 15:15 **Gender-based Discrimination and Labour in the Western Balkans, presentation of the Regional report**

Nicole Farnsworth, Program Director, Kosovo Women's Network

Local civil society perspective in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Dragana Dardic, Helsinki Citizens Assembly, Banja Luka

15:15 – 15:30 **Discussion**

15:30 – 16:00 **Coffee break**

16:00 – 16:30 **Presentation on the EIGE's Handbook on Sexism**

Mira Banerjee, Head of Knowledge Management and Communication Unit, EIGE

16:30 – 17:00 **Joint synergies and Meeting Conclusions**

Mira Banerjee, Head of Knowledge Management and Communication Unit and Milana Lazic, Project Coordinator, EIGE



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