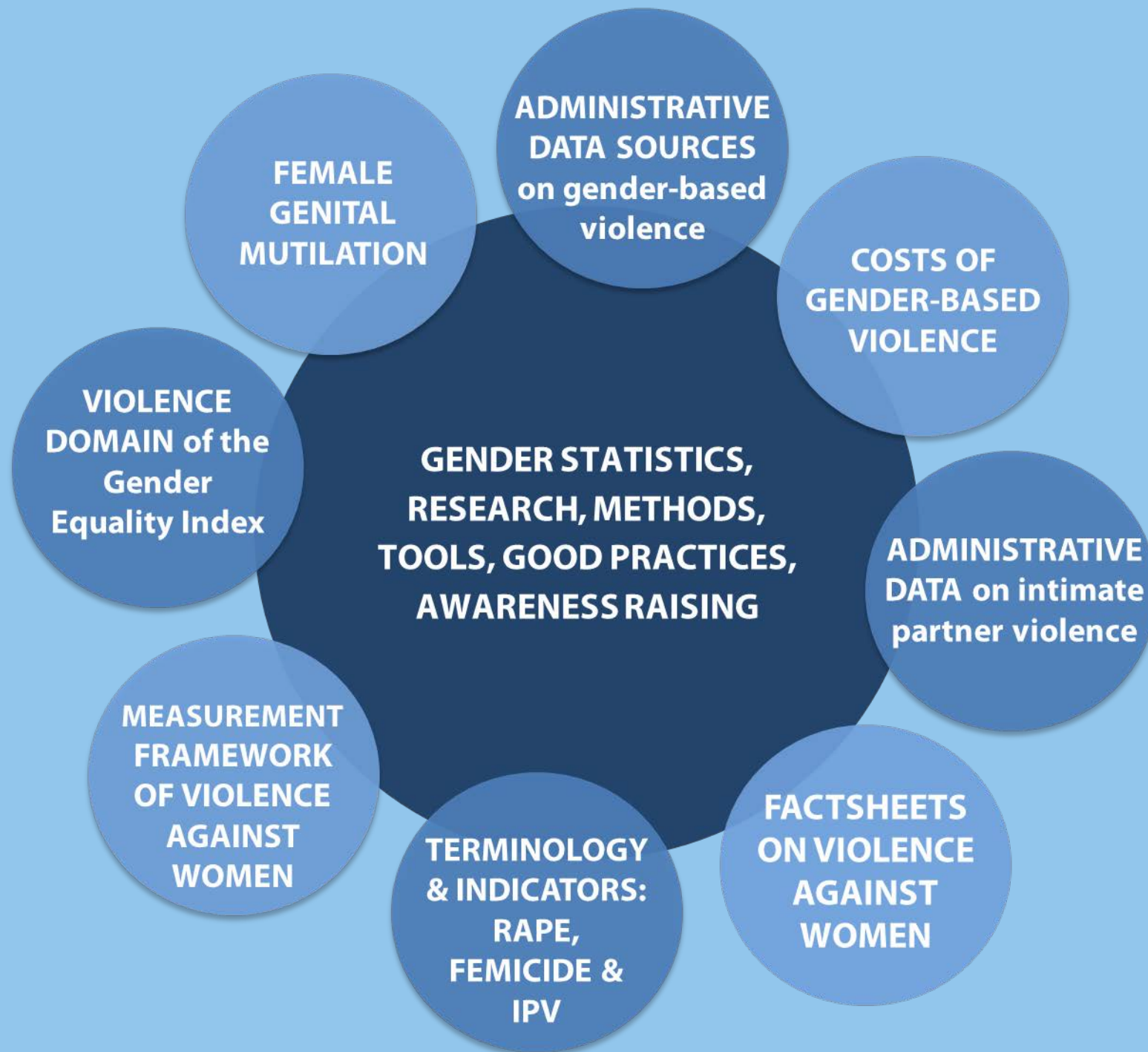


Overview of violence against women in the EU



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In the European Union



33%

of women have
experienced
violence since
the age of 15.

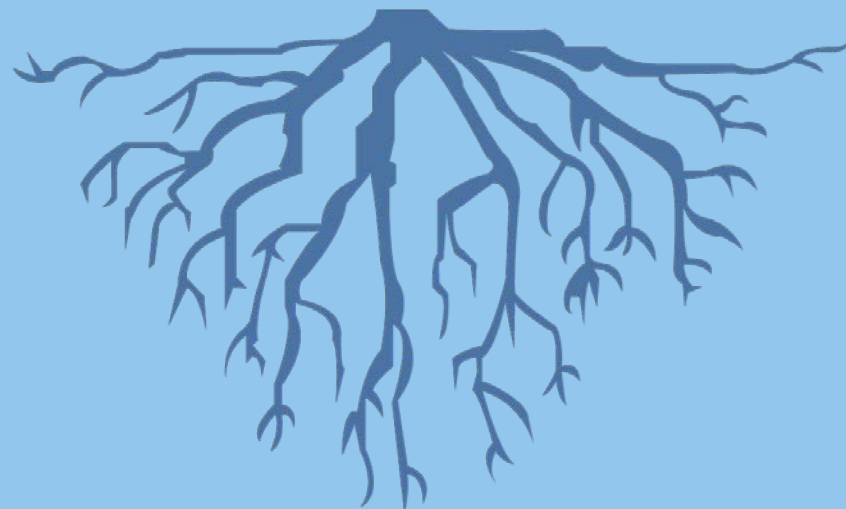
EU Year of focused action
to
combat violence against
women

NON.
NO.
NEIN.

Say No! Stop violence
against women

#SayNoStopVAW

Violence against women is rooted in women's unequal status in society and that status reflects the unbalanced distribution of social, political and economic power among women and men in society.



Anti-Trafficking
Directive
(2011/36/EU)

Directive on
the European
Protection Order
(2011/99/EU)

Istanbul
Convention
(CETS No. 210)

Beijing
Platform for
Action

CEDAW
General
Recommendation
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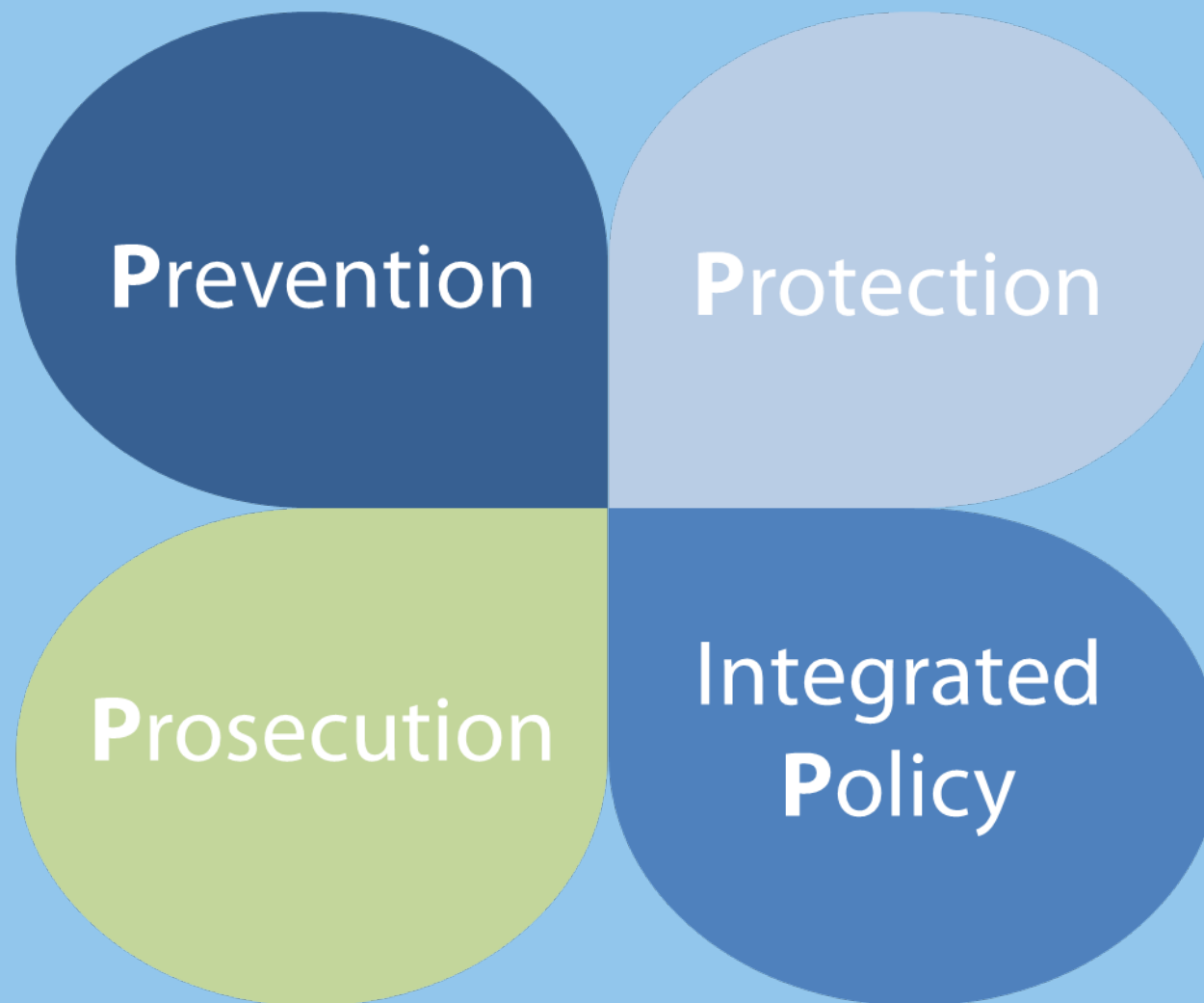
Key international and EU
instruments concerning
Violence against Women

Victims' Rights
Directive
(2012/29/EU)

Istanbul Convention

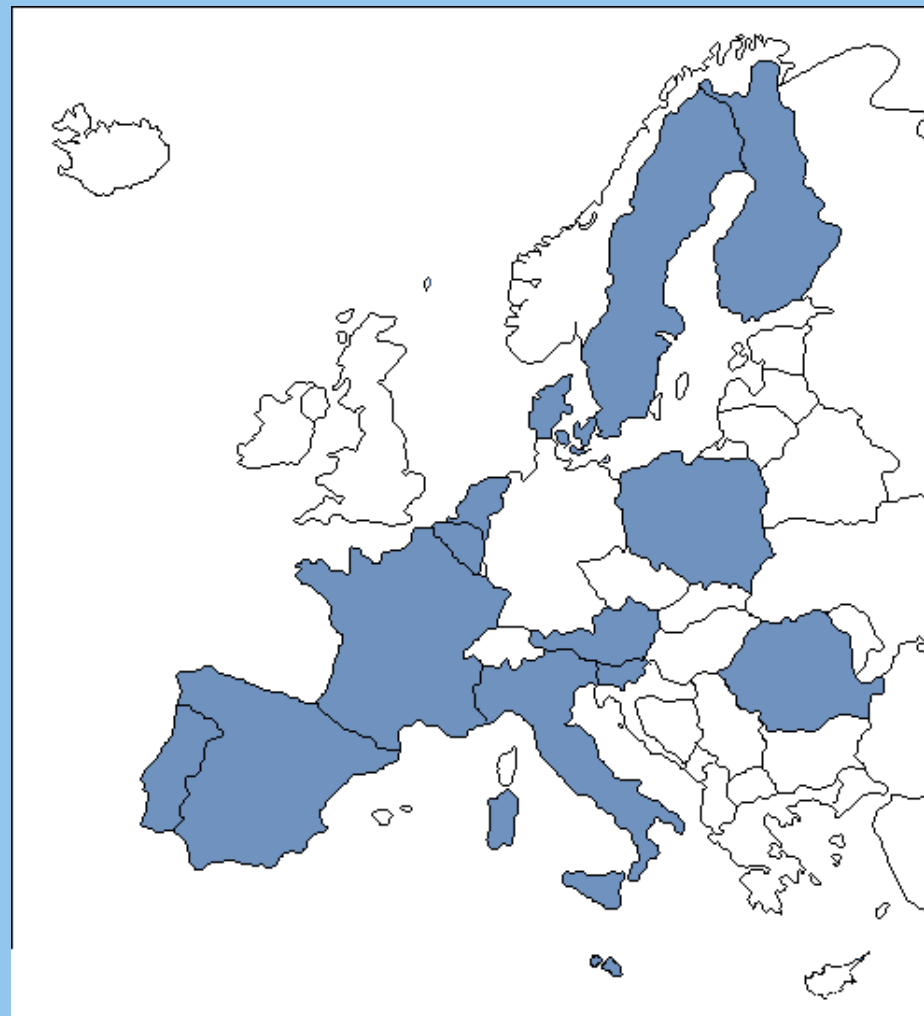
- ✓ Establishes a **legally-binding definition** of violence against women
- ✓ Sets **minimum standards** for governments to prevent and punish violence
- ✓ Takes a vital “**cross-border approach**”
- ✓ Applies in times of **peace and conflict**
- ✓ Underlines requirement for **data collection**

Due diligence

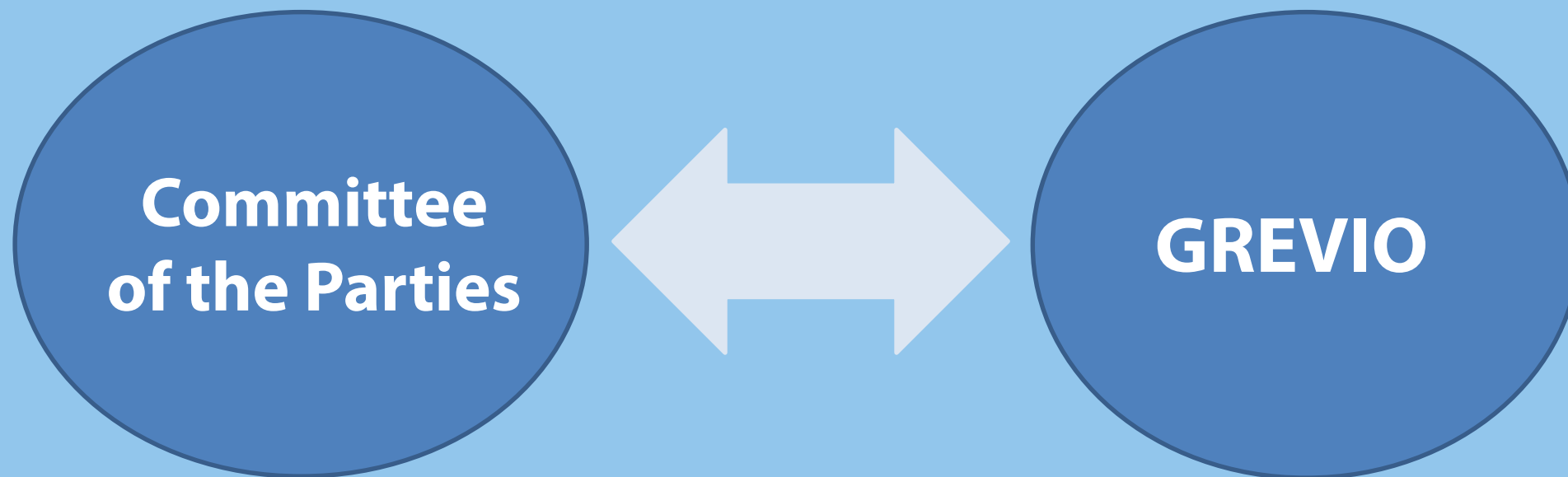


EU accession to the Istanbul Convention

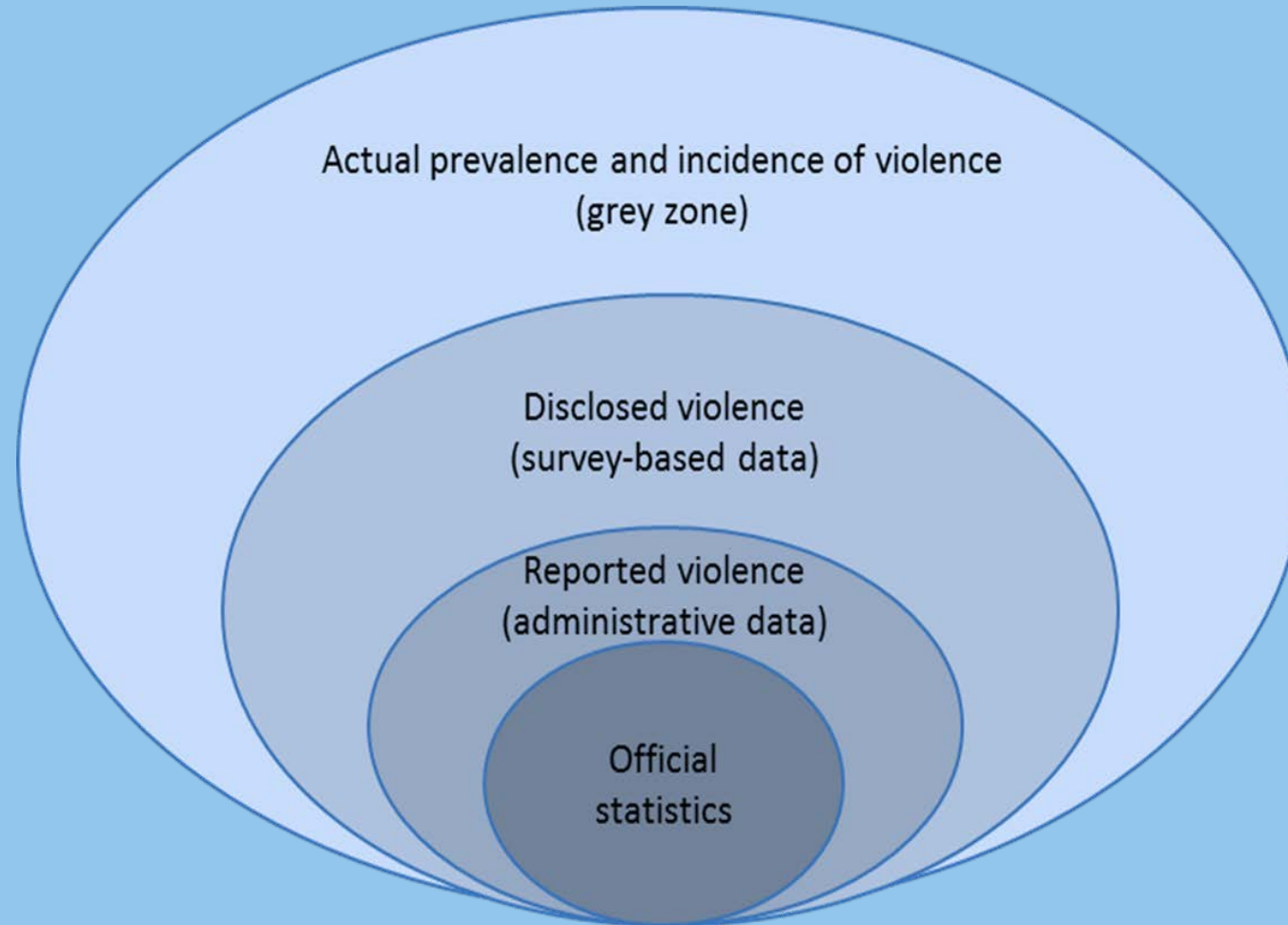
- Only **14** EU Member States have already **ratified** the Istanbul Convention
- The EU **signed** the Convention on 13 June 2017



Monitoring of the Istanbul Convention



Measuring violence against women



The EU needs better data collection

- ✓ Sex and age of victim and perpetrator
- ✓ Type of violence
- ✓ Relationship of perpetrator to victim
- ✓ Geographical location
- ✓ Any other factors (e.g. disability)


Towards regular measurement of violence against women



Develop **definitions** for statistical purposes



Propose **indicators** on administrative data



Present metadata and **test feasibility** of indicators



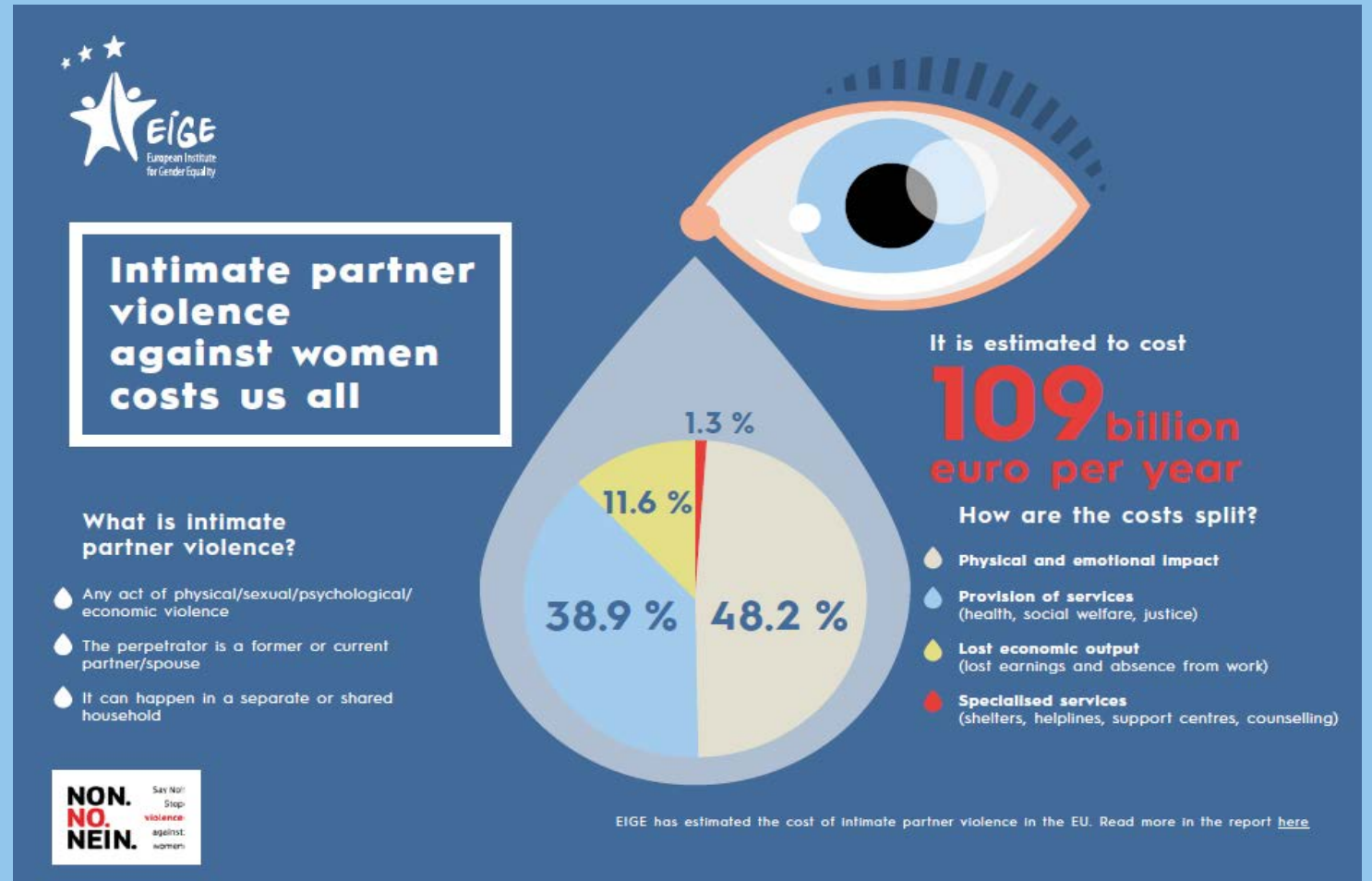
Assist Member States with meeting **reporting requirements**

Preliminary results

- **Considerable number of women is effected by partner violence but appropriate legislation is lacking**
- **Weak legislative recognition results in lack of data**
- **Only limited or no data on the victims collected**
- **The term 'intimate partner' recognised but not consistently**

Investing in prevention reduces cost

EIGE's research found that investment in prevention would reduce the huge cost to society of violence against women



Let's talk!



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