



[FemCities] Conference 2022/2023

„Sexism: a Challenge to Gender Equality“

Ljubljana, 2.-3. March 2023

PROGRAM

The **City of Ljubljana** and the **FemCities** network coordinator, the **City of Vienna** Department for Women's Affairs, invite all network partners, associated partners and interested parties to the FemCities Conference 2022/2023 hosted by the City of Ljubljana.

VENUE: **Ljubljana City Hall**

Mestni trg 1, 1000 Ljubljana

DATE: **Thursday the 2nd and Friday the 3rd of March 2023**

TIME: **09:00 – 17:30/17:00 (local time)**

The conference language is English.

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Discrimination on any grounds whatsoever, be they gender, race, ethnicity, religion, beliefs, disability, age, sexual orientation, is against the law. However, the practice of stereotyping groups of society in gendered ways and discriminating against them is still prevalent. Ten years after the FemCities Conference 2012 on „Ending Gender Stereotyping and Sexist Portrayals in Advertising“ the topic of **SEXISM** is still pressing and a challenge to gender equality. The Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers adopted in 2019 the Recommendation on Preventing and Combating Sexism (CM/Rec(2019)1). The questions of sexism and women's participation in politics, the ongoing glass ceiling, hate speech against women, the stereotypical portrayal of women in media and sexism in general will therefore be on the agenda of the upcoming FemCities Conference in Ljubljana

PROGRAM

1. CONFERENCE DAY: THURSDAY 2ND OF MARCH 2023

09:00: Arrival, Registration and Coffee

09:30: Official Welcome and opening of the conference – ZORAN JANKOVIĆ, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LJUBLJANA

Welcome words and introduction by host – Tanja Hodnik, Head of Department for Health and Social Care of the City of Ljubljana

Welcome words by FemCities coordinator – Stephanie Kiessling, City of Vienna, Department for Women's Affairs

10:00: Keynote Speech 'Immunity and normalisation of sexism in politics' – Milica Antić Gaber, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Arts

10:45: Keynote Speech 'Sexism from a European Perspective' – Christiane Ugbor, Executive Committee Member, European Women's Lobby

11:30: Coffee Break

12:00: Round Table on ‚Activities of the City of Ljubljana‘

Speakers: **Simona Topolinjak**, coordinator for equal opportunities, Head of Social Care Section, Department of Health and Social Care
Melita Oven, Head of Schooling Section, Department for Education
Irena Strelec, senior advisor, City Council Administration Office and Advisor of Commission for naming the districts and streets City of Ljubljana
Mateja Veble, senior advisor, Department for Culture
Karmen Žirovnik, Head of Marketing Section, Mayor's Office

Moderation: **Špela Veselič**, City of Ljubljana, Department for Health and Social Care

13:30: Lunch Break

14:30: Round Table on ‚FemCities network partners‘

Speakers: **Nina Gabryś**, Plenipotentiary of the Mayor of **Krakow** for Equality Policy
Spencer Kirpach, Attaché Equality in Municipalities, **Luxembourgish** Ministry of Equality between Women and Men
Priska Pschaid, City of **Graz**, Strategic Unit Gender Management at the CEO's office and Ombud for Equality
Sarah Caquineau, Head of the 'Non sexist city' unit within the Equality department of the City of **Nantes**
Sophie Rendl, City of **Vienna**, Department for Women's Affairs
Jana Radić, City of **Zagreb**, Head of Department for Promoting Human Rights and Civil Society (City Office for Culture, International Relations and Civil Society)

Moderation: **Karima Aziz**, City of Vienna, Department for Women's Affairs

16:00: Parallel Workshops hosted by FemCities network partners:

- **Workshop 1:** ‚Why Are There So Few statues of women in our cities?‘ – **Nina Gabryś**, Plenipotentiary of the Mayor of Krakow for Equality Policy
- **Workshop 2:** ‚Stop Sexism! See it. Name it. Stop it. – Campaign against Sexism‘ – **Spencer Kirpach and Patrick Kleinbauer**, Luxembourgish Ministry of Equality between Women and Men
- **Workshop 3:** ‚Power, abuse, men: #metoo as an example of social media activism and its limits‘ – **Claudia Throm**, City of Vienna, Department for Women's Affairs Vienna

17:30: End of 1st Conference Day

19:15: Conference Dinner – Meeting Point in front of City Hall

Dinner at 19:30: Restaurant Gostilna na Gradu, Grajska planota 1 (Ljubljana Castle)

2. CONFERENCE DAY: FRIDAY 3rd OF MARCH 2023

09:00: Arrival, Registration and Coffee

09:30: Official Welcome – Antonija Poplas Susič, Director of Community Health Centre Ljubljana

09:45: Keynote Speech ‚It's the end of the world as we know it: Anti-gender backlash in Europe‘ – **Roman Kuhar**, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Arts

10:30: Round Table on ‚Sexism as Hate Speech‘

Speakers: **Nina Gabryś**, Plenipotentiary of the Mayor of Krakow for Equality Policy
Erzsébet Fanni Tóth, Coordinator of an International Ph.D. programme at Sigmund Freud University Vienna, Founder and CEO of Femspace
Katarina Kresal, Attorney, Founder and President of the European Centre for Dispute Resolution, and Managing Partner of the Law Firm Senica & Partners
Manca G. Renko, Historian, currently working at the ERC Eirene project at Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana

Moderation: **Špela Veselič**, City of Ljubljana, Department for Health and Social Care

12:00: Coffee Break

12:30: Round Table on ‚Sexism in Journalism‘

Speakers: **Rada Borić**, Member of Zagreb City Assembly, President of Gender Equality Commission of the City of Zagreb, Feminist Linguist
Nika Kunaver, Investigative Journalist POP TV
Grega Repovž, Journalist, Editor-In-Chief at Mladina weekly
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Moderation: **Nataša Briški**, Co-Founder Meta's list, Media Strategist, Journalist and Podcaster

14:00: Closing Remarks

14:00: Lunch Break

15:00: Field Excursions (in parallel or consecutively tba):

- City of Women: Feminist Tour around Ljubljana
- Kresija Exhibition with Guides

Meeting Point in front of City Hall

17:00: End of Conference

Moderation: Danči Marazž, City of Ljubljana, Department for Health and Social Care & **Karima Aziz**, City of Vienna, Department for Women's Affairs

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