

**International SYNERGY Conference**  
**“Protection of people experiencing domestic violence”**  
**(Warsaw, 25 September 2024)**

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- Online transmission
- Conference bulletin to be distributed

**AGENDA**

**Wednesday, 25th September 2024**

08:30-09:00	<b>Registration of participants</b>
09:00-09:20	<p><b>Opening speech by:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Zuzanna Rudzińska-Bluszcz, Deputy Minister of Justice, Poland</b></li> <li>2. <b>Øystein Bø, Ambassador of Norway to Poland / Aleksandra Wacko, Counsellor for Norway Grants, Embassy of the Kingdom of Norway</b></li> <li>3. <b>Roberto Olla, Head of Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department, Council of Europe</b></li> <li>4. <b>Katarzyna Kotula, Minister for Equality, Poland</b></li> </ol>
	<p><b>Protection of victims of domestic and gender-based violence – what can be done to make the system more efficient.</b></p> <p><b>Exchange of views and promising practices.</b></p>
09:20-10:35	<p><b>Panel 1: Safety of children. Challenges faced and solutions to be taken in the changing world – different perspectives.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Protection of children from violence from the perspective of Council of Europe’s standards (Lanzarote Convention) <b>(Roberto Olla, Head of Human Dignity and Gender Equality Department, Council of Europe)</b></li> <li>2. Protection of children from the perspective of Children’s Ombudsman standards <b>(Katarzyna Tomaszewska, Children’s Ombudsman Office, Poland)</b></li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Protection of children from the perspective of Polish law, strategies and programs (<b>Piotr Kłysz, Polish Ministry of Justice, Family and Juvenile Matters Department</b>)</li> <li>4. Protection of children from the perspective of Polish non-governmental agencies (<b>Katarzyna Katana, Empowering Children Foundation (Fundacja Dajemy Dzieciom Siłę), Poland</b>)</li> <li>5. Protection of children from the perspective of a SYNERGY country (<b>Susana Mota, Commission For Citizenship and Gender Equality, Portugal</b>)</li> </ol> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Questions and answers</b></p> <p><b>Wrap-up</b></p>
10:35-10:55	Coffee break
10:55 – 12:00	<p><b>Panel 2: Economic violence – different forms and ways to deal with it</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Council of Europe’s standards and promising practices on economic violence (<b>Jenna Shearer Demir and Kerstin Schinnerl, Council of Europe</b>)</li> <li>2. Dealing with economic violence from the perspective of Norwegian standards (<b>Solveig Bergman, Norwegian Centre for Violence and Traumatic Stress Studies - NKVTS</b>)</li> <li>3. The problem of economic violence from the perspective of Polish non-governmental agencies (<b>Urszula Nowakowska, Women’s Rights Centre (Centrum Praw Kobiet), Poland</b>)</li> </ol> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Questions and answers</b></p> <p><b>Wrap-up</b></p>
12:00-13:35	Lunch break
13:35–14:50	<p><b>Panel 3: Measures to protect and support victims of violence – how different countries deal with protection of victims using the procedures in place and what else can be done.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Council of Europe’s standards and promising practices on emergency barring orders and restraining/protection orders and promising practices (<b>Jenna Shearer Demir and Kerstin Schinnerl, Council of Europe</b>)</li> <li>2. Norwegian standards regarding emergency barring orders and restraining/protection orders (<b>Jane Dullum, Oslo Metropolitan University</b>)</li> <li>3. Protective measures from the perspective of Polish law (<b>Monika Szczepanowska, Polish Ministry of Justice, Family and Juvenile Matters Department</b>)</li> <li>4. Supporting measures and procedures from the perspective of Polish non-governmental agencies (<b>Joanna Gzyra-Iskandar, Feminoteka Foundation, Poland</b>)</li> </ol>

	<p><b>5. Protection of and support to victims from the perspective of a SYNERGY country's standards (Monaliza Cirstea and Carmen Niculescu, National Agency for Equality between Women and Men in Romania (ANES))</b></p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Questions and answers</b></p> <p><b>Wrap-up</b></p>
14:50-15:10	Coffee break
15:10-16:20	<p><b>Panel 4: Practical application of protective measures – problems and promising practices, cooperation of services, NGOs and institutions on immediate response to violence (victim-focused)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. The Council of Europe's standards and promising practices practical application of protective measures (Jenna Shearer Demir and Kerstin Schinnerl, Council of Europe)</b></li> <li><b>2. Emergency barring orders and restraining/protection orders from the perspective of Norwegian practice (Torodd Rødø, Oslo Police District)</b></li> <li><b>3. Emergency barring orders and restraining/protection orders from the perspective of Polish practice (Marta Świnecka, Polish National Police Headquarters)</b></li> <li><b>4. Supporting measures and procedures from the perspective of the institution of Commissioner for Human Rights (Aleksandra Szczerba, Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Poland)</b></li> </ol> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Questions and answers</b></p> <p><b>Wrap-up</b></p>
16:20-16:30	<b>Final session:</b> Lessons learned, concluding word
18:00-21:00	<p><b>Dinner</b></p> <p><u>Venue:</u> Hotel NOVOTEL**** Warszawa Airport, address: 1 Sierpnia 1</p>