

Pledge

in support of the horizontal Directive on Combatting and Preventing All Forms of Violence Against Women and Girls



Dear President von der Leyen,
Dear Commissioner Dalli,
Dear Commissioner Johansson,

We the undersigned hereby pledge our support to you in the project of realising a horizontal **Directive on Combatting and Preventing All Forms of Violence Against Women and Girls**.

We believe in equality between women and men and know this can only be achieved when we work together to end male violence against women and girls, something that affects millions throughout Europe on a daily basis.

We recognise gender-based violence against women and girls is a serious and international crime, and should be recognised as such under the European Treaties. The upcoming Directive should place gender equality at its heart, and cover all forms of crime covered by the Istanbul Convention and also include online VAWG and sexual exploitation.

We stand with you in your efforts to end all forms of violence against women and girls and urge you to take bold and ambitious legal actions.

