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**COUNCIL OF EUROPE CAMPAIGN
TO COMBAT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN,
INCLUDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**JOINT CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS AND
CONTACT PARLIAMENTARIANS**

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Room 1
Strasbourg, France**

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**Organised by the Gender Equality and Anti-Trafficking Division of the
Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs
and the Parliamentary Assembly
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**FINAL
PROGRAMME**

**Venue: Palais de l'Europe
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9:30 Opening of the meeting by

- Mr Terry DAVIS, Secretary General, Council of Europe
- Mr Pēteris Kārlis ELFERTS, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Latvia to the Council of Europe, Thematic Co-ordinator on Gender Equality of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe
- Ms Gülsün BILGEHAN, Chairperson, Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men, Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe
- Ms Sandra BARNES, Member of the Committee on Social Cohesion of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

Chair: Ms Hilary Fisher

Chairperson, Council of Europe Task Force to Combat Violence against Women, including Domestic Violence

10:00 Introductory statement

I. Interaction between governments and parliaments to combat violence against women

10:10 Keynote addresses by

- Ms Carina HÄGG, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on Violence against Women, Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe
- Ms Dubravka ŠIMONVIĆ, Vice-Chair, Council of Europe Task Force to Combat Violence against Women, including Domestic Violence

Questions and discussion

10:40 Joint parliamentary and governmental action to combat violence against women

- Ms Line NERSNÆS, Senior adviser, Department of Police, Ministry of Justice, National Focal Point, Norway

Questions and discussion

11:15 Coffee Break

II. Multi-agency co-operation to combat violence against women

11:30 Introduction by the Chair

Panel discussion moderated by Mr Daniel RIOT, Journalist, France

- Ms Gemma GALLEGRO-SANCHEZ, Judge, Madrid, Spain
- Ms Funmi JOHNSON, Crown Prosecution Service, United Kingdom
- Mr André KONZE, Programme Manager of the "Police and Human Rights beyond 2000 Programme" of the Council of Europe and former Head of Police Department of the City of Hagen, Germany

- Ms Rosa LOGAR, Domestic Abuse Intervention Centre, (Vienna, Austria), and WAVE-Network, member of the Council of Europe Task Force to Combat Violence against Women, including Domestic Violence
- Ms Tracy MORRISON, Specialist Domestic Violence Courts Programme Manager, Her Majesty's Courts Service, United Kingdom
- Ms Angelika NAKE, European Women Lawyers' Association and Menz and Partner Law Firm, Germany

12.30 The governmental perspective

- Ms Päivi YLI-PIETILÄ, Gender Equality Unit, Finance and Planning Department, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Focal Point, Finland
- Ms Zuzana VRANOVA, State Advisor, Department on Family and Gender Policy, Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family, Focal Point, Slovakia

12.40 The parliamentary perspective

- Ms Sotiroulla CHARALAMBOUS, Chair of the Standing Committee on Equal Opportunities for Men and Women of the House of Representatives, Contact parliamentarian, Cyprus

Questions and discussion

12.50 Official group photo

13:00 Lunch offered by Ms Gülsün BILGEHAN, Chairperson, Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men, Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe

III. Spreading the message: how to raise awareness on violence against women

14:30 Keynote speaker

- Ms Ann HAMILTON, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Zero Tolerance Charitable Trust, United Kingdom

National campaigning experiences

- Ms Esengul CIVELEK, Director General on the Status and Problems of Women, Office of the Prime Minister, Focal Point, Turkey
- Mr Jose MENDES BOTA, PACE Rapporteur on "Parliaments united in combating domestic violence against women: mid-term evaluation", Contact parliamentarian, Portugal

Questions and discussion

15:40 Closing address by

- Ms Maud DE BOER-BUQUICCHIO, Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe
- Ms Gülsün BILGEHAN, Chairperson of the Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men, Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe

16:00 End of conference