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### NOTES FROM THE CHAIR Mikael Gustafsson

The FEMM committee is not only emphasizing the challenges related to gender equality from a human rights perspective in the EU but is also a strong voice for these issues when it comes to the EU external policy. The promotion of women's rights, gender equality and the eradication of men's violence against women must be the focal point in all human rights dialogues conducted by the EU with third countries with which cooperation or association agreements have been or are to be signed. In connection to this, at the coming meeting we will put forward our opinion on the annual report on Human Rights and democracy. Also linked to the external dimension, we will have a discussion with Ms Rashida Manjoo, UN Special Rapporteur at a joint meeting with the DROI committee and the Euro-Latin American delegation. The current economic and social crisis is having particularly serious consequences for women and especially for aged women and the services provided to them, exacerbating inequalities and discrimination based not only on gender but also on age and state of health. The report on the prevention of age-related diseases of women is on our agenda and will be voted. We will also vote on the Justice programme 2014-2020. We are also looking forward to welcoming a delegation from the German Bundestag to our committee meeting!

### 9 OCTOBER – JOINT MEETING WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

- 🕒 Rashida Manjoo, UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women - exchange of views
- 🕒 Enhancing EU action to support universal standards for women's rights during democratic transitions - presentation of study

**Date:** Tuesday, 9 October, 9.00-12.30

**Venue:** Altiero Spinelli building, Room 5G2, Brussels

### 10 OCTOBER – MEETING AGENDA IN BRIEF

- 🕒 Eliminating gender stereotypes in the EU - consideration of amendments
- 🕒 The integration of migrants, its effects on the labour market and the external dimension of social security coordination - consideration of draft opinion

- 🕒 Visit of a Delegation of Members from the Committee on Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth from Deutscher Bundestag (German Parliament)

### THE COMMITTEE WILL VOTE ON

- 🕒 Prevention of age-related diseases of women - adoption of draft report
- 🕒 The sexualisation of girls - adoption of draft report
- 🕒 Annual report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World 2011 and the European Union's policy on the matter - adoption of draft opinion
- 🕒 Justice Programme for 2014-2020 - adoption of draft opinion
- 🕒 Proposal for a Council decision establishing the Specific Programme implementing Horizon 2020 - The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) - adoption of amendments
- 🕒 Proposal for a regulation on European statistics on demography - adoption of amendments

**Date:** Wednesday, 10 October, 9.00-12.30 and 15.00-18.30

**Venue:** Altiero Spinelli building, Room 1G3, Brussels

**Live web streaming of the meeting [here](#).**

### RASHIDA MANJOO, UN SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

#### Exchange of views



The exchange of views takes place at a joint meeting with the [Subcommittee on Human Rights](#) (DROI) and in association with the [Delegation to the Euro-Latin](#)

[American Parliamentary Assembly](#). Rashida Manjoo, UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women, [its causes and consequences](#) will present her latest report to the Members, what will be followed by a discussion.

### ENHANCING EU ACTION TO SUPPORT UNIVERSAL STANDARDS FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS DURING DEMOCRATIC TRANSITIONS

#### Presentation of study

The study, which will be presented at the joint meeting of the DROI and FEMM committees on 9

October, analyses the recent developments related to the Arab Spring. Both committees have been active in following up and reporting about the Arab Spring, including its consequences on women's rights and gender equality.

## ELIMINATING GENDER STEREOTYPES IN THE EU

### Consideration of amendments

Rapporteur: **Kartika Tamara Liotard** (GUE/NGL)



The committee held a discussion on the [draft report](#) at its meeting in July, when the deadline for tabling amendments was also set. The draft report received [186 amendments](#), which will be subject of the discussion at the committee's upcoming meeting, in view of the vote at a following committee meeting.

## THE INTEGRATION OF MIGRANTS, ITS EFFECTS ON THE LABOUR MARKET AND THE EXTERNAL DIMENSION OF SOCIAL SECURITY COORDINATION

### Consideration of draft opinion

Draftsperson: **Joanna Senyszyn** (S&D)



The draftsperson emphasises the need for increased visibility of migrant women's rights in the relevant EU policies and also states the major risk of discrimination migrant women currently face. The [draft opinion](#) also calls for integration measures and gender-sensitive legal practices in order to ensure the protection of migrant women against abuse, harassment and discrimination.

## VISIT OF A DELEGATION OF MEMBERS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FAMILY AFFAIRS, SENIOR CITIZENS, WOMEN AND YOUTH FROM DEUTSCHER BUNDESTAG, BERLIN

The [Committee](#) on Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth of the German Bundestag is responsible for or asked for its opinion on all bills, motions, reports, resolutions and EU items relating to families, senior citizens, women and young people. The delegation's visit to the committee meeting will provide an excellent opportunity to discuss gender issues on the EU agenda.

## PREVENTION OF AGE-RELATED DISEASES OF WOMEN

### Adoption of draft report

Rapporteur: **Roberta Angelilli** (EPP)

The committee discussed the [draft report](#) at its meeting in July. Members tabled [193 amendments](#) to the Rapporteur's text, which reflects the importance of the issue and the attention paid to it. Now the committee will vote on the draft report, the amendments and the compromise amendments



proposed by the Rapporteur to ensure a broader support for the final text.

## THE SEXUALISATION OF GIRLS

### Adoption of draft report

Rapporteur: **Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska** (EPP)

Following the discussion of the [draft report](#) at its July meeting, committee will now vote on the draft report, the [134 amendments](#) tabled to the original text and the compromise amendments proposed by the Rapporteur.

## ANNUAL REPORT ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY IN THE WORLD 2011 AND THE EUROPEAN UNION'S POLICY ON THE MATTER

### Adoption of draft opinion

Draftsperson: **Mariya Gabriel** (EPP)

At the previous committee meeting, the draftsperson's [text](#) was presented to the committee followed by a discussion among Members. 21 amendments were tabled to the draft opinion, which will now be put to the vote and the final opinion will be sent to the [Committee on Foreign Affairs](#) (AFET).

## JUSTICE PROGRAMME FOR 2014-2020

### Adoption of draft opinion

Draftsperson: **Mariya Gabriel** (EPP)

Following the discussion of the [draft opinion](#) at the committee meeting in the beginning of September, Members tabled [22 amendments](#) to the draftsperson's text. The committee will now adopt its final text and send it to the report of the [JURI](#) and



[LIBE](#) committees, in order to ensure that gender aspects will be incorporated.

## GENDER MAINSTREAMING AMENDMENTS

At their current meeting the committee will adopt so called "[gender mainstreaming amendments](#)" to be directly tabled to the report of other committees, under the concept of gender mainstreaming in the work of EP committees. Amendments to the following reports will be adopted:

- [Proposal for a Council decision establishing the Specific Programme implementing Horizon 2020 - The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation \(2014-2020\)](#) (ITRE)
- [Proposal for a regulation on European statistics on demography](#) (EMPL)

### Details of the next meeting

5 November, 15.00 - 18.30, Brussels  
6 November, 9.00 - 12.30, Brussels