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Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Rapporteur: Malin Björk

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Draft amendment 6000

=== FEMM/6000 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 02 66

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 02 66							772 887 949	544 200 000	772 887 949	544 200 000
Reserve										
Total							772 887 949	544 200 000	772 887 949	544 200 000

Heading:

European Social Fund — Less developed regions — Investment to increase women's employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to promote equality between women and men in order to improve the employability of women and their participation in the labour market through specific actions under the ESF growth and jobs goal in less developed regions in the 2014-2020 programming period. Special attention should be paid to non-discrimination in the labour market, combating the feminisation of poverty, access to education and affordable childcare services.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

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Justification:

Article 7 of the European Social Fund Regulation lays down the principle of gender equality and the obligation to implement gender mainstreaming throughout the preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the operational programmes. In addition, one of the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy is to reach a target of 75% employment rate. Unfortunately, women's employment rate is systematically lower than men's employment rate, therefore, we need targeted actions with a specific budget allocation to improve this situation.

Draft amendment 6001

=== FEMM/6001 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 02 67

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 02 67							193 550 322	148 200 000	193 550 322	148 200 000
Reserve										
Total							193 550 322	148 200 000	193 550 322	148 200 000

Heading:

European Social Fund - Transition regions - Investment to increase women's employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

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Draft amendment 6002

=== FEMM/6002 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 02 68

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 02 68							376 830 505	326 950 000	376 830 505	326 950 000
Reserve										
Total							376 830 505	326 950 000	376 830 505	326 950 000

Heading:

European Social Fund — More developed regions — Investment to increase women's employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to promote equality between women and men in order to improve the employability of women and their participation in the labour market through specific actions under the ESF growth and jobs goal in more developed regions in the 2014-2020 programming period. Special attention should be paid to non-discrimination in the labour market, combating the feminisation of poverty, access to education and affordable childcare services.

Legal basis:

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Draft amendment 6003

=== FEMM/6003 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 03 54

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 03 54									p.m.	p.m.
Reserve							500 000	500 000	500 000	500 000
Total							500 000	500 000	500 000	500 000

Heading:

Mainstreaming gender in the area of competences of ELA

Remarks:

Add following text:

New Article

The appropriation is intended to cover the implementation of gender mainstreaming in the area of competences of the European Labour Authority, including the implementation of gender impact assessments and the inclusion of specific indicators in the annual and multiannual programmes, the implementation of gender budgeting, the inclusion of a gender dimension in the monitoring and reporting, the collection of gender-disaggregated data and the coordination with EIGE.

Conditions for releasing the reserve:

Add following text:

These appropriations have been entered in the reserve and will be released following the adoption of the legislative act establishing the European Labour Authority.

Reference acts:

Add following text:

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 13 March 2018, establishing a European Labour Authority (COM(2018) 131 final).

Justification:

The European Labour Authority will play an important role in the area of cross-border labour mobility. Since women are disproportionately and often involuntarily concentrated in precarious work, it is important to introduce measures, with its specific budget allocation, to ensure gender equality also in this domain.

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Draft amendment 6004 === FEMM/6004 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 03 77 28

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 03 77 28							600 000	300 000	600 000	300 000
Reserve										
Total							600 000	300 000	600 000	300 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Promoting European inclusive workplaces by supporting Muslim women’s access to employment

Remarks:

Add following text:

Several international, European and national reports have highlighted the high rates of Muslim women, especially those who are visibly Muslims. In this sense, discrimination against Muslims has been described by many researchers and advocates as an extreme form of gendered discrimination. Wearing the headscarf is a key obstacle in finding or keeping a job. This is best exemplified by the fact that the first two cases on religious discrimination brought before the Court of Justice of the European Union were about dismissals on the basis of the wearing of the headscarf by two Muslim women, one case in France and another in Belgium.

Objectives

1. Promote the development of inclusive workplaces across Europe

2. Document employers' practices related to neutrality rules and bans on religious dresses
3. Strengthen and build capacities of Muslim women to access their rights and access to employment
4. Support a correct implementation of the Equality Employment Directive and its recent case law in front of the Court of Justice of the European Union.

Key actions

- a. Commission a study on European companies' practices related to neutrality and religious diversity. This would help to understand the extent to which companies have introduced neutrality rules that prohibit or allow religious dresses. This study could also show if there has been any impact of the Achbita and Bougnaoui cases on employers' diversity and neutrality policies.
- b. Develop a third-party reporting mechanism that would allow Muslim women to anonymously report any perceived abuses regarding religious dress restrictions at work and in higher education (in 5 identified countries). A body will be charged to check the legality of reported cases.
- c. Develop an awareness-raising campaign promoting inclusive workplaces and Muslim women's agency and informing about reporting mechanism (in 5 identified countries).
- d. Organise an EU high-level forum with public and private employers, NGOs, trade unions, diversity trainers, etc. from across Europe and North America to share positive practices of religious diversity and highlight key solutions to main obstacles. This high-level forum would include a specific workshop on how to deal with the implications of the Achbita and Bougnaoui cases for both employers and employees.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

This project will support the development and sharing of inclusive diversity practices across Europe and the full inclusion of all women, including Muslim women, to access the labour market and be economically independent.

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Draft amendment 6005

=== FEMM/6005 ===

Tabled by Sirpa Pietikäinen, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 03 77 29

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 03 77 29							200 000	100 000	200 000	100 000
Reserve										
Total							200 000	100 000	200 000	100 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Young carers in Europe: Who are they and what support do they need?

Remarks:

Add following text:

There is very limited data on young (adult) carers in EU Member States. Limited national statistics show that approximately 6-7% of carers in EU Member States including Sweden and the Netherlands are young carers under the age of 17. The 2016 census in Ireland revealed that children under 15 provided 2,2 million hours of care per year. In Italy there are thought to be close to 170,000 young people (15-24 years) with caring responsibilities. Young carers (under 18 years olds) and young adult carers (aged 18-24) provide care, assistance or support to another family member – a parent, sibling or other relative who is disabled, has a chronic illness, mental health problem or other condition with a need for care, support or supervision. According to EIGE, five times as many young women aged 15-24 are engaged in care work (including care for elderly, people with disabilities, and in this research also care for children, which is not part of informal care) as young men in this age group.

These young carers carry out significant caring tasks and assume a responsibility that would usually be associated with an adult. Their education, health, development and well-being is effected by this work.

Juggling overlapping responsibilities, young carers and young adult carers find it challenging to attend and complete education. This goes against the Europe2020 strategy target of reducing the rate of early school leaving. Young carers' roles may be a source of overwhelming pressure, increasing risks for mental health problems, that further make it difficult to enter education or employment.

Currently, young carers do not feature in EU Member States' or European policy agendas. There is little awareness of their experiences and needs, few targeted policies or interventions, and no targeted legal provisions that address young carers.

Much more needs to be done accross Europe to: 1) research and identify young (adult) carers and know their numbers; 2) based on consultations with young (adult) carers, understand how their roles as carers affect their well-being. Specific research should be taken to identify the impact on the health and education of young carers, and how this may impact their further social exclusion and ability to secure employment. Research should provide information on what support young carers and adult carers would want to have available; 3) determine how instruments such as the European Semester, ESIF, European Platform for Investing in Children, Youth Guarantee and Open Method of Coordination can be used to promote the development of integrated approaches for the identification, support and social integration of young (adult) carers across Europe; and 4) raise awareness, disseminate and make visible good practices with regards to identification, recognition and assessment and provision of support services for young (adult) carers.

The pilot project is based on Article 153 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), which foresees in Article 153(1) (i) that “(W)ith a view to achieving the objectives of Article 151, the Union shall support and complement the activities of the Member States in the following fields: (...)

(i) equality between men and women with regard to labour market opportunities and treatment at work;”

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Investing in children and young people is a social investment. We must ensure that rights of young (adult) carers are fulfilled, including the right to education, to highest attainable standard of health and to leisure and play.

The research from this project will support the further development of the European Social Pillar and high-quality implementation, for young (adult) carers, of its key principles, including the principles of equal opportunities, work-life balance and support to children.

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Draft amendment 6006

=== FEMM/6006 ===

Tabled by João Pimenta Lopes, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, João Ferreira, Miguel Viegas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 03 77 30

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 03 77 30							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Effects on families and on the exercise of parenting phenomena such as increased poverty

Remarks:

Add following text:

This pilot project is intended to conduct a study on the effects of phenomena such as increased poverty, unemployment and insecurity and in the exercise of parenting

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Rising unemployment, instability and precariousness in employment, household debt, lack of social infrastructure to support children and young people, the health system weaknesses and the reduction of social benefits have effects on families and the exercise of parenting and on reconciling professional, personal and family life.

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Draft amendment 6007

=== FEMM/6007 ===

Tabled by João Pimenta Lopes, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, João Ferreira, Miguel Viegas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 03 77 31

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 03 77 31							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Guarantee of equality between men and women by increasing public network of

nurseries, kinder gartens and public service of leisure activities for children

Remarks:

Add following text:

This project aims to conduct a study to compare the levels of development and social integration of children who have access to preschool education and support in leisure compared with children who do not enjoy these services.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Pre-school education is fundamental to the development of children and equality education has impacts on self-esteem, ability to participate in social life.

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Draft amendment 6008

==== FEMM/6008 ===

Tabled by Barbara Matera, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 04 03 77 32

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
04 03 77 32							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Development of day-care centers for children and their parents on leave to enhance equality between women and men

Remarks:

Add following text:

The proposal should operate in the framework of the new legislative package on work life balance that aims at addressing the difficulties parents and in particular, women face, including greater take up for leave by male parents. The project would aim at developing day-care centres for small children, where all children could receive care by appointed parents as well as where all parents could meet and exchange their experience, including incentives encouraging men to engage more profoundly into raising a child and taking up more paternity leave. The implementation should start in different geographical areas (Highest EU GDP per capita, average EU GDP per capita and low GDP per capita, i.e. Luxembourg/Sweden, Italy/Poland and Romania/Bulgaria) in order to assess where it would be more effective and pertinent. Finally, every center should count on a responsible and qualified person who should define targets and assess results to see if this project could be done on an extended term and range.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Most of the time it is the women who takes the leave (maternity and parental leaves), which has impact not only on her condition on the labour market, but also her well-being. The new legislative package on work life balance aims at changing this situation, including greater take up for leave by male parents. It's then in the framework of this package that this pilot project should operate.

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Draft amendment 6040

=== FEMM/6040 ===

Tabled by Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 09 04 77 22

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
09 04 77 22							500 000	250 000	500 000	250 000
Reserve										
Total							500 000	250 000	500 000	250 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Girls 4 STEM in Europe

Remarks:

Add following text:

The Pilot Project 'Girls 4 STEM in Europe' is conceived to empower girls to learn and become leaders in tech. It aims to promote and teach Science, Engineering, Technology and Maths subjects (STEM) to girls, thereby addressing the ongoing skills gap in the sector within the EU and especially the shortfall of women & increasing STEM drop-out rates of girls. The Pilot Project includes two-week summer camps and measures to engage girls in (STEM) subjects in schools by creating a network to promote best practices:

EU Network for the exchange of best practices in promoting STEM 4 girls: A network between schools, universities, companies and CSOs to attract female STEM students and employees, to raise awareness of students and academic staff regarding the full spectrum of education and training options. The network serves as a platform for exchanging experiences and support for the advancement of girls in

STEM education and careers.

The main goals of the 'EU Summer STEM Camps for Girls' is to foster new profiles and combat stereotypes for girls when choosing their secondary education and/or career. Summer STEM camps can help young girls to gain interest in science, technology, engineering and maths. The camps feature experiments, field trips and lab-based activities to show what it is like to work in science, technology, engineering and math careers. ICT companies, companies with technical departments and technical training facilities, universities, and research centers are invited to cooperate and participate in the camps.

The no-cost two-week summer camps for 13-18 year-old girls are designed to introduce middle and high

school girls to software engineering principles and programming languages. The summer program will reach all EU countries , serving 1,000+ middle and high school girls, many of whom come from underrepresented backgrounds. The will learn how to code -- strengthening abilities, boosting confidence and empowering each girl to create her own future, to achieve success in STEAM studies. The program instructors will lead instruction and programming and teach the principles of software engineering and how to code. In doing so, they will address important social issues surrounding the gender gap in STEM and foster community among scholars. The summer curriculum includes a focus on real tools (Ruby, Javascript, HTML, CSS) to empower the scholars on their educational journeys.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

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Justification:

The tech industry struggles to boost female representation and gender equality. Women make an average of 30% of workers in tech and the sector has been under fire for its relative lack of women in leadership roles. European students are less interested in STEM subjects and the EU is already running short of professionals. It is urgent to help MS since they are struggling to get students interested in STEM. A HackerRank survey (03/2018) found that female software developers older than 35 are 3,5 times more likely to hold junior positions, despite being just as capable as their male peers.

Draft amendment 6009 === FEMM/6009 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 13 03 69

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 03 69							2 014 636 053	1 609 600 032	2 014 636 053	1 609 600 032
Reserve										
Total							2 014 636 053	1 609 600 032	2 014 636 053	1 609 600 032

Heading:

European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — Less developed regions — Investment to increase women’s employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

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Legal basis:

Add following text:

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Draft amendment 6010

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Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 13 03 70

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 03 70							391 319 896	288 807 552	391 319 896	288 807 552
Reserve										
Total							391 319 896	288 807 552	391 319 896	288 807 552

Heading:

European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — Transition regions — Investment to increase women's employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

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Legal basis:

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Draft amendment 6011 === FEMM/6011 ===

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SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 13 03 71

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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 03 71							488 058 601	367 422 950	488 058 601	367 422 950
Reserve										
Total							488 058 601	367 422 950	488 058 601	367 422 950

Heading:

European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — More developed regions — Investment to increase women’s employment rate

Remarks:

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Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320), and in particular Article 7 thereof.

Justification:

Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 lays down the principle of gender equality and the obligation to implement gender mainstreaming throughout the preparation and implementation of programmes, including in relation to monitoring, reporting and evaluation. In addition, one of the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy is to reach a target of 75% employment rate. Unfortunately, women's employment rate is systematically lower than men's employment rate, therefore, we need targeted actions with a specific budget allocation to improve this situation.

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Draft amendment 6012

=== FEMM/6012 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 13 03 72

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 03 72							23 100 500	17 644 225	23 100 500	17 644 225
Reserve										
Total							23 100 500	17 644 225	23 100 500	17 644 225

Heading:

European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — Additional allocation for outermost and sparsely populated regions— Investment to increase women's employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to promote equality between women and men in order to improve the employability of women and their participation in the labour market through specific actions under the ERDF growth and jobs goal in outermost and sparsely populated regions in the 2014-2020 programming period. Special attention should be paid to non-discrimination in the labour market and combating the feminisation of poverty.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Regional Development Fund and on specific provisions concerning the Investment for growth and jobs goal and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1080/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 289).

Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320), and in particular Article 7 thereof.

Justification:

Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 lays down the principle of gender equality and the obligation to implement gender mainstreaming throughout the preparation and implementation of programmes, including in relation to monitoring, reporting and evaluation. In addition, one of the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy

is to reach a target of 75% employment rate. Unfortunately, women’s employment rate is systematically lower than men’s employment rate, therefore, we need targeted actions with a specific budget allocation to improve this situation.

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Draft amendment 6013

=== FEMM/6013 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 13 04 62

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 04 62							975 362 205	770 627 922	975 362 205	770 627 922
Reserve										
Total							975 362 205	770 627 922	975 362 205	770 627 922

Heading:

Cohesion Fund — Investment to increase women’s employment rate

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to promote equality between women and men in order to improve the employability of women and their participation in the labour market through specific actions under the Cohesion Fund growth and jobs goal in the 2014-2020 programming period. Special attention should be paid to non-discrimination in the labour market.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EU) No 1300/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the Cohesion Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1084/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 281).

Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320), and in particular Article 7 thereof.

Justification:

Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 lays down the principle of gender equality and the obligation to implement gender mainstreaming throughout the preparation and implementation of programmes, including in relation to monitoring, reporting and evaluation. In addition, one of the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy is to reach a target of 75% employment rate. Unfortunately, women’s employment rate is systematically lower than men’s employment rate, therefore, we need targeted actions with a specific budget allocation to improve this situation.

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Draft amendment 6014

=== FEMM/6014 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 17 03 01 — Third programme for the Union's action in the field of health (2014-2020)

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
17 03 01	60 467 000	47 389 000	62 258 000	54 000 000	60 758 000	54 000 000	9 242 000	16 000 000	70 000 000	70 000 000
Reserve										
Total	60 467 000	47 389 000	62 258 000	54 000 000	60 758 000	54 000 000	9 242 000	16 000 000	70 000 000	70 000 000

Remarks:

After list ending with:

- protecting citizens from serious cross-border health preparedness and coordination in health emergencies.

Add following text:

This appropriation is also intended to promote women's and girls' sexual and reproductive health and rights in EU—protected under international law and covered by the Sustainable Development Goals 3 and 5—to make their own choices about whether and when to have children. By 2030 ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive healthcare services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes.

Justification:

Women and girls have a human right—protected under international law—to make their own choices about whether and when to have children, and about how many children they have. Unintended pregnancies can affect a range of other rights, including by ending a girl's education, resulting in health complications, or putting a woman's life at risk. SDG's also apply for EU and therefore must promote women's and girls SRHR in order to achieve the SDG goals 3.7 and 5.6 by 2030.

Draft amendment 6015

=== FEMM/6015 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 17 03 77 29

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
17 03 77 29							800 000	400 000	800 000	400 000
Reserve										
Total							800 000	400 000	800 000	400 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Reaching the SDG goals 3 and 5 through targeting Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) inequalities within the different member states

Remarks:

Add following text:

The aim of this pilot project is to increase capacity to develop effective measures on how to fully assess, monitor and ensure equal access to sexual and reproductive health care services in the EU. The European Commission and the European Parliament have repeatedly concluded their dedication to the

promotion of SRHR but also acknowledged the setbacks and gaps between the different member states.

This pilot project will develop the capacities of all EU institutions, in cooperation with the civil society, to more fully assess, design and monitor measures that aim to include SRHR as one the important components of the member states gender equality policy.

The project will focus on:

How to improve impact assessments, including improving data collection on SRHR

Best practices, specially focusing on the access of disadvantaged groups of society

An effective design of a SRHR section as part of the member states Women's rights and Gender Equality policy, by developing the appropriate monitoring and implementation mechanisms

How the SRHR indicators of Goals 3 and 5 of the Sustainable Development Agenda, including ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health care services by 2030 and the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health, can be achieved

How the above mentioned international commitments can be implemented to have a noticeable positive impact on women and girls empowerment in the EU and in non-EU countries

Awareness building campaign and an effective inclusion of gender equality and comprehensive sexuality education in the school curriculums, including the promotion and funding of Gender Studies in higher education

The lessons learned and exchange of best practices regarding key women's rights conventions, promoting the implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, the Istanbul Convention, the Beijing Platform of Action.

Methodology: capacities will be built, or enhanced, through workshops lead by experts, bringing together expertise from different sectors within the EU and partner countries. Experts will derive from women's rights associations, NGO's in the field of family planning, academia, as well as professionals from the health, social and legal services. Toolkits, briefing papers and short videos will be used. Gender-sensitive/responsive guidance notes on how to monitor SRHR policies, will also be produced. Looking into what ways do different living conditions within a country impact equal access, quality of services and care, and sexual and reproductive health outcomes. How do aspects of inequalities, such as class, gender, social group, legal status or geography, intersect and affect both health status, treatment-seeking and treatment offered? Collection and publication of narratives from individuals with relevant first-hand experiences, as well as contributions from actors working in the field of SRHR and health equality. The outcomes and the way forward to be presented in a European Forum on SRHR with the broad participation of different stakeholders (policymakers, civil society, academia, health/social/legal professionals).

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

The EU and its MS's are committed for achieving the SRHR indicators of Goals 3 and 5 of the SDG Agenda, including ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health care services by 2030. Therefore, all EU institutions, in cooperation with the civil society, must do their outmost to fulfil their duties by assessing, designing and monitoring policy measures that aim to include the access of SRHR for all as one of the key components of the MS's Women's Rights and Gender Equality policy.

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Draft amendment 6016

=== FEMM/6016 ===

Tabled by João Pimenta Lopes, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, João Ferreira, Miguel Viegas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 17 03 77 30

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
17 03 77 30							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — For the promotion of workplace health, in particular for the prevention of muscular-skeletal disorders

Remarks:

Add following text:

This pilot project intends to promote health in the workplace, which goes through the implementation of an early symptoms recognition system, as an essential strategy for the prevention of musculoskeletal disorders and the implementation of a monitoring and surveillance system.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Almost two thirds of EU workers, mostly women, report being exposed to repetitive movements of the hands and arms, and a quarter to vibrations from tools - significant risks factor for musculoskeletal disorders on the neck and the upper limb, costing billions of euros to employers. Fighting musculoskeletal injuries contributes to improving the lives of workers.

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Draft amendment 6017

=== FEMM/6017 ===

Tabled by João Pimenta Lopes, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, João Ferreira, Miguel Viegas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 17 03 77 31

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
17 03 77 31							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:*Pilot project — Programm and reproductive health services***Remarks:**Add following text:*This program aims to support Member States in areas with lack of public services (rural areas or others) and reproductive health services, including care and essential drugs for family planning and maternal and newborn health in the context of public services.***Legal basis:**Add following text:*Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).***Justification:**

Austerity policies imposed on Member States have resulted in the reduction of public services, particularly in health, through the closure of hospitals, health centers, etc., being the women and children the most vulnerable.

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Draft amendment 6018

==== FEMM/6018 ====

Tabled by Pina Picierno, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION**Add: 17 03 77 32**

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
17 03 77 32							2 000 000	1 000 000	2 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							2 000 000	1 000 000	2 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:*Pilot project — Help desk portal for girls and women experiencing sexual harassment online***Remarks:**Add following text:*This pilot project aims at developing a support network for girls and women, victims of cyberbullying and revenge porn through social networks. The main purpose is to create a European help desk, available exclusively online (a portal), that should offer a first response to girls who have experienced cyberbullying and revenge porn while using social networks. This EU help desk should be also available directly in the social network pages or channels, easy to reach from every location in Europe in order to give the first psychological support to the victims, by means of chat or video calls with professionals, and eventually in the 24 official languages. The help desk should then redirect the victims to, for example, the nearest local family counselling and/or local authorities for more help, when needed in the most serious cases. The idea of the project is to gather professionals already specialised in this kind of support and give them access to this portal/help desk (available also in all main social networks) where victims can reach them in case of need.*

The amount required should sustain the launch and creation of the help desk (personnel network, webpage, structure) and a heavy advertisement campaign of it in the social networks. Part of the financing should also be used to create a database for addresses and contacts of structures already existing in Member States that offer support to girls and women victims of violence, in order for the experts answering online to give an immediate response to the girls and women needing more support.

It should be envisaged a close collaboration with the main social networks (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Whatsapp, Instagram) and legal and police services in order to better reach through an (online) advertisement campaign the women who might need the most this kind of help and to create a system to guarantee anonymity for the victims who wish so while addressing the help desk.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

In recent years the phenomena of cyberbullying and revenge porn have spread widely thank to the anonymity and sense of impunity that social networks provide. Girls and young women daily experience these phenomena, which need to be considered as real sexual harassment even if not happening with physical contact. In fact, girls and women suffer from it, causing them stress and more serious consequences like heavy depression, leading also, in extreme cases, to suicide.

Draft amendment 6019

=== FEMM/6019 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 18 03 52

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
18 03 52							83 710 663	62 246 978	83 710 663	62 246 978
Reserve										
Total							83 710 663	62 246 978	83 710 663	62 246 978

Heading:

Strengthening the protection of asylum seekers against gender-based violence

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to strengthen the rights and improve the situation of women, children, unaccompanied young girls and boys LGBTQI people (based on the UNHCR Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity -SOGI- Guidelines) and to the imperative of preventing gender based violence of asylum seekers.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for

financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management (OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 112).

Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, amending Council Decision 2008/381/EC and repealing Decisions No 573/2007/EC and No 575/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decision 2007/435/EC (OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 168).

Council Decision (EU) 2015/1523 of 14 September 2015 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and of Greece (OJ L 239, 15.9.2015, p. 146).

Council Decision (EU) 2015/1601 of 22 September 2015 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and Greece (OJ L 248, 24.9.2015, p. 80).

Council Decision (EU) 2016/1754 of 29 September 2016 amending Decision (EU) 2015/1601 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and Greece (OJ L 268, 1.10.2016, p. 82).

Reference acts:

Add following text:

Commission Recommendation of 11 January 2016 for a voluntary humanitarian admission scheme with Turkey (C(2015) 9490 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 4 May 2016, establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person (COM(2016) 270 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 13 July 2016, establishing a Union Resettlement Framework and amending Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council (COM(2016) 468 final).

Justification:

According to FRA, asylum seekers and migrants face various forms of violence and harassment across the EU. Such acts are both perpetrated and condoned by state authorities, private individuals, as well as vigilant groups. All refugees and asylum seekers, including women and girls and LGBTQI must be guaranteed safety in the asylum procedure, the reception centers and be respect by the immigration authorities. They should live their lives free from violence and be offered protection.

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Draft amendment 6020

=== FEMM/6020 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 19 02 01 — Response to crisis and emerging crisis

Amend remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
19 02 01	233 718 177	202 000 000	256 810 177	220 000 000	251 810 177	220 000 000			251 810 177	220 000 000
Reserve	20 400 000	8 000 000								
Total	254 118 177	210 000 000	256 810 177	220 000 000	251 810 177	220 000 000			251 810 177	220 000 000

Remarks:

Before paragraph:

Any income from financial contributions from Member complemented by contributions for Union trust funds.

Amend text as follows:

This appropriation is intended to swiftly contribute to stability by providing an effective response to help preserve, establish or re-establish the conditions essential to the proper implementation of the Union’s external policies and actions in accordance with Article 21 of the Treaty on European Union. The technical and financial assistance may be undertaken in response to a situation of urgency, crisis or emerging crisis, a situation posing a threat to democracy, law and order, the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or the security and safety of individuals, *especially women, children and LGBTQI people* in particular those exposed to *sexual- and* gender-based violence in situations of instability, or a situation threatening to escalate into armed conflict or severely destabilise the third country or countries concerned. *The UN Security Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security should be used as a central tool in this context.*

Justification:

The role of women, and the impact of conflict on them, is connected to changes in the nature of conflict. In present-day conflicts, civilians are often made prime targets and women even more so. Gender-based violence, including sexual violence, has increasingly become a weapon of warfare. It is essential that the EU take on the challenge of ensuring the effective protection of women in conflict; conflict prevention must take this into consideration by systematically strengthening the role of women in society, and ensuring their effective participation in public and economic life.

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Draft amendment 6021

=== FEMM/6021 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 19 02 02 — Support to conflict prevention, peace-building and crisis preparedness

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
19 02 02	31 000 000	20 000 000	35 527 000	22 000 000	35 527 000	22 000 000	4 473 000	18 000 000	40 000 000	40 000 000
Reserve	2 677 000									
Total	33 677 000	20 000 000	35 527 000	22 000 000	35 527 000	22 000 000	4 473 000	18 000 000	40 000 000	40 000 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the organisations, and State and civil society actors.

Add following text:

The appropriation is especially intended to be used for measures to increase women’s representation in post-conflict governance, improve government responsiveness to sexual and gender-based violence against women, secure women’s economic and social rights, design reparations for women’s economic empowerment, incorporate gender budgeting in all post-conflict financing arrangements, support women’s rights organisations and place women’s rights and gender equality in the centre of conflict prevention, peace-building and crisis preparedness. The objectives of UN Security Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security should be fully implemented.

Justification:

Women constitute majority of victims of violence, and especially of armed conflict but they are key actors in

conflict prevention and crisis management. Post-conflict peacebuilding processes present major opportunities for advancing women's rights and gender equality. A gender perspective needs to be more effectively operationalised in post-conflict institutions and peacebuilding processes. Therefore, the UN Security Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security should be used as an important tool in this context.

Draft amendment 6022

=== FEMM/6022 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 20 02 77 03

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 02 77 03							750 000	375 000	750 000	375 000
Reserve										
Total							750 000	375 000	750 000	375 000

Heading:

Pilot project — How to implement gender equality in trade policy

Remarks:

Add following text:

The aim of this pilot project is to increase capacity to develop effective measures on how to fully assess, monitor and promote gender equality and women's empowerment in EU trade policy, specifically in EU agreements, Aid for Trade and WTO rules. The European Commission and the European Parliament have concluded that its trade policy can, and should do more to include the values of gender equality and the promotion of women's empowerment. Both the EC and the EP have also acknowledged gaps in European trade policy, such as the need to improve the availability of data for impact assessments, to include a chapter with gender specific provisions in the EU-Chile FTA, and they have indicated that further gender measures are intended in future WTO rules.

This pilot project will develop the capacities of all EU institutions but with a particular emphasis on the EC, to more fully assess, design and monitor measures that aim to include gender equality and the promotion of women's empowerment into EU trade policy.

The project will focus on:

How to improve ex-ante and ex-post impact assessments, including improving data collection

An effective design of a gender chapter in EU trade agreements, including developing the appropriate monitoring and implementation mechanisms

Best practices and pitfalls in promoting women's economic and revenue generating activities through trade policy, specifically focusing on female farmers and women as informal workers

How the Core Labour Standards and Conventions in trade agreements can be implemented to have a noticeable positive impact on working conditions for women in the EU and in non-EU countries

Building knowledge on an effective inclusion of gender equality indicators in Aid for Trade programmes and in upcoming negotiations on new and ongoing agenda's at the WTO, following up on the recently adopted declaration on women's economic empowerment

The lessons learned from EU's Generalised Scheme of Preferences (GSP) and GSP+ systems that promote the implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, Convention No 111 concerning Discrimination in Respect of Employment and Occupation, and

Convention No 100 concerning Equal Remuneration for Men and Women Workers for Work of Equal Value

Methodology: capacities will be built, or enhanced, through workshops lead by experts, bringing together expertise from different sectors within the EU and partner countries. Experts will derive from women's rights associations, academia, multilateral institutions, and the public and private sector, as well as trade associations and unions. Toolkits, briefing papers and audiovisuals will be used for knowledge sharing. Gender-sensitive/responsive guidance notes on how to monitor trade policy, especially during trade negotiations, will also be produced.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Gender equality is one of the central values of the EU, stated in Art 8 of the TFEU and in the EU gender Equality Policy GAP II. The inclusion of gender specific provisions in trade agreements is in its beginning stages. There is a need to develop effective measures on how this new initiative will fully assess, monitor and promote gender equality in EU trade agreements as well as multilateral negotiations. This would lead to gender equality, but also sustainable, inclusive and equitable growth.

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Draft amendment 6023

=== FEMM/6023 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 21 02 01 — Cooperation with Latin America

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 02 01	348 496 260	233 097 181	360 928 415	267 589 959	352 928 415	267 589 959	47 071 585	132 410 041	400 000 000	400 000 000
Reserve										
Total	348 496 260	233 097 181	360 928 415	267 589 959	352 928 415	267 589 959	47 071 585	132 410 041	400 000 000	400 000 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

The Commission must continue to report annually on territories and regions in Latin America in order to:

Amend text as follows:

- contribute to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the region,
- support trade union, non-governmental organisations and local initiatives to monitor the impact to the investments on the national economy, particularly respect for labour, environmental, social and human rights standards,
- support gender equality, through supporting actions to combat harmful traditional practices such as child marriage, and women empowerment,

- *promoting and investing in civil society organisations, in particular women's rights organisations and family planning. With the aim to support women's and girl's rights to sexual and reproductive health and rights services and by decriminalising abortion,*
- foster the development of civil society,
- combat poverty and social exclusion and promote social cohesion,
- contribute to improve social standards with focus on education, including education and vocational training for employment, and health, and to the improvement of social protection schemes,
- promote a more favourable climate for economic expansion and enhanced productive sector, encourage the transfer of know-how, promote contact and collaboration between business players bi-regionally,
- promote private sector development, incl. a SME-friendly business climate via i.e. legal property rights, reducing unnecessary administrative burden, improving access to credit, improving associations of small and medium-sized enterprises,
- support efforts towards food security and combat malnutrition,
- support regional integration; in Central America, foster the region's development via enhanced benefits derived from the EU-Central America association agreement,
- promote the sustainable use of natural resources, including water, and the combating of climate change (mitigation and adaptation),
- support efforts for improving good governance and help consolidate democracy, human rights and the rule of law,
- promote policy reform particularly in the area of justice and security and support related actions to enhance development of countries and regions.

Justification:

Several Latin American countries have some of the most restrictive reproductive health laws and policies in the world, particularly with regard to abortion. Reproductive freedom is not recognised as a fundamental human right. However, imposing legal restrictions on abortion does not reduce the likelihood that women will seek this reproductive health service. Instead, harsh laws force women to risk their lives and health by seeking out unsafe abortions. Therefore, this budget line must invest in measures for decriminalising abortion and bringing down the maternal deaths.

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Draft amendment 6025

=== FEMM/6025 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 21 02 07 03 — Human development

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 02 07 03	205 874 058	179 400 000	205 589 346	217 000 000	205 589 346	217 000 000	111 410 654	100 000 000	317 000 000	317 000 000
Reserve										
Total	205 874 058	179 400 000	205 589 346	217 000 000	205 589 346	217 000 000	111 410 654	100 000 000	317 000 000	317 000 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

This appropriation is intended to provide financial sections of the populations in the countries it

covers.

Amend text as follows:

An effort to compensate for the financing gap caused by the US after its reinstatement and expansion of its ‘Mexico City Policy’, also known as the ‘global gag rule’, the The health component will support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages), namely universal access to good quality essential health services, child and maternal health, sexual and reproductive health and rights, *including safe and legal abortions*, access to family planning, eradicating polio, protection against and treatment of HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other poverty-related and neglected diseases, and access to psychological support for victims of violence.

After paragraph:

In relation to gender equality, programmes to promote selection practices will also be among the objectives.

Amend text as follows:

The appropriation can also be used for activities in support of children and youth, especially those to ensure full enjoyment of rights and to empower youth more generally, focusing on young girls in particular; health and education; *(including comprehensive sexuality education)*; non-discrimination; employment, skills, social protection and social inclusion; growth, jobs and private sector engagement and culture.

Justification:

Sustainable Development Goal 5 emphasises women’s rights and gender equality in the world. Access to quality health care, including SRHR services are paramount for women’s and girls’ empowerment. It is therefore important to counteract the negative impacts of the Trump administration’s Global Gag Rule by providing sufficient funding and measures to governments and civil society organisations in order to oppose this attack on access to critical health services women need to survive no matter where they live.

Draft amendment 6024 === FEMM/6024 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 21 02 07 06

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 02 07 06							200 000 000	200 000 000	200 000 000	200 000 000
Reserve										
Total							200 000 000	200 000 000	200 000 000	200 000 000

Heading:

Investing in women’s sexual and reproductive health and rights globally

Remarks:

Add following text:

*This appropriation is intended to globally support and promote sexual and reproductive health and rights.
The main objectives:*

- compensating for the financing gap caused by the US after its reinstatement and expansion of its ‘Mexico City Policy’, also known as the ‘global gag rule’,*
- promoting Sustainable Development Goals 3.7 and 5.7—by 2030 ensuring universal access to sexual*

and reproductive healthcare services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into all development policy strategies and programmes,

-supporting all actors, including civil society organisations and state actors e.g. health departments in this field.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EU) No 233/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation for the period 2014-2020 (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 44).

Justification:

The Global Gag Rule is an inhumane policy that will undermine women's rights and preventing us from reaching the SDG's 3.7 and 5.6. The EU and its MS must fill this financing gap and be increasingly proactive in supporting and strengthening civil society organisations in this field.

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Draft amendment 6026 === FEMM/6026 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 21 02 08 01 — Civil society in development

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 02 08 01	205 954 810	150 800 000	219 626 756	175 700 000	219 626 756	175 700 000	80 373 244	124 300 000	300 000 000	300 000 000
Reserve										
Total	205 954 810	150 800 000	219 626 756	175 700 000	219 626 756	175 700 000	80 373 244	124 300 000	300 000 000	300 000 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

This appropriation is intended to cover support for civil society organisations, so as to contribute to:

Amend text as follows:

- an inclusive and empowered society, including from a gender equality perspective, in partner countries through strengthened civil society organisations,
- an increased capacity of European and southern civil society networks, platforms and alliances to ensure a substantive and continued policy dialogue in the field of development and to promote democratic governance and empowerment of women, *especially through implementing gender budgeting in all policy areas,*
- an increased level of awareness of Union citizens regarding development issues and mobilising active public support for poverty reduction and sustainable development strategies in partner countries.

After paragraph:

Possible activities to be supported by this programme:

Amend text as follows:

- interventions in partner countries which support vulnerable and marginalised groups by providing basic services delivered through civil society organisations, *including providing comprehensive sexuality*

education and sexual and reproductive health care services, enabling the NGO's to provide information, services for legal abortion and to advocate for safe and legal abortion care in their country:

- capacity development of the targeted actors complementary to support granted in the framework of the national programme, actions aiming at:
 - creating enabling environment for citizen participation and civil society action and the capacity of civil society organisations to participate effectively in policy formulation and in the monitoring of policy implementation processes,
 - facilitating an improved dialogue and better interaction between civil society organisations, local authorities, the State and other development actors in the context of development,
- coordination, capacity development and institutional strengthening of civil society networks, within their organisations and between different types of stakeholders active in the European public debate on development as well as coordination, capacity development and institutional strengthening of southern networks of civil society organisations and umbrella organisations,
- raising public awareness of development issues, empowering people to become active and responsible citizens and promoting formal and informal education for development in the Union and in candidate countries and potential candidates, to anchor development policy in European societies, to mobilise greater public support for action against poverty and for more equitable relations between developed and developing countries, to raise awareness of the issues and difficulties facing developing countries and their peoples, and to promote the right to a process of development in which all human rights and fundamental freedoms can be fully realised and the social dimension of globalisation.
- *to intervene and counter the impact of the global gag rule by significantly increasing financing for sexual and reproductive health and rights organisations, in particular funding explicitly destined to ensure access to birth control and safe and legal abortion, using both national as well as EU development funding, in order to fill the financing gap left after the Trump administration's moves to cease funding for development aid organisations that provide sexual and reproductive health and rights services,*

Justification:

A clear gender equality perspective, including the use of gender budgeting as an important tool to achieve the sustainable development goals are paramount for an inclusive and empowered society. The Global Gag Rule is an inhumane policy that will undermine women's rights and preventing us from reaching the SDG's. The EU and its MS must fill this financing gap and be increasingly proactive in supporting and strengthening civil society organisations in this field.

Draft amendment 6027

=== FEMM/6027 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 33 02 01 — Ensuring the protection of rights and empowering citizens

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 01	26 451 000	18 700 000	27 509 000	24 000 000	26 764 000	23 741 000	13 236 000	16 259 000	40 000 000	40 000 000
Reserve					345 000	259 000			345 000	259 000
Total	26 451 000	18 700 000	27 509 000	24 000 000	27 109 000	24 000 000	13 236 000	16 259 000	40 345 000	40 259 000

Remarks:

Before paragraph:

The objective of the Rights, equality and citizenship learning, cooperation and awareness raising activities.

Amend text as follows:

This appropriation is intended to: help prevent and combat all forms of violence against children, young people and women, and **gender-based** violence against other **groups, including LGBTBI people**, groups at risk of domestic violence and protect victims of such acts (one of the goals of the Daphne programme); ***promote the ratification of the Istanbul Convention by those EU Member States that have not yet ratified it; earmark and increase the financing for women's shelters in the EU, enhancing protection of the rights of women and girls and combating all forms of violence by a systematic follow up on the European survey on gender-based violence, in line with article 11 in the Istanbul Convention; This appropriation is also covering actions to counteract the shrinking space for women's rights organisation around Europe, to enable and enhance political space and an open environment for a full participation and collaboration of the civil society. This means that civil society has to be consulted as an important actor on policies processes, programmes and funding that impact their work, while considering the diversity of the sector, to promote gender equality and women's and girl's empowerment in their civil society engagement including through internal capacity development and consistent monitoring,*** promote and protect the rights of the child; promote and ensure the social and labour rights of workers; ensure the highest level of protection of privacy and personal data, including at international level; promote and enhance the exercise of the rights that the Union confers on its citizens; and allow individuals, as consumers or entrepreneurs in the internal market, to exercise the rights that the Union gives them, taking into account the projects financed by the Consumer programme.

After paragraph:

In particular, this appropriation is intended to cover the following types of action:

Amend text as follows:

- analytical activities, such as the collection of data and statistics, ~~where appropriate~~ disaggregated by gender; the development of common methodologies and, where appropriate, indicators or benchmarks; studies, research, analyses and surveys; evaluations; the elaboration and publication of guides, reports and educational material; workshops, seminars, experts' meetings and conferences,
- training activities such as staff exchanges, workshops, seminars, train-the-trainer events and the development of online training tools or other training modules,
- mutual learning, cooperation, awareness-raising and dissemination activities, such as the identification of, and exchanges concerning, good practices, innovative approaches and experiences; the organisation of peer reviews and mutual learning; the organisation of conferences, seminars, media campaigns, including in the online media, information campaigns, including institutional communication on the political priorities of the Union insofar as they relate to the objectives of the 'Rights, equality and citizenship' programme (the 'Programme'); the compilation and publication of materials to disseminate information about the Programme and its results; the development, operation and maintenance of systems and tools using information and communication technologies,
- support for main actors whose activities contribute to the implementation of the objectives of the Programme, such as support for **NGOs, especially women's rights organisations**, NGOs in the implementation of actions with European added value, support for key Union actors, Union-level networks and harmonised services of social value; support for Member States in the implementation of Union law and policies; and support for networking activities at Union level among specialised bodies and entities as well as national, regional and local authorities and NGOs, including support by way of action grants or operating grants.

Justification:

The amendment focus on the implementation of the Istanbul Convention, including the carrying out of a systematic EU survey on gender-based violence. Additionally, those 9 member states that have not ratified the convention should do so immediately. One in three women in the EU has been a victim of physical and/or sexual violence since the age of 15, over half of women have experienced sexual harassment and one in 20 has been raped. The shrinking space of women’s rights organisations should firmly be countered.

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Draft amendment 6028

==== FEMM/6028 ===

Tabled by João Pimenta Lopes, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, João Ferreira, Miguel Viegas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 33 02 02 — Promoting non-discrimination and equality

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 02	35 831 000	25 100 000	37 262 000	33 000 000	36 462 000	33 000 000	10 935 264	7 019 100	47 397 264	40 019 100
Reserve										
Total	35 831 000	25 100 000	37 262 000	33 000 000	36 462 000	33 000 000	10 935 264	7 019 100	47 397 264	40 019 100

Justification:

The social consequences of the 2008 crisis in Europe which have led to increased inequalities still persist particularly in income. For this reason, it is essential to increase the amounts in order to contribute to the reduction of inequalities, to ensure more rights to families and working mothers. It is urgent to create conditions to promote a higher birth rate, defend the right to reconcile work and family life and to fight wage inequalities.

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Draft amendment 6031

==== FEMM/6031 ===

Tabled by João Pimenta Lopes, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, João Ferreira, Miguel Viegas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 33 02 07 — European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 07	7 613 673	7 613 673	7 809 317	7 809 317	7 759 317	7 759 317	2 777 795	2 777 795	10 537 112	10 537 112
Reserve										
Total	7 613 673	7 613 673	7 809 317	7 809 317	7 759 317	7 759 317	2 777 795	2 777 795	10 537 112	10 537 112

Justification:

The European Institute for Gender Equality intends to help European institutions and the Members States to incorporate the principle of equality in their policies and the fight against discrimination based on sex, through the provision of updated studies, seeking to contribute to achieve true gender equality. Given the increase in inequality occurred in recent years, it urges to equip the EIGE of financial resources so that it can fully meet the objective for which it was created.

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Draft amendment 6029

=== FEMM/6029 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 52

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 52							25 000 000	23 000 000	25 000 000	23 000 000
Reserve										
Total							25 000 000	23 000 000	25 000 000	23 000 000

Heading:

Preventing and combating all forms of violence against children, young people, women and gender-based violence

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to prevent and combat all forms of violence against children, young people and women, and gender-based violence against other groups, including LGBTIQ people; promote the ratification of the Istanbul Convention by those EU Member States that have not yet ratified it; earmark and increase the financing for women's shelters in the EU, enhancing protection of the rights of women and girls and combating all forms of violence by a systematic follow up on the European survey on gender-based violence, in line with article 11 in the Istanbul Convention.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EU) No 1381/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a 'Rights, equality and citizenship' programme for the period 2014 to 2020 (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 62), and in particular point (e) of Article 4(1) and Article 5(1) thereof.

Justification:

1 in 3 women in the EU has been a victim of physical and/or sexual violence since the age of 15, over half of women have experienced sexual harassment and one in 20 has been raped. The EU needs to increase its efforts to combat this violation of fundamental rights. This amendment is intended, on the one hand, to provide adequate funding, reversing the cuts that this programme has experimented in the last few years and additionally at ensuring transparency in the budget allocations by reserving a specific budget line to this goal as required for a proper implementation of gender mainstreaming.

Draft amendment 6030

=== FEMM/6030 ===

Tabled by Monika Vana, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 53

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 53							15 000 000	13 000 000	15 000 000	13 000 000
Reserve										
Total							15 000 000	13 000 000	15 000 000	13 000 000

Heading:*Promoting gender equality and advancing gender mainstreaming***Remarks:**Add following text:*This appropriation is intended to implement the specific objective 4 under the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme, namely, to promote gender equality and to advance gender mainstreaming.***Legal basis:**Add following text:*Regulation (EU) No 1381/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a 'Rights, equality and citizenship' programme for the period 2014 to 2020 (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 62), and in particular point (d) of Article 4(1) and Article 5(1) thereof.***Justification:**

Article 8 TFEU lays down the principle of gender mainstreaming in all EU activities. A proper implementation of gender mainstreaming requires transparency in the budget allocations dedicated to promote gender equality and combat gender discrimination. The objective of this amendment is to establish a specific budget line for the gender equality objective under the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme and grant adequate funding to ensure its implementation.

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Draft amendment 6032

==== FEMM/6032 ====

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION**Add: 33 02 77 17**

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 17							1 000 000	500 000	1 000 000	500 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	500 000	1 000 000	500 000

Heading:*Pilot project — Developing a roadmap towards the improvement of access to services and support for migrant and undocumented migrant women, in particular victims of violence in line with the provisions of the Istanbul Convention***Remarks:**Add following text:*The objective of this Pilot Project is to establish a roadmap towards ensuring migrant women and undocumented migrant women's unhindered access to justice systems, education, employment, housing and health care, without discrimination by:**a, launching a pilot research team who looks into how the different Member States guarantee migrants women's right to safety, how resources are allocated to provide specialist services when migrant women experience gender based violence or immigration issues, (in line with the Istanbul convention art 4: The Convention must be implemented without discrimination on any ground, including migrant or refugee status, and art 59: Women whose residence status depends on that of a spouse or partners should have access to autonomous residence permit and suspension of deportation proceedings initiated in relation to*

spouse-dependent visa status. A mapping of existing research and data collection tools at national level,

b, to work on the establishment of an to monitor the safety that is provided by the Member States to migrant women in correlation to/in comparison to their commitments to different international conventions e.g. the Istanbul convention and CEDAW. A set of recommendations for each Member State on the necessary improvements to be implemented,

c, a multi-level awareness and dialogue campaign on the rights of migrant women, focusing on the specific situation of this group in question as well as the benefits of a human rights based society, targeting the general public, the different professionals while also informing women in vulnerable/disadvantaged groups of their rights,

d, a representative and inclusive strategy for the way forward: ensuring that policy is created in an inclusive way, through a broad participatory engagement of stakeholders (public, policymakers, Ngo's), women's rights and migrant rights organisations in particular, through campaigns, toolkit of materials and events for the recommendations of the final roadmap.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

This pilot project will develop a roadmap towards the improvement of access to services and support for migrant and undocumented migrant women, in particular victims of violence and the implementation of the key provisions of the Istanbul convention and the increased commitment of the Member States to incorporate them into their national law.

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Draft amendment 6033

=== FEMM/6033 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 77 18

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 18							400 000	200 000	400 000	200 000
Reserve										
Total							400 000	200 000	400 000	200 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Supporting Gender Equality Studies

Remarks:

Add following text:

This project would serve to support the gender studies departments of universities throughout the EU through regular exchanges of best practice and experience. This could involve exchanges around the gender studies curricula and course syllabi, teaching methodologies and manuals. It would include expert events such as for example, hearings on problems and state of the teaching gender studies in the EU and book launches of female authors on gender issues in Member States making women academics visible.

Considering the existence of several networks of gender studies (Gexcell, Atgender, Network of Gender Professionals), events and supporting actions for existing European networks can be also organised.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Gender equality studies and gender experts are currently experiencing difficulties which in some MS's go beyond those of the shortage of resources. These studies can be a target for misrepresentation in media and even receive disparaging comments from the representatives of the governments, politicizing the term "gender". This is the opportune moment to target political level at EU and national level, to make these studies and the professionals more visible and to bring it closer to the public.

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Draft amendment 6034

=== FEMM/6034 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 77 19

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 19							1 000 000	500 000	1 000 000	500 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	500 000	1 000 000	500 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Measuring EU's support for gender equality through external action

Remarks:

Add following text:

The EU, in line with the commitments enshrined in the GAP II, should increase its funding for women and girls and, in particular, increase funding channeled through grass-root women's rights organisations. In order to do this, there is a need to have a clear picture of the situation under the current Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF) and a comprehensive and comparative analysis of such data year on year. This should also inform negotiations for the next MFF which have already started. For this reason, the EU could commission a study to:

- 1) Collect available data on funding allocations for gender equality through External Funding Instruments and its beneficiaries from 2015 to date (whether they are national mechanisms for gender equality, UN bodies, INGOs, grass-root women's organisations);*
- 2) Identify and analyse weaknesses in the methodology and use of the Gender Marker;*
- 3) Develop and alternative tool or adjust the current one to track funding for gender equality in a transparent and effective manner, including on beneficiaries and on different areas (gender equality, women's empowerment, health, sexual and reproductive rights, the impact of the reinstatement and expansion of the US 'global gag rule' and how the other actors, including the EU can fill the financing gap, women peace and security, sexual and gender based violence and so forth).*

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

The EU, in line with the commitments enshrined in the GAP II, should increase its funding for women and girls and, in particular, increase funding channeled through grass-root women's rights organisations. In order to do this, there is a need to have a clear picture of the situation under the current Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF) and a comprehensive and comparative analysis of such data by measuring EU's support for gender equality through external action on yearly basis.

Draft amendment 6035

=== FEMM/6035 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 77 20

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 20							400 000	200 000	400 000	200 000
Reserve										
Total							400 000	200 000	400 000	200 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Assessing the gender impact of the next MFF to enable greater gender responsiveness

Remarks:

Add following text:

In 2019 as negotiations on the next Multi-Annual Financial Framework (MFF) will be advancing, it is critical that a gender impact assessment is conducted to measure the impact the future EU budget will have on gender inequalities. Following the identification by all EU institutions of gender budgeting as a critical need to achieve gender equality, general tools have been made available on how the EU could conduct gender budgeting (e.g guide to gender budgeting produced in 2016 by the European Institute for Gender Equality). However, an actual gender budgeting exercise of an upcoming (or current) framework has never been conducted at this scale by the EU. A comprehensive impact assessment is a critical step for the implementation of a gender budgeting approach and must be conducted at the outset of the future MFF.

This gender impact assessment will:

- Identify the gender- and age-disaggregated data needed and, if relevant, gaps in the presence of this data.*
- Analyse means of equal participation and the norms and values behind the MFF, including an ex post evaluation.*
- Identify how the distribution of resources is foreseen in the MFF. This assessment should also take into account the structure of the European Commission and the way it will impact the distribution of resources.*

This assessment will thus help the EU institutions into adopting policies that actively contribute to reducing inequalities and that avoid indirectly maintaining and/or increasing them, as well as allow for the identification of "missing links" which will help in maximizing the impact of gender mainstreaming and targeted actions in future EU policies.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

The Joint Declaration on gender mainstreaming attached to the 2014-2020 MFF stated that "the annual budgetary procedures applied [...] will integrate as appropriate gender-responsive elements". However, the EP assessed in 2017 that "tools such as [...] gender indicators, impact assessment and budgeting are very rarely used". Therefore, assessing the gender impact of the next MFF will make it possible to identify how to develop targeted actions for increased gender equality policies in the future.

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Draft amendment 6036

=== FEMM/6036 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 77 21

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 21							500 000	250 000	500 000	250 000
Reserve										
Total							500 000	250 000	500 000	250 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Tools for making intersectionality in policy-making a reality

Remarks:

Add following text:

Analyses of gender equality policies demonstrate the specific situations of women in a number of situations from the perspective of race, religion, sexual orientation and gender identity, social class, disability and immigration status. In Europe today there is little data on the specific experiences of those at the intersection of different discrimination and oppression.

Objectives of the project

- 1. Undertake an intersectionality review of existing gender equality policies in Member States and at EU level, to highlight gaps in addressing intersectional discrimination*
- 2. Produce tools and resources for policy-makers and NGOs to operationalise intersectionality in policy-making with a specific focus on ethnic and religious minority women*
- 3. Support regular promising practices exchanges in this area*

Key actions

- a. Commission a research on existing gender equality policies, analysing the extent to which policies*

address intersectional discrimination and specific situations of a diversity of women (EU level and identified countries).

b. Produce an indicators’ framework on process and content to support policy makers to adopt an intersectional approach to policies and to support NGOs to advocate for more comprehensive policies

c. Organise trainings for policy makers on how to use the indicators’ framework.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

The pilot project aims on the one hand to analyse existing gender equality policies and secondly produce tools and guidance on ways to make an intersectional approach a reality in policy making. There is a need to formulate effective policies that have a positive impact on different groups of women, leaving no one behind. The project will take a broad approach, including different discrimination grounds, but will have an extra focus on women of colour and ethnic minority women.

Draft amendment 6037 === FEMM/6037 ===

Tabled by Malin Björk, rapporteur, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, Tania González Peñas

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 77 22

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 22							1 000 000	500 000	1 000 000	500 000
Reserve										
Total							1 000 000	500 000	1 000 000	500 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Development of statistical indicators for the study of femicide

Remarks:

Add following text:

Femicide, or the murder of women because they are women, is not an urgent priority in the public policy agenda of many states, even though this is the primary cause of death of women between the ages of 15 and 44 in the world. Many State members do not have statistics in their states and these murdered women are not included in the official statistics. In a 2011 study on Femicide as a global problem, experts highlighted the lack of data available and the lack of harmonised indexes to count the women victims of femicide. There are no reliable statistics or research that can deeply probe the different forms of extreme violence women face. Some civil society organisations have prepared their own census of these cases and create a set of typologies to categorize femicides and other murders of women but they need to rely on non official data to make their research complete.

The objective of this Pilot project is to test and develop statistical index to analysis the feminicides in the European Union with three measures:

- a) on the one hand by launching a pilot research team to work on the establishment of harmonised index to be used as official statistics for feminicides,
- b) on the other hand by creating a program of training of trainers where the statistics national services staff are trained in this new way of indexing and counting feminicides,
- c) and creating online tools that include databases with geographic referencing system to facilitate the documentation of femicide cases by regions or states using official numbers, which is not the case nowadays.

The tools would process the information, creates statistics and presents graphics and reports with all types of femicides and murders of women. These three actions will be included in the same pilot project as a sequence of measures to improve de database and data compilation of feminicides in the EU using the same index, including the cases in the official statistics and training the experts in statistic on this new field of study.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

Femicide, or the murder of women because they are women, should an urgent priority in the public policy agenda, as it is the primary cause of death of women between the ages of 15 and 44 in the world. Many Member states do not have official or harmonized statistics, following a 2011 study on Femicide, to count properly the women victims of femicide. Nor official or reliable enough statistics at EU level to fight against it has been developed so far.

Draft amendment 6038

=== FEMM/6038 ===

Tabled by Pina Picierno, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 33 02 77 23

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 02 77 23							2 000 000	1 000 000	2 000 000	1 000 000
Reserve										
Total							2 000 000	1 000 000	2 000 000	1 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — EU Gender Equality Monitoring and Women Expert Database Scheme

Remarks:

Add following text:

Project's objective is to build up an online monitoring network across the EU, in form of a database platform, which would help to address gender equality, ensure awareness-raising (including for industry and policy decision-makers) but also contributing to the monitoring of gender-equality on public panels, media outlets and ensuring the increase of participation and access of women to expression- and decision making in and through the media and new technologies by providing a tool for balanced gender portrayal

and representation, as well as to promote a balanced and non-stereotyped portrayal of women on panels and in the media. The women expert database had already a test phase in Brussels, Belgium, which did not receive any EU funding. It was launched last in the first quarter of 2018 and because of its success there is the need for an building up on an EU wide database scheme and regarding to the diversity of the member states.

Rationale:

- 1. The project aims at improving EU wide the participation and access of women to expression and decision making, through presence and representation at policy panels and in media as a first step, which can help improve measures and assess progress in implementing EU policies and legislation such as The Charter of the Fundamental Rights of the European Union (2000/ C 364/01). Besides providing a tool for gender mainstreaming in the public sphere it would also contribute to one of the five areas of action of The European Commission's Women Charter, which states the representation of women in decision-making and position of power.*
- 2. Such platforms are needed for monitoring and stimulating progress towards a more gender balanced representation of women in the public sphere and for equality in decision-making, as one of the key priorities stated by the European Commission in their Action Plan to tackle the gender pay gap for 2018-2019, as it targets to improve the gender balance in the public debate.*
- 3. This coherent project enables the development of a system for collecting and recording validated data of gender imbalance and of women policy experts, in such a way as it allows the effective and regular updating of the database platform. This would be a significant improvement on the current approach, which does not provide such a EU wide monitoring and registration network and database.*
- 4. The project would enable new monitoring scheme, to bet set up in Member States, who are without schemes at present and build up capacity in promoting gender equality. This involves inter alia finding citizen volunteers, training them, giving them some support on research and monitoring methods. Ensuring validation and quality control can be achieved effectively in such Member States through support for part time competent coordinators for knowledge transfer.*
- 5. As a result of this project we will have a comprehensive database platform of women policy and media expert and can provide a valuable resource for policy-makers, industry decision-makers, media organizations and other public bodies.*

Main tasks of the project:

Objective 1

Support a unified, high quality database platform on gender balance and on female policy and media experts.

Expected results

A unified database of validates female policy experts and a standardized information technology tool to measure the gender balance on public panels, conferences, which would directly contribute to the objective of improving the representation of women in decision-making and European policy-making.

Objective 2

Support and develop a unified, sustainable and cost-effective European monitoring network based on trained volunteers, supported by new coordinators, together with local access to the online data registration system

Expected results

-Volunteer-based and expertly directed gender-equality monitoring scheme in EU countries, reporting high quality of data to the central data base

-Increases opportunities for young people to become involved in European level projects of practical value and policy importance, raises gender- awareness, increases their skills and employability

and sensitizes for gender imbalances or gender biases

Activities

- Ensure existing gender-equality monitoring schemes that contribute data to central database platform*
- Support further development and improve the quality and sustainability of some existing scheme across the EU*
- Work with key stakeholders, where appropriate, to help set up new monitoring and registration schemes across the EU*
- Provide training, essential translation and facilitate learning among volunteers, as well as among stakeholders*
- Provide feedback to volunteers and coordinators in form of annual newsletters, biennial meetings to coordinate effort, share best practices and support long-term volunteer engagement*

Objective 3

Produce policy relevant data about gender-equality and disseminate findings to policy makers, industry decision-makers, media organizations and the public

Activities

- Disseminate results to relevant stakeholders*
- Work with stakeholders from institutions, industry together to support their approaches on corporate responsibility, diversity management and gender equality strategies*
- Disseminate the result more widely to the public via website and social media*

Objective 4

Project Management/ Administration / Operation

Expected results

Smooth running of project; timely delivery of above components within budget; annual progress reports; annual financial reports and overall evaluation of impacts.

Activities

- Manage the project to ensure delivery of the above and produce annual progress reports.*
- Establish contracts to deliver the above components.*
- Administer finances for the project soundly and publish annual financial reports.*
- Produce annual progress reports and evaluate impacts.*
- Generate a sustainable database, with a volunteer network across the EU that will become a regularly used tool for business, industry, public institutions and politics.*
- Ensure the financial stability by providing media and presentation trainings for women, providing online support for women experts, the commercial sponsoring of the web page.*
- Securing funding by becoming system immanent and generate visibility through a highly used gender-equality tool.*

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298,

26.10.2012, p. 1).

Justification:

The project aims to further develop a EU Gender Equality Monitoring and Women Expert Database Scheme which can help improve gender equality imbalances, the portrayal of women in media and on policy panels & assess in implementing EU policies and legislation on the priority of gender-equality and gender mainstream. The database platform would provide a monitoring tool for the measurement of gender balance on panels and a validated database of EU wide women policy and media experts.

Draft amendment 6039

=== FEMM/6039 ===

Tabled by Pina Picierno, Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 33 03 01 — Supporting and promoting judicial training and facilitating effective access to justice for all

Amend remarks as follows:

	Budget 2018		Draft budget 2019		Council's position 2019		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 03 01	31 200 000	22 000 000	29 200 000	24 500 000	29 200 000	24 500 000			29 200 000	24 500 000
Reserve										
Total	31 200 000	22 000 000	29 200 000	24 500 000	29 200 000	24 500 000			29 200 000	24 500 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

In particular, this appropriation is intended to cover the following types of actions:

Amend text as follows:

- analytical activities, such as the collection of data and statistics, where appropriate disaggregated by gender, the development of common methodologies and, where appropriate, indicators or benchmarks; studies, research, analyses and surveys; evaluations; the elaboration and publication of guides, reports and educational material; workshops, seminars, experts' meetings and conferences,
- training activities including a gender-sensitive perspective, such as staff exchanges, workshops, seminars, train-the-trainer events, including language training on legal terminology, and the development of online training tools or other training modules for members of the judiciary and judicial staff, ***particular efforts should be put on trainings for staff dealing with cases of gender-based violence***,
- mutual learning, cooperation, awareness-raising and dissemination activities, such as the identification of, and exchanges concerning, good practices, innovative approaches and experiences; the organisation of peer reviews and mutual learning; the organisation of conferences, seminars, information campaigns, including institutional communication on the political priorities of the Union insofar as they relate to the objectives of the Justice programme (the 'Programme'); the compilation and publication of materials to disseminate information about the Programme and its results; the development, operation and maintenance of systems and tools, using information and communication technologies, including the further development of the European e-Justice portal as a tool to improve citizens' access to justice,
- support for main actors whose activities contribute to the implementation of the objectives of the Programme, such as support for Member States in the implementation of Union law and policies, support for key Union actors and Union-level networks, including in the field of judicial training; and support for networking activities at Union level among specialised bodies and entities as well as national, regional and local authorities and non-governmental organisations.

Justification:

Gender-based violence is a crime where often victims are victimised a second time when they denounce these acts. Particular efforts should be then put on training staff in order to better help and defend the victim of a violence based on gender at the moment when they report this to the authority.