

Directorate-General for Internal Policies of the Union
Directorate for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs
Secretariat of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting¹
International Women's Day 2019

**“WOMEN'S POWER
in Politics”**

Thursday, 7 March 2019, from 9.00 to 12.30
European Parliament in Brussels, room JAN 4Q2

DRAFT PROGRAMME

09.00 - 10.00 Opening

Chaired by

Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Chair of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Opening speech by

Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Vice-President, Chair of the High-level Group on Gender Equality and Diversity

Keynote speech by

H.E. Madam Kolinda Grabar-Kitarović, President of the Republic of Croatia

Welcome speech by

Věra Jourová, European Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality

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Women's presence in politics nowadays

Presentation by Virginija Langbakk, Director, European Institute for Gender Equality

10.00 - 11.10 "Real power of women in politics and how to boost it"

Moderator: MEP Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Member of FEMM Committee

Presentation by Dr Henryka Bochniarz, President of Polish Confederation Lewiatan, Vice-President of BusinessEurope, Founder of the Congress of Women (Poland)

Presentation by Dr Meryl Kenny, Senior Lecturer in Gender and Politics, University of Edinburgh

Debate with participation of the Members of national Parliaments

Closing remarks: MEP Angelika Mlinar, Member of FEMM Committee

11.10 - 12.15 "Young women in politics"

Moderator: MEP Iratxe García Pérez, Member of FEMM Committee

Presentation by Inês Zuber, Member of the National Council of MDM (Democratic Movement of Women, Portugal) and former vice-chair of FEMM Committee

Presentation by Karima Zahi, Campaign Manager, equal.brussels - Brussels Capital Regional Public Service

Debate with participation of the Members of national Parliaments

Closing remarks: MEP Terry Reintke, Member of FEMM Committee - TBC

12:15 - 12.30 Closing remarks

Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the Commission

João PIMENTA LOPES, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality
