

Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting¹
International Women's Day 2021

We are strong: Women leading the fight against Covid-19

Thursday, 4 March 2021, from 9.00 to 12.00
European Parliament in Brussels, room PHS 3C050 and online participation

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Welcoming words by

Evelyn Regner, Chair of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Opening speeches by

David Sassoli, President of the European Parliament

Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission

Keynote speeches by

Ekaterini Sakelaropoulou, President of Greece

Madeleine Albright, politician, diplomat, author, 64th Secretary of State of the United States (tbc)

Panel discussion: *"Women on the frontlines: lessons learnt from the crisis management"*

Moderator: Frances Fitzgerald, Member of the of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

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Panellists:

- **Khadija Arib**, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Netherlands
- **Isabelle Loeb**, medical director at CHU St Pierre, Brussels
- **Kristel Krustuuk**, Founder and Chief Testing Officer, Testlio
- **Carlien Scheele**, Director of the European Institute for Gender Equality
- **Concha Andreu**, Rapporteur of the European Committee of the Regions on the Gender Equality Strategy

Debate with the participation of the Members of National Parliaments

Closing words by

Helena Dalli, European Commissioner for Equality

Evelyn Regner, Chair of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality