



## CONFERENCE AGENDA

"Implementation of the Council of Europe Convention on Violence against Women:  
Support and Empowerment of Women – Whose Responsibility?"

Belgrade, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia, Kralja Milana Street 14

- 9:00 – 9:30 Registration
- 9:30 – 9:45 Opening remarks  
**Ms Slobodanka Macanović**, Autonomous Women's Center  
**Ms Tanja Ignjatović**, Autonomous Women's Center
- 9:45 – 11:00 **Introductory speeches** – international agreements on protection of women from violence and state obligations – questions and answers  
  
**Ms Dubravka Šimonović**, UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, its causes and consequences  
**Ms Feride Acar**, President of GREVIO Expert Group and member of the CEDAW Committee
- Discussion*
- 11.00 – 12.00 **Panel I** – the role of legislative authorities in achieving the standards of the Convention, monitoring its implementation and cooperation with specialized women's organizations  
  
**Mr Meho Omerović**, President of the Committee for Human and Minority Rights and Gender Equality within the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia  
**Ms Nada Drobnjak**, President of the Committee for Gender Equality in the Parliament of Montenegro  
**Ms Ismeta Dervoz**, ex-representative of B&H in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe  
*Moderator: Ms Adriana Bego*, Centre for Women War Victims – ROSA, Zagreb
- Discussion*
- 12:00 – 12:30 *Coffee break*





12:30 – 13:30 **Panel II** – The role of the executive authority in the establishment of general and specialist support services for women who have experienced violence, funding and accessibility of services, specialized women's organizations as service providers

**Mr Andrej Del Fabro**, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Ljubljana

**Ms Simona Rajšp**, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Ljubljana

**Ms Maria Rösslhuber**, Women against Violence Europe (WAVE)

**Ms Branka Drašković**, Special Advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Serbia for Gender Equality

*Moderator:* **Ms Špela Veselič**, Association SOS Help-line, Ljubljana

*Discussion*

13:30 – 14:45 **Panel III** – experiences of women's organizations in providing specialist services for women who have experienced violence, social policy of the European Union and requirements of the European networks of women's organizations

**Ms Irena Shtraza**, AWEN, Tirana

**Ms Mirlinda Sada**, Women Association Medica Gjakova

**Ms Hale Çelebi**, Mor Çatı Women's Shelter, Istanbul

**Ms Ljiljana Raičević**, Women's Safe House, Podgorica

**Ms Savka Todorovska**, National Council for Gender Equality, Skopje

**Ms Gorica Ivić**, United Women, Banja Luka

**Ms Iliana Stoicheva**, European Women's Lobby (EWL)

*Moderator:* **Ms Vanja Macanović**, Autonomous Women's Center, Belgrade

*Discussion*

14:45 – 15:00 **Conclusions and Closing Remarks**

*Lunch*

