



Sør-Odal kommune



More than a job – work breaks the cycle of violence against Women

- Twenty years after the Beijing Platform for Action

Date and Time: 18th March 2015, 4:30-06:00 pm

Place: 10th floor, UN Church Center

630 2nd Ave, New York, NY 10017.

Sør-Odal Municipality, Glåmdal Shelter Service and the Equality and Anti-Discrimination Ombud in Norway invite you to our parallel event at the NGO CSW Forum Beijing.

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Intoductory film and Welcome: Anne Mette Øvrum and Rachel Eapen Paul

Key Notes

- Rachel E. Paul senior adviser, the Office of the Equality Ombud in Norway; presenting the EEA Grants ESO4 programme: Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Promoting Work Life balance, including Addressing Gender Based Violence.
- Paloma Lopez-Izquierdo Botin: Attaché to the Deputy Director for Entrepreneurship and Women's Professional Promotion: Promoting the Social and labour Integration of women victims of gender based violence
- Cecilie Roverudseter, Nina Finsen and Jeanette Eriksen, Sør-Odal Municipality: the Norwegian model, initiatives and Plans of Action against Violence in Intimate Relationships – in relation to the Spanish model.

Panel discussion

- Film from Spain
- Anne-Mette Øvrum: Mayor of Sør-Odal Municipality
- Paloma Lopez-Izquierdo Botin, Women's Institute, Spain
- Rachel Eapen Paul, The Office of the Equality and Anti- discrimination Ombud of Norway
- CLECE, a private enterprise in Spain

Gender based violence is a huge societal challenge in both Spain and Norway. Women and girls make a large portion of the victims of this violence. Further to this, women's reduced engagement in the labour market makes them more dependent on their male partners. And again, victims of gender-based violence, due to the systematic abuse they have been subject to, experience reduced self-confidence and self-esteem, hindering their active engagement in work-life.

- How can we build on the activities that are currently being implemented by enterprises in Spain for the awareness raising and the social and labour integration of women who have been subject to gender-based violence?
- How can we highlight the importance of the cooperation between the different organisations (public and private) that are working with women who have been subject to gender based violence – to promote their social and labour integration and to support them in taking back control over their lives?
- Work breaks the cycle of violence - what are the experiences from Spain? How can we implement the model in Norway?

Concluding remarks: Sunniva Ørstavik, the Equality and Anti-discrimination Ombud of Norway

A warm welcome to all of you on behalf of the organizers!