

Draft Program to the conference

Men policies.

Contributions to gender equality

Date: October, 6./7. 10. 2014

Conference venue:

Aula der Wissenschaften
Wollzeile 27a
A-1010 Wien
Austria

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Work has traditionally been and is till now for most of the men in Europe the central reference point for their identity. The new men's emancipation approach leads out of this constricting masculinity understanding. A contemporary role model allows men to discover new fields for a more holistic life and experience. In this context family, child-rearing and care are important areas. In addition to the world of work and family it's also important that men have room for themselves in order to promote holistic health and vitality of men. A better balance of work, family, partnership and the "own world of men" is expected to provide an important contribution to gender equality.

Target Group

- Professionals and institutions in the field of boys, men's and fathers' work
- Stakeholders and institutions in the area of gender equality
- Politicians
- Experts from science and research

October 6, 2014:

12:30 Reception and welcome snack

13:30 Welcome and Introduction to the Austrian men and gender equality policies by the Austrian Federal Minister for Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection, Mr. Rudolf **Hundstorfer**

13:50 Greetings and Introduction to the German men and gender equality policies by the German Federal Minister for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Ms. Manuela **Schwesig**

14:10 Greetings and Introduction to the Luxembourg men and gender equality policies by the Luxembourg Minister of Health and Equal Opportunities, Ms. Lydia **Mutsch**

Reconciliation of work and family life for men

14:30: Kick-off statement by Mr. Jörg **Flecker**, University of Vienna: "New roles for men between work and family work"

14:45: High level panel discussion

Federal Minister Rudolf **Hundstorfer**, Federal Minister Manuela **Schwesig**, Minister Lydia **Mutsch** Minister Anja Kopač **Mrak** (invited), Federal Councillor Alain **Berset** (invited), Federal Minister **Heinisch-Hosek** (tbc) , Ms. Daniela **Bankier** , European Commission (tbc), Head of Section BMWFW (tbc), President of the Social Partners: Erich **Foglar**, Rudolf **Kaske**, Christoph **Leitl**, Georg **Kapsch** (tbc)

16:00: Coffee break

16:15: Best practices to men`s participation in family and partnership

Kick-off statement by Mr. Paul **Scheibelhofer**, University of Vienna: "Who Cares? Men's participation in family and partnership "

16:30: Best practice examples and panel discussion

Ms. Marie-Therese **Letablie**: "Best practices of social partners to parenthood and work-life balance for men in France"

Mr. Jorge **Cabrita**, EUROFOUND: "Reconciliation of work and family life in the European Union"

Mr. Andy **Keel** and Mr. Jürgen **Wiler**: "The part-time man - a Swiss model"

Mr. Dag **Schölper**, Federal Forum Men "Men`s responsibilities in fatherhood, partnership and work"

Mr. Hilde **Stockhammer**: The Equality Plan of the Public Employment Service - enabling reconciliation of work and family responsibilities for women and men

Mr. Michael **Wagner-Pinter**: "Fathers on parental leave"

17:45: Panel discussion with the speakers and the Austrian Federal Disability Attorney Erwin Buchinger with a short opening statement

18:30: Evening reception hosted by the Minister for Equal Opportunities of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

October 7, 2014

Men policies in view of research and practice

9:00: The road to equality: the contribution of men in Europe

Mr. Christian **Veske**, EIGE - European Institute for Gender Equality, "Involvement of Men in Gender Equality Initiatives"

Ms. Majda **Hrženjak**, Peace Institute Ljubljana + Ms. Nadja **Bergmann**, L & R: "The Role of Men in Gender Equality - European strategies & insights"

Mr. Ingólfur V. **Gíslason**: "Parental leave of commission in the Nordic countries and its impact on men and women "

Mr. Dominique **Anxo**: "Work life balance and working time preferences - a life course and European perspective"

10:10: Coffee break

10:35: The road to equality: Education and career choice

Mr. Josef **Aigner**, University of Innsbruck: "Effect of male kindergarten teachers on the development of children"

Mr. Steen **Nielsen Baagøe**: "Boy's schooling in Nordic countries"

Johannes **Berchtold** and Mr. Markus **Biank**, New paths for boys: "career and life planning "

Steve **Steeler**, FHS St.Gallen: "The whole man - a neglected resource in men`s life planning"

12:00: Lunch Buffet

13:30: Men NGO`s in Europe (counseling, education and encounter) - organization and networking at national and European level

Panel discussion with Bertold **Heltemes** (Initiative Liewensufank, Luxembourg), Andreas **Borter** (Vice President maenner.ch, Switzerland), Martin **Christandl** (man pictures Innsbruck), Martin **Rosowski** (men's work of the EKD and Bundesforum men, Germany), Tomas **Agnemo** (Men for Gender Equality, Sweden), Ole **Bredesen** (Reform Centre Norway - to be confirmed), Haci-Halil **Uslucan** (Center for

Studies on Turkey and integration research (ZfTI), Dusseldorf)

14:30: Coffee break

14:45: Networking and cooperation of men's and women's organizations

Panel discussion with Markus **Theunert**, Switzerland (President maenner.ch, Switzerland), Joachim **Lempert** (trainer in the field of violence prevention in Austria and Germany), Representative of the European Women's Lobby (to be confirmed), Romeo **Bissuti** (MEN Men's Health Centre, Vienna) Thomas **Gesterkamp** (Journalist and fathers Expert, Germany), Georges **Haan** (Luxembourg - Directorate Representative of Riicht eraus - center and counseling center for perpetrators of domestic violence), Ulrike **Alker** (FH Wien), Maria **Rösslhuber** (Managing Director of the Association Austrian Women's Shelter, Director of Women Against Violence in Europe), Rosa **Logar** (Vienna Intervention Centre against Domestic Violence in the family)

15:50: Summary of the conference results - Official closing of the conference

15:55: Coffee break

Moderation of the conference: Johannes Kaup

16:10: Networking and organization of men NGO's in Europe.

For representatives of the NGOs the event hall is available till to 18:00.

18:00: Invitation to the ceremony "30 years of men's counseling in Vienna"
(the ceremony will take place outside the conference venue)