



Women's
network



ELWN aims at expanding the participation of liberal democrat women at all levels of political life. The wide range of activities presented in this calendar underline how successfully the ELWN member organizations work towards this goal.

Vesna Pusić, ELWN President and ELDR Party Vice-President,
Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of Croatia

ELWN promotes the full participation of women in political and economic life as a key element in the development of a fair and competitive EU. I'm pleased to see the women's organizations of ELDR member parties so active in 2012.

Sir **Graham Watson** MEP, ELDR Party President





Secretariat for Women of the Democratic Alliance party in Greece

Person in charge : **Chryssa Salavrakou** is a founding member of the Democratic Alliance and is the Head of the Secretariat for Women since May 2011.

www.dimsim.gr

World Cancer Day: Information on Breast Cancer

Seminar on **4 February 2011** in Athens, Greece

Democratic Alliance will invite experts in order to raise awareness about cancer and to encourage its prevention, detection, and treatment. Our main aim will be to reduce the disease's stigma by educating our audience about its symptoms and treatment options.

January 2012

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Svenska Kvinnoförbundet,
Women's Organisation of the Swedish People's Party in Finland

www.kvinnoforbundet.fi

Gender Mainstreaming in Local and Regional Decision-Making

Seminar on **16 February 2012**

The seminar focuses on the implementation of the European charter for equality for women and men in local life in Municipalities in Finland where there are four pilot municipalities that are signatories to the charter.

February 2012

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Democratic Alliance's Secretariat for Women in Greece

Dora Bakoyannis MP, Leader of the Democratic Alliance (Greece)

www.dimsim.gr

Single-parent families

Seminar in **March-April** after the 2012 general elections in Greece

The demographics show a general increase worldwide in children living in single-parent homes. The seminar will concern not only the single parents themselves, but also the children involved. Moreover, we will analyze the divorce as one of the main events that leads to single parenting. Our aim will be to eliminate the social stigma of single-parent families.

March 2012

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8/03 : International Women's Day



Democraten 66 in The Netherlands

Person in charge : **Pia Dijkstra**, Member of Parliament for D66 and spokesperson for emancipation issues, former President of the public-private initiative "Taskforce part-time plus".

www.d66.nl

Feasible alternatives to quotas and equality on the labour market

Party congress fringe meeting on **21 April 2012**

Democraten 66 does not think quotas are the solution, but rather seeks for alternatives to improve the participation of women on in the labour market. D66 firmly believes it can learn from regulations, stimulation measures and other initiatives taken in other countries and ELDR best practices.

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Open VLD Vrouwen of the Vlaamse Liberalen en Democraten in Belgium

Picture: women active in the Open Vld Vrouwen organisation.

www.openvldvrouwen.be

Feasible alternatives to quotas and equality on the labour market

Meeting in April/May 2012

Examples of Open Vld Vrouwen's targets for 2012 are: putting balanced leadership and gender balance on the strategic agenda, working with executive teams to define the outline of a balanced organization, driving cultural change and developing balanced leadership skills of men, women and mixed teams.

May 2012

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Svenska Kvinnoförbundet,
Women's Organisation of the Swedish People's Party in Finland

Picture from the Finnish Sports Federation
www.kvinnoforbundet.fi

Women and Sports

Seminar on **3 May 2012**

The seminar will take up several perspectives on gender equality and sports. The topic will be specially relevant with the European Athletics Championships taking place in Helsinki in June 2012 and the Olympic games in London soon after. We will discuss with athletes, sports journalists, and government officials as well as NGOs that support women in sports.

June 2012

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Hrvatska narodna stranka – liberalni demokrati
Ženska Inicijativa HNS-a



HNS Women Initiative from the Croatia People's party- liberal democrats in Croatia

Person in charge: **Sonja König**, President of HNS Women Initiative.

www.hns.hr

Equal political participation and quotas

Seminar is **1-2 June 2012**, Šibenik, Croatia

Women are still underrepresented in political life and decision making in Croatia, making up only 20 % of high ranking political officials. According to the Law on Gender Equality, registered political parties are obliged to adopt a four year plan of action regarding the equal representation of women and men. The seminar will gather 80 women from all parts of Croatia.

July 2012

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Keskerakond, Center Party of Estonia

Person in charge: **Siiri Oviir**, Member of the European Parliament

www.keskerakond.ee

Together Against Gender Pay Gap

Conference will take place in Estonia in 2012

Estonian women's organizations are expected to participate as well as women's organizations of Estonian political parties and Estonian Women's Studies and Resource Centre. The conference on gender pay gap will remind Estonians that zero-pay gap is one of the characteristics of democracy.

August 2012

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Italia Dei Valori-Lista Di Pietro in Italy

Person in charge: **Sara Vatteroni**,
Member of the local government Provincia of Massa Carrara
www.italiadeivalori.it

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

Information and discussion campaign in Milan-Rome-Palermo in Italy in 2012

In 1985 Italy signed the CEDAW but no concrete steps towards its implementation have been taken so far. Our initiative is a grassroots information campaign aimed at promoting best practices and establishing a network involving the key institutions and civil society associations involved in gender equality matters.

September 2012

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Liberal Women Organization of the Liberal Party of Moldova, Partidul Liberal

Person in charge: **Corina Fusu**, Member of Parliament of Moldova

www.pl.md

Women in Politics: Obstacles and Challenges

Conference will take place in Chisinau, Moldova, in 2012 in collaboration with Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Liberty.

Facts have proven that women are equally good leaders as men. Despite the secular mentality in Moldova women have low positions in politics, business and public administration. The participants will analyse the position of women in Moldovan society, beyond their presence in the Moldovan politics. The goal is to promote gender equality and empower women; to raise the level of female political representation.

October 2012

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Convergència Democràtica de Catalunya together with the Municipality of Barcelona

Person in charge: **Francina Vila**, city councillor in charge of Social Affairs and Gender issues, Municipality of Barcelona.

www.convergencia.cat

Award at the Congress of Entrepreneurial Women

25 November 2012 at the occasion of the International Day against Gender Violence

The Barcelona City Council issues an award for the best project promoting action against violence against women. The award aims at giving support to all those initiatives that are taken to fight for a city free of violence against women, in any of its types and that contribute to the promotion of equal and respectful relationships.

November 2012

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Italia Dei Valori-Lista Di Pietro in Italy

Person in charge : **Ornella Speciale**, Regional Women Coordinator of IDV-Sicily

www.italiadeivalori.it

The clause of the most favoured European women

European petition and conferences in Italy throughout 2011 and 2012

Italia dei Valori promotes the research of French association *Choisir la cause des femmes* and launches the European petition in Italy with the idea of the unity among women in Europe. IDV aims to collect one million signatures in favour of a legislative "mix" for European women, so that all European countries will be able to adopt the best legislation for women. www.choisirlacausedesfemmes.org

December 2012

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The European Liberal Democrat and Reform Party would like to thank all our members who contributed to this calendar with information on political activities related to women issues. The ELDR party will organize two events in 2012 related to women issues, on Women's Day in Brussels and Dublin. More information on the European Liberal Women's Network is available at www.eldr.eu/en/structure/womens-network.php

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