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SURVEY ON THE WELL-BEING & SAFETY OF WOMEN



Project Update
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Mainstage fieldwork starting in 2018

OBJECTIVE:

To generate data and create an evidence base on different forms of violence against women (VAW) to be used for improved policymaking by key actors and international stakeholders.

The study will furthermore explore VAW in conflict and post-conflict situations.

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DURATION:

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BENEFICIARIES:

Victims of violence against women,
victims of gender base violence
civil society organizations, inter-
national organizations, academia,
OSCE
participating States

Key facts of the study:

This is a regular update prepared by the OSCE Gender Section Project Team of the project “OSCE Survey on the Well-being and Safety of Women in South East Europe, and Eastern Europe”¹.

The survey is based on the questionnaire and methodology of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) violence against women survey that covered 28 EU member States.

- This is a computer based face-to-face population survey conducted by female interviewers;
- 1,750 women will be interviewed per location (sample size) and female IDP's will be oversampled where relevant;
- Women between the age of 18–74 will be asked about their experiences of violence since the age of 15, in childhood and within the last 12 months;
- Relevant Statistical Offices are asked for their support and guidance;
- Data will be collected by local research companies under the guidance of Ipsos MORI;
- Qualitative research will be done in order to take the local contexts into account and to explore the situational of minorities and vulnerable groups.

1. Coverage: Ukraine, Moldova, Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina. The survey will also be conducted in Kosovo.



Presentation of the project at UN ECE Work Session on Gender Statistics in Belgrade

The Working Session on Gender Statistics, a three day long conference of European Statisticians, took place from 29 November to 1 December in Belgrade. The conference was jointly organized by UN ECE and the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia.

The first conference day was opened with the session on 'Violence against Women', followed by the session on 'Gender issues in vulnerable population groups' and a closing panel discussion. During the session on 'Violence against

Women', Mr. Gergely Hideg, statistical expert, presented the project OSCE Survey on the Well-being and Safety of Women on behalf of Ms. Serani Siegel, the survey's Project Manager.

The Project Team also used the opportunity to gather representatives of relevant statistical offices, who were present during the conference. A special meeting was organized where the project's methodology, as well as, expected outputs were presented and discussed.

Briefing on project's progress for OSCE delegations in Vienna

On 22 January 2018, the OSCE Gender Section Project Team organized a briefing on the project at the Hofburg in Vienna. The event primarily targeted members of delegations of OSCE participating States. In total 40 participants came to the briefing including representatives from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), UNHCR, the Council of Europe Liaison Office in Vienna and the Women against Violence Europe Network (WAVE).

The event was opened by Ambassador Paul Bekkers, Director of the Office of the OSCE Secretary General, who highlighted the importance of linking the project to other on-going initiatives at the international level and noted that evidence-based policy making is a key pre-requisite to tackle root causes of existing problems.

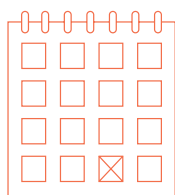
The Project Manager, Ms. Serani Siegel, shared a comprehensive overview of the key milestones that have been achieved up to date. She highlighted in particular the importance of reaching out to local level stakeholders and ensuring that the data generated by the project will be used in their future activities.

The co-operation with OSCE Field Operations, who cover the locations where the survey will be implemented, will be crucial for the proper and long-term engagement of local level stakeholders and the dissemination of the research findings.



Members of OSCE delegations listening to the presentation of the project, January 2018 (OSCE/Dušica Đukić)

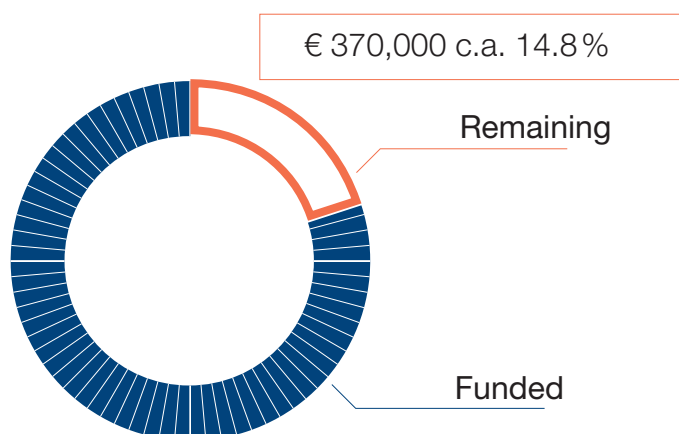
Important dates/upcoming events:



- Beginning of mainstage fieldwork in 2018
- 13 March 2018, New York: CSW side event „advancing reserach for policy formulation“, co-organized by OSCE and UNFPA
- 14 March 2018, New York: next meeting of the project’s High-Level Advisory Group
- Fall 2018: Roundtable discussions with key local stakeholders in survey locations

Funding gap:

The Project Team continues with fundraising efforts to close the remaining funding gap of 14.8% (approximately 370,000.00 EUR)



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