Young Elected Politicians for more Women in Politics
Brussels, 4-5 March 2020
DRAFT AGENDA

Wednesday 4 March

Location: European Committee of the Regions, Jacques Delors building

a.m. Accreditation

9:45 – 10:00 Presentation of the European Committee of the Regions
Klaus Hullmann, Visitors programme, CoR
Language: English
Room: JDE 60

10:00 -10:15 Welcoming by the CoR President Apostolos Tzitzikostas (tbc)
Room: JDE 60

10:15 – 10:30 Introduction to the day
Andrea Bodova
Room JDE 60

10:30 – 12:30 Participatory workshop on measures that should be put in place to eliminate individual, organisational and social obstacles that dissuade women from entering politics.
Introduction by a Una Power, CoR Member and by CEMR
Facilitator: Claudia de Castro Caldeirinha, Leadership Professor, Director of Redscope Consulting
Room: JDE 60
Language: English

12:30-13:30 Lunch
Salon Ledra Street (tbc)

13:30-15:00 Continuation of the participatory workshop
Language: English
Room: JDE 3253

15:00-16:00 Presentation of European Commission's initiatives on Gender equality and funding opportunities
15:00-16:00 **Drafting recommendations**  
*small group of YEPs with the facilitators*  
*Language: English*  
*Room: JDE 3253*

16:00-16:30 **Break**

16:30-17:30 **Finalisation of the recommendations**  
*all YEPs*  
*Language: English*  
*Room: JDE 60*
Thursday 5 March

9:00 – 12:30  The 25th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action  
*Location: European Parliament, room JAN 2Q2*  
*Language: tbd*

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch and Market Place  
*Location: CoR*

13:30 – 14:20  Opening "Why gender balance in politics matters for democracy: are we moving forwards?"  
*Language: EN, FR, DE, IT, PL*  

**Speakers**  
- Apostolos Tzitzikostas, President of the European Committee of the Regions (tbc);  
- Evelyn Regner, Chair of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, European Parliament  

**Moderator:** Claudia de Castro Caldeirinha, Leadership Professor, Director of Redscope Consulting

14:30 – 16:15  "Women in local politics: where we are now, where we go next"  
*Language: EN, FR, DE, IT, PL*  

**Speakers:**  
- Sirpa Hertell, City Councillor of Espoo (FI), Member of the CEMR Standing Committee for Equality: CEMR study “Women in Local Politics: Local and European Trends”;

- Best practices from local level:  
  - Klara Geywitz, former Member of the State of Brandenburg: "Act on Gender Parity in Politics";  
  - Nathalie Sarrabezolles, CoR Member, President of the Finistère Departmental Council: "Women in Cohesion Policy";  
  - Jasna Gabrič, CoR Member, Mayor of Trbovlje: "Gender quotas as a path to women empowerment"

- Young Elected Politicians (YEPs): Presentations of the key results of the participatory workshops by the group of 30 "Young Elected Politicians 4 More Women in Politics"  
Which are the measures that should be put in place to eliminate individual, organizational and social obstacles that dissuade women from entering politics?  

**Moderators:**  
- Jaimie Just, Policy Officer – Gender Equality and Diversity, CEMR;  
- Nathalie Noupadja, Head of Research and Studies, CEMR.

16:30 – 17:30  "Social Media as a key tool to overcome the issue of women leaders' representation in traditional media"  
*Language: EN, FR, DE, IT, PL*  

- Rick Zednik, Managing Director, Women Political Leaders (WPL);  
- Joanna Maycock, Secretary General of the European Women’s Lobby  

**Moderator:** Claudia de Castro Caldeirinha, Leadership Professor, Director of Redscope Consulting

17:30 – 18:30  Networking reception and Market Place