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Sign the call Abolition 2012!



[Brussels, 26 October 2011] Sign the call Abolition 2012 and mobilise for an abolitionist law against the system of prostitution in France.

Visit the website of the call and see all the supporting NGOs (already almost 25) as well as the list of individual signatories.

The call is on facebook!

The call has been initiated by three NGOs: Amicale du Nid, Mouvement du Nid, and Fondation (...)

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Sign the petition in support of the joint UN-ILO-WHO Social Protection Floor Initiative!



[Brussels, 25 October 2011] Knowing that more than 1.4 billion people still struggle to live on less than \$1.25 a day (World Bank),

it is obvious that much more must be done to eradicate the scourge of extreme poverty.

The International Labour Organization (ILO) and the World Health Organization (WHO) coordinate the Social Protection Floor Initiative (SPF-I) as a joint UN effort to build a (...)

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EWL NEWS

Bilan du séminaire du LEF sur les hommes et le féminisme : de nouvelles pistes de réflexion pour les mouvements de femmes



[Bruxelles, le 28 Octobre 2011] C'est au travers d'un séminaire mêlant chercheur-se-s et militant-e-s, que le Lobby européen des femmes (LEF) a décidé de se pencher sur la question des hommes (pro-)féministes et de leur rôle dans le mouvement féministe et l'élaboration des nouvelles politiques publiques d'égalité.

Samedi 22 octobre 2011, plus de 90 personnes ont pu profiter de l'expertise et l'expérience (...)

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EWL-UN event raises awareness on trafficking for sexual exploitation



[Brussels, 28 October 2011] On Thursday 27 October, the EWL, in partnership with UNRIC and UN WOMEN Brussels Office, hosted an event on violence against women and trafficking in the Harlan Levey Projects Gallery in Brussels. The event took place in the context of the exhibition of the finalists of the United Nations ad competition "Say NO to Violence Against Women" and the 5th EU (...)

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EWL and partners announce a European Parliament hearing on family reunification

legislation



[Brussels, 27 October 2011] The European Women's Lobby (EWL), the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) and the European Network of Migrant Women (ENoMW) are delighted to announce a Hearing at the European Parliament entitled "Family Reunification legislation in Europe: is it discriminatory for migrant women?", on 10 November 2011. The Hearing will be open for anybody who (...)

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Vacancy: Internship in Communications for Women's Rights at the EWL Secretariat (deadline: 13 November 2011)



[Brussels, 27 October 2011] The Brussels-based EWL Secretariat is seeking to recruit a full time paid intern with expertise in Communications for Women's Rights for the first half of 2012, starting 9 January 2012.

To apply, please complete the application form and return it by e-mail to: ewl@womenlobby.org, mentioning in the subject line 'Application for paid internship'.

NB: CVs and (...)

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EWL: Trio EU Presidency needs to strengthen its commitment to gender equality



[Brussels, 25 October 2011] Poland, Denmark, and Cyprus, the Member States leading the EU from July 2011 to December 2012, have released a joint declaration on gender equality. The EWL calls on the Trio Presidency to back its commitment with concrete proposals and strong leadership and reminds that gender equality is not only an economic question.

The Trio Presidency Declaration, presented (...)

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▶ EUROPEAN & INTERNATIONAL NEWS

UN Special Rapporteur: Criminalisation of abortion is an abuse of power



[Brussels, 28 October 2011] The EWL welcomes the report (A/66/254) of the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to health Anand Grover that was presented to the UN General Assembly on 24 October 2011. The report is a milestone in the struggle for the full realization of the right to health for all.

The Report exposes the need to eliminate laws and policies that criminalize and restrict access (...)

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European Parliament passes resolution saying single mothers and their children should receive more direct support



[Brussels, 26 October 2011] EU Member States should help single mothers by setting up "family centres" to provide them with temporary accommodation, advice and education, the European Parliament confirmed in a resolution passed by a show of hands on Tuesday.

The number of single mothers is growing in all advanced and industrialised countries, as a result of divorce, separation or

never (...)

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ROJ Women's Association uses EWL Barometer to highlight inadequacy of Turkish National Action Plan for combating violence against women



[Brussels, 25 October 2011] The Turkish and Kurdish women's association, Roj Women, has published a Press Release highlighting the results of the EWL Barometer on violence against women, stressing how the Turkish National Action Plan fails to adequately address this widespread human rights abuse. The EWL recently had the pleasure to hear from and exchange with the ROJ Women's Association on the (...)

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Germany - Top firms pledge to bring more women into their boardrooms



[Brussels, 25 October 2011] Last week, Germany's biggest 30 firms signed a pledge to increase the number of women in top management positions, with targets varying from 12% by 2014 to 35% by 2018. The EWL has long been calling on companies to implement strong measures to redress an imbalance where in the top 300 EU publicly traded companies, less than 12% of board members are women. In (...)

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IFJ calls on journalists to join global wage survey



[European Federation of Journalists, Brussels, 24 October 2011]

The International Federation of Journalists (IFJ) today calls on journalists around the world to take part in a global wage survey "WageIndicator" to campaign for decent pay to journalists and to narrow the gender pay gap in journalism.

In a letter addressed to its affiliates, the IFJ called on all its members to participate in (...)

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Stop proposed ban on gender reassignment in Lithuania! say members of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe



[Transgender Europe, Malmo, 23 October 2011] Members of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe issued a written declaration on October 5th 2011 (Doc. 12753), which speaks out sharply against the legal proposal to ban gender reassignment in Lithuania. The 30 signees find "this proposal is an egregious attack on the fundamental rights of a highly vulnerable minority, who are in any (...)

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NEW RESOURCES

- [European Women's Management Development International Network - Women and Economic Crisis 2011: The perception of crisis in the country, at work, in the family sphere \(2011\)](#)
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- [World YWCA - Week Without Violence Resources and Tools \(2011\)](#)
- [European Commission DC Justice, freedom and security - The EU policy to fight and prevent trafficking in human beings \(2011\)](#)
- [European Institute for Gender Equality - Review of the Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action: Women and the Economy - Reconciliation of Work and Family Life as a Condition of Equal Participation in the Labour Market \(2011\)](#)

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