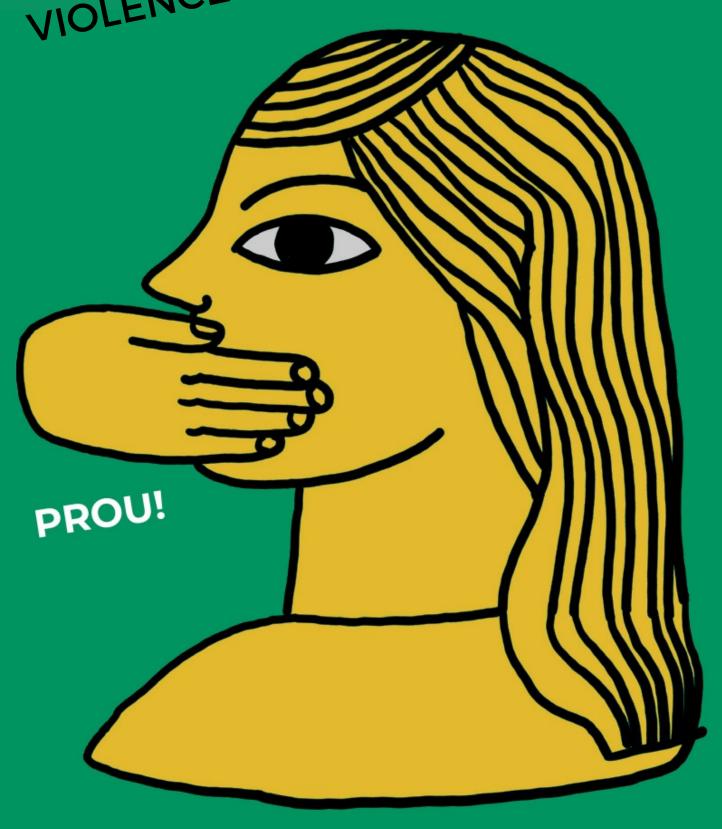
XVI FORUM
AGAINST
GENDER
VIOLENCE

5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14 nov 2020 Women: invisible for too long, essential always



TIME OF HEALTH, SOCIAL AND HUMAN CRISIS

The ravages of the pandemic catapult the need for care, the essential resources for life, nature, politics, and public enterprises.

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The coronavirus pandemic in the age of globalization is deadly to humanity, nature, the economic and political system, and surely to women, children.

and men. The whole planet's economy is on the verge of collapse. In Spain, we are at 43.9% youth unemployment, there is a high increase in precariousness and poverty. Public health, with front-line workers, must make huge efforts to save lives and take on the casualties. Science, at full speed, is looking for a vaccine, after ten years of disregarding the warnings of the scientific community.

The feminist strike of 2018 cried out "if we, women, stop, the world stops". And women did stop. Now that the world has been stopped by a health crisis, result, not only of an inopportune virus, but by the great cuts that we have been denouncing for years, it has been shown more than ever that the cry of millions of women around the world is a reality.

Feminized professions, health, home, social work, cleaning, support groups, women turn out to be an overwhelming 80% of those who are largely

engaged in the care, health and life of people and nature. The values of this sorority, commitment and love lead us to public resources, communal goods and universal rights.

We come from a structural deficit in social care policies for women that this crisis has made evident. From the care organizations for women in processes of violence, we have been pointing out for long time, with reports and research, with scientific evidence, that primary care services are not prepared

to detect and address situations of sexist violence. In all its spheres, this directly affects women's right to a life free of violence and their right to reparation for the harm caused.

In this context, at the XVI Forum against Gender Violence, we focus on life, care, and essential services, where women and the feminist movement are an engine of change.

The pandemic has shown that the economic, capitalist, and patriarchal system, with the moto of "what is sacred is money", seriously harms human and world health. Women, people, are reduced to mere numbers. The economy

does not take on account the needs of women and society, but of big business and finance.

We do not want to return to "normality."
That of social cuts
in health, education, and life resources.
The one that does not provide an
equitable distribution of wealth. The one
that causes inequalities and leaves
sexist aggressors unpunished.
Despite the restrictions on capacity, and of
seeing and feeling each
other virtually, we will have a space where
we can talk, reflect, weave
alliances with other social movements. The
Forum is a space with a vocation for
the exchange of experiences.
We are in a time of change where those in

power are looking for ways to take advantage of the crisis to gain more profits and strength in the world market, and on 7.5 billion souls (half of them women). From the bottom up, we must fight for a just, supportive world where violence against women is unthinkable. A world where economic and public resources prevail over private ones, where universal rights are effective.

At the Forum, we will draw conclusions to carry out campaigns and lines of action for advocacy and awareness raising. In the Forum we will expand our network. Together and with the strength of all, we can change, we can transform this patriarchal society that oppresses us.

THE FORUM IS ADRESSED TO:

- >> Youth and adolescence.
- >> Families.
- >> The associative fabric and citizenship.
- >> Professionals in health, education, information, the legal sector, security, activism, politics.
- >> Refugees, exiles, and migrants.
- >> Local, regional, and state institutions.

PARTICIPATE IN THE FORUM ANB BE PART OF THE CHANGE!

Barcelona, november 2020

Thursday, 5th of november

XVI Forum against gender violence

>> From 10 to 12:30 p.m.

Round table // Face-to-face and streaming

CARE AND LIFE: A TRANSFORMING PROPOSAL.

We claim women's lives as essential and make visible the different situations of discrimination in all social spheres that lead us to a feminization of poverty. We denounce the more naturalized injustices: sexual violence, the invisibility of the realities of migrant women, women with disabilities, older women, and child abuse.

SPEAKERS: **Alba Alfageme**, psychologist specialized in tackling sexist violence. **Carme Riu**, president of the Dones no Stàndard Association. **Teresa Saez**, Lunes Liles. Feminist movement from Navarra. **Merlys Mosquera**, UAB Sociology PhD student. GEDIME Group.

MODERATOR: Montserrat Vilà Planas

COORDINATES: Plataforma Unitària contra la Violència de Gènere

Opening performance by the theater company La Melancòmica.



Thursday, 5th of november

XVI Forum against gender violence



>> From 6 to 8 p.m.

Round table // Face-to-face and streaming

FEMINIST ECONOMIES, KEY IN TIME OF COVID.

Feminist economics raises a perspective that puts in the center of the socioeconomic system the promotion of people's well-being. It broadens and questions the approaches of classical economics, focusing on the entirety of works that are indispensable for the reproduction of human life: not only the work considered "productive", but also the reproductive one and care work. Thus, the feminist economy offers us a ecessary perspective towards the interdependence and vulnerability inherent to the human condition, even more critical in these times of global pandemic. Shouldn't the economy be at the service of life?

SPEAKERS: **Sara Moreno Colom**, Sociology Professor at the UAB. **Özgür Güneş Öztürk**, Col·lectivaT. LasKellys. **Montserrat Sadó**, CCOO Secretary of Women and nurse.

MODERATOR: Amanda Alexanian

COORDINATES: Almena Cooperativa Feminista

Saturday 7th of november

XVI Forum against gender violence

>> From 10 to 12 p.m.

Round table // Face-to-face and streaming

DENIERS OF SEXIST VIOLENCE: THE FALSE PAS.

Despite recognized bodies such as the WHO or the Spanish General Council of the Judiciary recommending the Parental Alienation Syndrome (PAS) not to be applied because it has no scientific basis, Courts continue to forcibly bind children to abusive parents, and removing custody to supposedly manipulative mothers. The PAS is one of the most serious institutional attacks on mothers trying to protect their children, mainly in cases of gender-based violence and child sexual abuse. At the same time, it violates the fundamental rights of children who are victims of sexual abuse.

SPEAKERS: Estrela Gómez, Galician Association contra os Malos Tratos a Menores, AGAME. Sonia Vaccaro, Clinical and Forensic Psychologist. Marisa Fernández Gálvez, Lawyer member of Dones Juristes. María del Mar Daza Bonachela, Doctor of Law, Victimology, Secretary of Feminicidio.net.

MODERATOR: Oriol Ginés

Zero row of experts: **Marta Ribas**, Member of the Parliament of Catalonia- En Comú Podem; **Laia Rosich**, Vice-Dean of the Official Psychologists Association of Catalonia; **Isabel Martínez**, SIMI Platform.

COORDINATES: Conexus Association.

Thursday, Thursd

>> From 6 to 8 p.m.

Round table // Face-to-face and streaming

INTERNATIONAL FEMINIST RESPONSES IN INSTITUTIONAL SPACES. PUBLIC POLICIES AND ORGANIZATION.

The globalized world: 25 years of the Beijing Platform for Action and 5 years of the Sustainable Development Goals. Where are we on the good intentions of major international organizations such as the UN and UN-women? Campaigns and mobilizations from the movements.

SPEAKERS: Montse Pineda, Creación Positiva, CNDC Vice President. Begoña San José, Platform Impacto de Género Ya. Almudena Rodríguez, Women's Major Group.

MODERATOR: Patsilí Toledo

COORDINATES: Plataforma Unitària contra les Violències de

Gènere

Friday 13th of november

XVI Forum against gender violence

>> From 6 to 8 p.m.

Round table // Face-to-face and streaming

THEORIZING EXPERIENCES FROM ANTI-RACISM POLITICIAN..

The idea is to generate a story based on the theory of racism and Islamophobia, from a knowledge situated and theorized by recognized experts who have suffered racism in their own skin, and from this experience, and others, have built knowledge. The goal is to that the representation of these voices is not focused on the victims, but on making them visible by pointing towards the structure.

SPEAKERS: **Salma Amzian**, Researcher and anti-racist activist. **Cristina Zhang Yu**, Co-founder of Catàrsia. **Daniela Ortiz**, Artist and anti-racist activist. **Silvia Agüero**, Gypsy, mestiza and feminist.

MODERATOR: Hajar Menssouri.

COORDINATES: Joventut Musulmana Multicultural, Hèlia Dones Association, and the Institute for Inequalities. With the support of the ACCD.

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