



Press Release

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Regional Experts Roundtable - Promoting Gender Equality Through Education

In the frame of the project “Combating Violence against Women in the Southern Mediterranean Region”, funded by the EU, a Regional Experts Roundtable “**Promoting Gender Equality Through Education**” was held on 18 June 2019 in Beirut, Lebanon. The roundtable gathered 27 legal and gender experts and researchers from Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia, France and Sweden, as well as representatives from ministry of education from Jordan and Lebanon. Click [here](#) to view photo album.

LilianHalls French, Co-President of the EuroMed Feminist Initiative highlighted that the EU-funded project has a particular focus on education as the Consortium of women’s rights organizations will implement education activities in 10 pilot schools, in each of the project countries, including ToT for 120 teachers and workshops for 700 children.

The experts discussed main challenges and achievements in addressing gender biases in educational curricula and programs, and shared lessons learnt and strategies to better mainstream gender equality in school curricula. They emphasized the need to revise the educational curricula and textbooks with the perspective of challenging cultural and social norms and eliminating gender stereotypes.

They underlined the vital role of schools in contributing to the development of more gender-equitable societies where VAWG is not tolerated.

The participants examined different gender sensitive teaching methods and agreed to develop regional guidelines and manual to mainstream gender equality in the school curricula based on existing achievements and lessons learned.