



## FORM FOR SUBMISSION OF SPANISH EMERGENCY MOTIONS

EWL General Assembly 2020

Online, 8 September 2020

**By midnight on 16 August 2020**, please send to Marie-Anne Leunis [leunis@womenlobby.org](mailto:leunis@womenlobby.org), copying in Claire Fourcans at [claire.fourcans@womenlobby.org](mailto:claire.fourcans@womenlobby.org), the completed form (below) and **all** relevant signatures of members proposing and seconding the motion. Any information received after 16 August will not be valid nor accepted.

Date: August, 13<sup>th</sup> 2020

Title of the emergency motion:

***Against the erasure of women***

[One Emergency motion per full member organisation, seconded by at least 5 other full member organisations of EWL]

Organisation proposing the emergency motion:

Name of the organisation:

***Lobby Europeo de Mujeres en España – LEM España***

Name, mobile number & Email for ongoing contact prior to the General Assembly:

***M Teresa Nevado Bueno, 34 629629632 mtnevado@hotmail.com***

Signature of the President (mentioning name and email address for the purpose of authentication of the emergency motion):

***Rosa Maria Fernandez Sansa President, rosamafers@gmail.com***

Organisations seconding the motion:

For each of the (at least 5) organisations, please indicate:

1. Name of the organisation: **Cyprus Women's Lobby**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Eleni Karioli*,

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Eleni Karioli Member of Board*





2. Name of the organisation: **Network for EWL Serbia**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Aleksandra Nestorov,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Aleksandra Nestorov,* Board Member

3. Name of the organisation: **Italian Coordination of the European Women's Lobby /Lef-Italia,**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Maria Ludovica Bottarelli Tranquilli-Leali*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Maria Ludovica Bottarelli Tranquilli-Leali* Board Member

**Maria Ludovica Bottarelli Tranquilli Leali**

4. Name of the organisation: **Hungarian Women's Lobby**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Reka Safrany*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Reka Safrany* Board Member

5. Name of the organisation: **Coordination française pour le Lobby Européen des Femmes - CLEF**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Gwendoline Lefebvre*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Gwendoline Lefebvre* Board Member

6. Name of the organisation: **Swedish Women's Lobby,**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Linda Schang,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Linda Schang* Board Member

7. Name of the organisation: **ECICW (International Women's Council)**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Brigitte Polonovsky, President, Rosa M<sup>a</sup> Artigas Member of Board,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Brigitte Polonovsky* President ,

*Rosa M<sup>a</sup> Artigas,* Board Member



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8. Name of the organisation: **European Network of Migrant Women (ENoMW)**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Salome Mbugua, Co-President,*  
*Noura Raad, Co-President.*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative  
(mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):  
*Salome Mbugua, Co-President,*  
*Noura Raad, Co-President.*

9. Name of the organisation: **Plataforma Portuguesa para os Direitos das Mulheres (PPDM) - Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Ana Sofia Fernandes,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Ana Sofia Fernandes, Member of Board*

10. Name of the organisation: **Romanian Women's Lobby**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Albu Laura*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Albu Laura, Board Member*

11. Name of the organisation: **Malta Women's Lobby,**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Marie Therese Cuschieri, MWL Chairperson,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Marie Therese Cuschieri, Board Member*





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**12. Name of the organisation: Lithuanian Women's Lobby**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Audronė Kisielienė,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Audronė Kisielienė, Board Member*

**13. Name of the organisation: Women's Lobby Slovenia**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Violeta Neubauer*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Violeta Neubauer, Board Member*

**14. Name of the organisation: Network of East-West Women NEWW Poland**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Malgorzata Tarasiewicz,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Malgorzata Tarasiewicz, Board Member*

**15. Name of the organisation: Macedonian Women's Lobby**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Afërdita Haxhijaha Imeri,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Afërdita Haxhijaha Imeri, Board Member*

**16. Name of the organisation: Women's Network of Croatia**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Mirjana Kucer,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Mirjana Kucer, Board Member*





**17. Name of the organisation: Bulgarian Coordination of the EWL**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Milena Kadieva,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Milena Kadieva, Board Member*

**18. Name of the organisation: Österreichischer Frauenring, Austrian Women Ring**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Christiane Ugbor,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Christiane Ugbor, Member Board*

**19. Name of the organisation: Women's NGO Cooperation Network of Latvia**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Inete Ielite*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Inete Ielite Member Board*

**20. Name of the organisation: Conseil des Femmes Francophones de Belgique**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Sylvie Lausberg, Président ,*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Sylvie Lausberg, Président , President [S.lausberg@cffb.be](mailto:S.lausberg@cffb.be)*

**21. Name of the organisation: Fédération Internationale des femmes des Carrières Juridiques (IFWLC)**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Anne SIREYJOL President*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Anne SIREYJOL President*



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22. Name of the organisation: **European Council of WIZO Federations**

Name & Email of the contact person: *Renee Goldfarb*

Signature of the Board member or equivalent representative (mentioning name and email address of the relevant person):

*Manuele Amar*





**Text of the emergency motion (maximum 5 lines)** – Please note that ONLY this text will be voted on at the General Assembly.

The promotion and defence of women's rights is becoming diluted under the generic word and undefined concept of gender. Moreover the use of this word and concept in defining women's role instead of sex, prevents from measuring the differences between men and women in work, wages, violence, harassment and other discrimination against women. CEDAW, ratified by all EU countries, defines discrimination against women as "any distinction, exclusion or restriction made on the basis of sex". Annihilating the concept of sex under the heading of gender identity will have a negative impact on policies promoting women's rights and on attaining the EU founding principle of equality between women and men.

**Political context (maximum 5 lines):**

Three legislative projects (On Sexual Freedom, Protection of childhood and the Modification of the Education Law) will be discussed in the Spanish Parliament in the next months. The drafts prepared by the Spanish government lead to a confusion between sex and gender. Other similar legislative projects will be presented to the Spanish Parliament, by the Government and appear to include the same confusion according to published information. Annihilating the concept of sex under the heading of gender identity will have a negative impact on policies promoting women's right, mainly against the two more important Spanish laws on women: The Law against Gender Violence (2004) and the Equality Law (2007). This problem happens in Spain but not only. So, a clarification is needed from within the feminist movement and the EWL with regard to this issue.

**What is requested as follow up? Who should do this?**

**To send a letter from EWL to:** President of Spanish Government (Sr Pedro Sanchez), Vicepresident 1<sup>a</sup> (Sra Carmen Calvo), Ministry of Equality of Spain (Sra Irene Montero), President of Spanish Parliament (Sra Meritxell Batet) and all the Spanish political groups in Parliament to ask for the removal of the wording and reworking of paragraphs causing this confusion in all legislative projects. At the same time, send a copy of this letter to EU structure (the President of the European Commission, the President of the European Parliament and the Commissioner for Justice) for informational purposes regarding the situation in Spain.