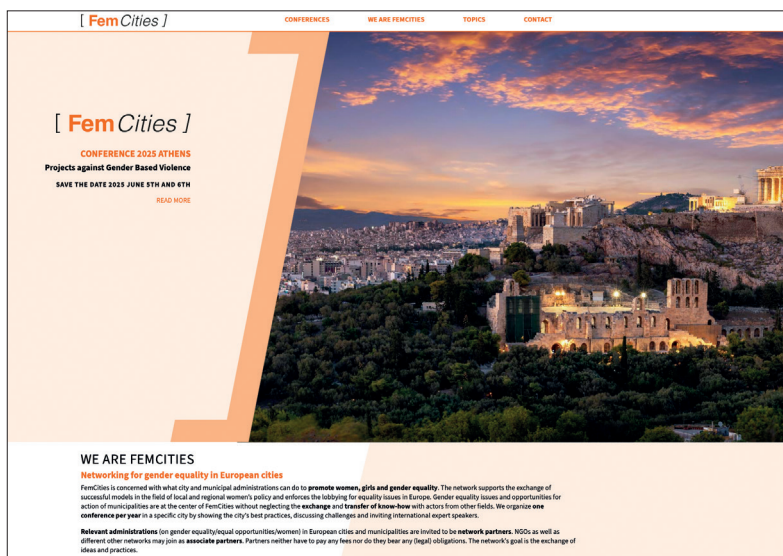


International Networks – Connecting Women

International connections facilitate the exchange of valuable information, enabling the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs to learn from the experiences and successes of other cities in promoting gender equality. Participation in conferences and delegations provides a platform to display Vienna's initiatives, gain recognition for best practices, and foster collaboration with international partners. Additionally, these networks can offer support in the form of shared resources, expertise, and solidarity, creating a global community dedicated to advancing women's rights and empowerment.

FemCities

The City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs coordinates FemCities (www.femcities.at), a city network, which was created under the name Milena in 1997. Today, the network is concerned with what city and municipal administrations can do to promote women, girls and gender equality. The network supports the exchange of successful models in the field of local and regional women's policy and enforces the lobbying for equality issues in Europe. Gender equality issues and opportunities for action of municipalities are at the centre of FemCities, complemented by the exchange and transfer of knowledge with actors from other fields. FemCities organises one conference per year to showcase the cities' best practices, discussing challenges and inviting international expert speakers. Relevant administrations (on gender equality/equal opportunities/women) in European cities and municipalities are invited to be network partners. NGOs as well as other associations may join as associate partners. The network's goal is the exchange of ideas and practices.



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Networking for gender equality in European cities
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Relevant administrations (on gender equality/equal opportunities/women) in European cities and municipalities are invited to be **network partners**. NGOs as well as different other networks may join as **associate partners**. Partners neither have to pay any fees nor do they bear any legal obligations. The network's goal is the exchange of ideas and practices.

Eurocities

Eurocities is the largest network of European cities. They count over 200 large cities among their membership, representing more than 150 million people across 38 countries, from within and outside the European Union. Eurocities is where local governments meet, exchange ideas and work together to bring positive change. Their actions cut across a broad range of themes and foster change through advocacy and projects, while our membership offers extensive networking opportunities, activities, events, training and campaigns.

The City of Vienna, as well as the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs, is an active member of Eurocities. The department is part of the Eurocities Task Force on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, which will work to secure a gender mainstreaming approach in policy and projects, and support cities to build up their capacities by sharing best practices such as gender budgeting and approaches to gender sensitive urban planning.

Delegations

Delegations from all around the world visiting the City of Vienna Department for Women's Affairs benefit from first-hand insights into Vienna's successful gender equality initiatives, sharing best practices and fostering cross-cultural exchanges. This exchange of knowledge not only strengthens international collaboration but also inspires innovative approaches and strategies to advance women's rights and empowerment on a global scale.