



## GENDER EQUALITY

Women  
represent  
52%  
of  
the  
European  
population  
and  
yet  
men  
are  
still  
over-  
represented  
in  
all  
the  
European  
instances

of  
decision-  
making.  
It  
means  
that  
the  
majority  
of  
citizens'  
voices  
are  
not  
heard  
and  
therefore  
many  
of  
their  
issues  
are  
not  
taken  
into  
account.  
It  
is  
time  
for  
the  
European  
Union,  
i.e.  
the  
European  
Parliament,  
to  
take  
more  
concrete  
actions  
to  
guarantee  
that  
the  
European  
Union  
also  
works  
for

and  
with  
women,  
guaranteeing  
them  
equal  
rights  
and  
opportunities.

## Women's rights

Therefore,  
the  
ask  
the  
future  
Members  
of  
the  
European  
Parliament  
to:

**1.**  
**Make**  
**sure**  
**women**  
**are**  
**equally**  
**included**  
**in**  
**decision-**  
**making**

It  
is  
not  
a  
true  
democracy  
when  
half  
of  
the  
population  
is  
not  
fairly

represented  
and  
is  
not  
participating  
in  
decisions  
that  
concern  
everyone.  
The  
European  
Parliament  
needs  
to  
ensure  
the  
equal  
representation  
of  
women  
and  
men  
in  
political  
decision-  
making  
across  
all  
the  
European  
Union  
bodies,  
including  
the  
European  
Commission.  
It  
should  
also  
take  
stringent  
actions  
and  
adopt  
a  
zero  
tolerance  
policy  
towards

discrimination  
based  
on  
sex,  
racial  
or  
ethnic  
origin,  
religion  
or  
belief,  
disability,  
age  
or  
sexual  
orientation  
in  
all  
the  
institutions  
and  
Parliaments  
in  
Europe.

**2.**  
**Guarantee**  
**that**  
**women**  
**are**  
**free**  
**from**  
**violence**

It  
is  
primordial  
that  
the  
European  
institutions  
act,  
to  
guarantee  
that  
all  
women  
can  
live  
a  
life

free  
from  
violence.  
The  
European  
Parliament  
should  
follow  
up  
on  
the  
ratification  
and  
implementation  
of  
the  
Istanbul  
Convention  
by  
the  
European  
Union.  
It  
should  
also  
strive  
for  
a  
Directive  
on  
Violence  
against  
Women,  
also  
including  
prostitution  
as  
a  
form  
of  
violence  
against  
women.

**3.**  
**Guarantee**  
**women's**  
**independence**  
**throughout**  
**their**

**life**

**course**

The

European

Parliament

should

first

act

to

guarantee

women's

equal

economic

independence

by

closing

the

gender

pay,

pension

and

poverty

gaps;

by

introducing

a

"care

guarantee"

as

well

as

ensuring

that

the

macro-

economic

framework

seeks

to

progress

equality

between

women

and

men.

Gender

budgeting

should

also

be

at  
the  
core  
of  
the  
European  
budget  
which  
is  
a  
direct  
competence  
of  
the  
European  
Parliament.

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For  
more  
information,  
see:

#### **Manifesto**

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**European  
Elections**

(in  
English)

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**on**

**the**

**Istanbul**

**Convention**

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–  
European  
Women’s  
Voice:  
Women’s  
Economic  
Independence  
in  
Times  
of  
Austerity

## Political Parties On Issues

## ISSUES





DEMOCRATIC  
EUROPE

DIGITAL  
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RIGHTS  
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FARMING



GENDER  
EQUALITY

GREEN  
EUROPE  
EDUCATION  
DISABILITIES  
HEALTH

HIGHER  
INTELLECTUAL

EDUCATION  
DISABILITIES  
HEALTH



MIGRATION

PERSONS  
WITH  
DISABILITIES  
PUBLIC  
SERVICES

PERSONS  
WITH  
DISABILITIES  
PUBLIC  
SERVICES

WITH  
EUROPEAN  
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SERVICES

SERVICES

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HOME

ABOUT

ISSUES

VOTE

COMPARATOR

RESOURCES

POLITICAL

PARTIES

The  
On  
Our  
Watch  
project  
brings  
together  
Civil  
Society  
Organisations  
working  
on  
all  
kind  
of  
topics.  
As  
representatives  
of  
and  
in  
direct  
contact  
with  
citizens,  
organisations  
have  
a  
strong  
role  
to  
play  
in  
holding  
the  
European  
Parliament  
accountable  
to  
the  
public.  
By  
joining  
forces  
in  
the  
context  
of  
the  
#EUElections2019

(23-  
26  
May),  
On  
Our  
Watch  
offers  
a  
comprehensive  
overview  
of  
the  
key  
issues  
that  
European  
citizens  
care  
about.

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