

# 70 Years of Human Rights – Leave No One Behind

2030 Agenda for Sustainable  
Development and the role of  
equality bodies

11 December 2018  
4.30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
House of the European Union  
Wipplingerstraße 35  
1010 Vienna



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### 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the role of equality bodies

On the occasion of an EQUINET board meeting in Vienna, the Austrian Ombud for Equal Treatment is hosting a side-event in the House of the European Union to discuss the links between the UN-Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and equality bodies.

Equality bodies have been established by the European Union to fight against discrimination and to promote equality. Doing so, they contribute to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and take an active part in the implementation as well as the monitoring of the SDG. Equality bodies work on eliminating social inequalities and are especially contributing to establishing and strengthening gender equality. Equality bodies ensure the access to justice for victims of discrimination. In supporting equality and inclusion in employment and occupation as well as in the access to and supply of goods and services, equality bodies also contribute to poverty reduction. In order to adequately fulfill this role, equality bodies have to be organised according to necessary standards with regards to their independence and effectiveness. Both the European Commission as well as the Council of Europe have already made recommendations in this matter.

The event will be in both English and German.

**Please register for the event: [gaw@bka.at](mailto:gaw@bka.at)**

If you need translation for sign language, please let us know!

## Programme

**4.30 p.m. – 5 p.m.** Registration

**Introduction** Wolfgang Bogensberger, Deputy Head of the Representation of the European Commission in Austria

**Welcoming words (video message)**

President Alexander Van der Bellen

Minister for families, youth and women Juliane Bogner-Strauß

**Keynote:** Sustainable Development Goals and Equality Bodies

Claude Cahn, Human Rights Officer, UN Human Rights Office for Europe

**Standards für Equality Bodies**

Tena Šimonović Einwalter, Deputy Ombudswoman Croatia,

Chair of Executive Board, EQUINET

**Leave no one behind: driving policies through data and human rights based approach**

Massimo Toschi, International Relations Officer – SDGs Coordinator,

Institutional Cooperation & Networks Unit, EU Agency for Fundamental Rights

**Panel discussion**

Hans-Jörg Hofer, Disability Ombudsman

Isolde Kafka, antidiscrimination delegate for the State of Tyrol

Sandra Konstatzky, head of the Ombud for Equal Treatment

Moderation and translation: Katrin Wladasch

Following the discussion, the Ombud for Equal Treatment is pleased to invite the participants to a buffet and drinks.

**9 p.m.** end of the event

