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A Digital Hub on Gender,
the COVID-19 Crisis and its Aftermath

Between two pandemics: Day 2

Policy impacts of COVID on GBV

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Στην πρίζα

Conventions and rights

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women CEDAW 1979

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CEDAW.aspx>

Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women 1993

https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/atrocities-crimes/Doc.21_declaration%20elimination%20vaw.pdf

Istanbul convention <https://www.coe.int/en/web/istanbul-convention/home?>

SDG <https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

Short group activity

- In groups of 5 (I will split you up in a moment) (You will have 20 minutes to discuss).
- Discuss the policy or convention you reviewed last night/this morning
- What were the most important things you noticed?
- What were some of the things you felt could have been discussed?
- As a group select a. A spokesperson, b. 3 points you thought were most important.

Let's talk about COVID-19

- New unknown threat to health and well-being
- Highly contagious
- Quick to mutate
- Unknown impacts on health, economies, welfare

Governmental responses

- Shut downs of:
 - Businesses
 - Schools
 - Governmental offices

Types of GBV

- Physical
- Sexual
- Psychological/Emotional
- Economic/Financial

<https://eige.europa.eu/gender-based-violence/forms-of-violence>

What do we know

- Reported cases GBV have increased
 - 30% in France,
 - 25% in Argentina,
 - 30% in Cyprus,
 - 33% in Singapore
- Calls to helplines have increased globally
- Reduction of available funds

Increased risk factors: what might they be?

- Lock down
- Economic uncertainty
- Loss of income/work
- Limited access to services
- Limited access to information
- In accessing services
- School closings/Increased caregiving
- Forced marriages
- Decrease in funding for prevention

Impact on Gender equakity

- <https://eige.europa.eu/topics/health/covid-19-and-gender-equality>

For session 3: working session

- [https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/GBV and COVID Policy Brief FINAL.pdf](https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/GBV_and_COVID_Policy_Brief_FINAL.pdf)
- [file:///C:/Users/brynhall/AppData/Local/Temp/undp-gender-GBV and COVID-19.pdf](file:///C:/Users/brynhall/AppData/Local/Temp/undp-gender-GBV_and_COVID-19.pdf)
- https://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/Women/COVID-19_and_Womens_Human_Rights.pdf