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PORTUGUESE PLATFORM FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS

About us

The Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights (PpDM) is a social, cultural, and humanist non-governmental organisation, independent from political parties, religious institutions or governmental structures, whose members are women's rights NGOs and associations promoting equality between women and men. It was created on November 2004 and its main objective is to foster cooperation for collective reflection and action in the promotion of women's human rights and gender equality through several means, such as research, lobbying, dissemination of information, awareness-raising and training.

The Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights (PpDM), as an umbrella organisation, contributes to the empowerment, articulation, and mobilisation of Portuguese Women's Rights NGOs and to the reinforcement of its networking and cooperation relations with European, Mediterranean, Portuguese Speaking Countries, and International NGOs working in this field, to strengthen and support these NGOs' important social role as actors in the process of implementation of gender equality. The Platform also aims to contribute to the implementation of gender mainstreaming in all areas of society.

The Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights represents Portugal in the European Women's Lobby (EWL) and in the Association of Women from Meridional Europe (AFEM), and it is a member of the Euro-Mediterranean Women's Foundation (FFEM). The Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights is a member of the EU Civil Society Platform against trafficking in human beings and has Consultative Status by the UN ECOSOC.

The Portuguese Platform for Women's Rights runs a House of Associations in Lisbon "Centro Maria Alzira Lemos | Casa das Associações". It has currently 25 member organisations dealing with women in their diversity.

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Activities Plan 2017

Summary in English

The plan of activities for 2017 was based on the results of a strategy workshop held at the end of 2014¹, the activities undertaken in 2015 and 2016, the needs expressed by the member organizations undergoing auscultation prior to the plan, and the foreseen national, European, and international context during the year 2017. In this context, the plan of activities for 2017 is based on:

5 Strategic Axes:

- 1. Organizacional strengthening:
 - a. Capacity-building and articulation of PpDM and its members;
 - b. Territorial outreach of PpDM's activities;
 - c. Mobilization of PpDM and its members;
- 2. Monitoring of national, European, and international public commitments and policies;
- 3. Production of feminist knowledge;
- 4. Equality for all: multiple and intersecting discriminations of women;
- 5. Internal and external communication.

and 3 Strategic Objectives:

1. Strengthening the institutional capacity of PpDM;

2. Strengthening the combat to the several forms of violence against women;

3. Strengthening the thinking on feminist economics.

http://plataformamulheres.org.pt/wp-

¹ The workshop results are available only in Portuguese: content/ficheiros/2015/12/PpDM-Resultados workshop 6 Dez2014.pdf

Monitoring of national, European, and international public commitments and policies

- Monitoring of legislation: advocacy & lobbying;
- Monitoring the development and implementation of policy measures: advocacy & lobbying.

Production of feminist knowledge

- Production of monitoring reports on public policies;
- Awareness raising and trainings online and blearning using the Moodle platform;
- Update of online and physical resources at the Centre Maria Alzira Lemos | House of Associations:
- Continuous improvement of the conditions provided by the House;
- Promotion of activities in the House by the members

Organizational Strengthening

- Capacity-building and articulation of PpDM and its members;
- Territorial outreach of PpDM's activities;
- Mobilization of PpDM and its members;
- Sustainability of PpDM: Formal institutional recognition by a law & Feminist Hostel

Internal and external communication

- Improve internal communication by creating spaces of communication around working groups;
- Constant updating of the webpage, Twitter, and Facebook;
- Reinforcement of the communication policy with the media;
- Monthly newsletter

Actions arising from being the national coordination of EWL and AFEM, from being a member of the Euro-Mediterranean Women's Foundation, of the European Civil Society Platform against Trafficking in Human Beings and holding UN ECOSOC Special Consultative Status

Some thematic key areas in 2017

CEDAW4ALL

Violence against
women,
particularly:
Prostitution;
sexual violence;
obstetric violence;
parental alienation
syndrome.
Feminist
economics.
Women, cities,
and territories.
Women in power
at local level

Equality for all: women's intersecting multiple discriminations

- Participation in the National Commission for Human Rights and in the Civil Society Forum to foster dialogue and joint work, systematically integrating the gender equality dimension;
- Strengthening the relations with other sectors of the Portuguese civil society by systematically integrating the gender equality dimension.

Strategic Axes and Activities: tentative timetable (per quarter)

	Strategic Axes	Activities	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.	Organizational	Statute of public utility	Χ			П
	reinforcement for the	Accreditation as a training entity	Χ	Χ		
	intervention on women's human rights and the promotion of gender equality	Formal recognition of the institutional interlocutory role of PpDM by means of a law or bill like other civil society platforms e.g. National Youth Council			Х	Х
		Increase the territorial outreach of PpDM in the defense of women's human rights and the promotion of gender equality	X	X	X	Х
		Strengthening the role of the Technical Support Office (GAT) in identifying and disseminating funding opportunities	X	Х	X	Х
		Feminist Hostel	Χ	Х	Χ	Х
		General Assembly	Х			Х
2.	Monitoring public policies at the national,	Public positions on issues on the national, European, and international agendas	Х	Х	Х	Х
	European, and	Participation in work meetings	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
	international levels	Monitoring reports of government commitments in different areas, e.g. Convention on the Rights of the Child, Istanbul Convention, and CEDAW	X			X
3.	Production of feminist knowledge	Trainings using the Resource and Digital Knowledge Center Maria Alzira Lemos		Х	Х	Х
		Activities at the national level within the scope of EWL's Observatory on Violence Against Women		Х	Х	X
		Propose to the subcommittee on equality and against discrimination of the Parliament a training package using PpDM's CEDAW4ALL	X	Х		

	Training Kit				
	Cataloging and updating of the resources	Χ	Χ	Х	Х
	available at the Centre Maria Alzira Lemos				
	5 Information/campaign actions within the	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
	scope of the "Feminisms in the Center				
	Region" project related to different themes				
	5 Brochures within the scope of the	Х	Х	Х	Х
	"Feminisms in the Center Region" related to				
	different themes				
4. Equality for all:	Participation in work meetings	Х	Х	Х	Х
intersecting multiple	Women's Meeting - 25 years of the			Χ	
discriminations of women	Association of Women Against Violence				
	61CSW & side event on women's economic	Χ			
	empowerment in Lusophone countries				
	Roma girls and women - follow-up <i>Opré</i>			Χ	Χ
	Refugee women: to know the reality and		Χ		
	design a pilot project in support services				
5. Internal and external	Participation in the definition and	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
communication	transposition to Portugal of EWL's and				
	AFEM's projects and campaigns				
	Continuation of the participation on EWL's	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х
	task force on Southern European countries				
	and on its project on women, cities, and				
	territories				
	Empowering Women in the 21st Century	Х			
	Public presentation of the Civil Society SDG's	Χ	Χ		
	implementation Plan				
	CEDAW4ALL Information Kit dissemination	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х
	Continuation of the dissemination of the	Χ			
	CEDAW Committee's Concluding Observations				
	to Portugal				
	Provide a profile of the members and PpDM's	Χ	Χ		
	leaders over the years on PpDM's web page				
	AFEM's General Assembly	Х			

E	EWL's General Assembly and Board Meeting		Х		
	Conference on sexual violence				Х
	Continuous update of PpDM's webpage	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Continuous update of PpDM's Facebook e	Х	Х	Х	Χ
1	Twitter				
F	Promote the exchange of information	Х			Х
l t	between member organizations and PpDM				
r	regarding the various ongoing projects and				
a	activities				
	Keep permanent contact with the media	Х	Х	Х	Х