2024 IN REVIEW: EPF'S ANNUAL REPORT

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Foreword

As we present the European Parliamentary Forum for Sexual and Reproductive Rights (EPF) Annual Report for 2024, we reflect with pride, urgency, and renewed determination on a year marked by historic progress, continued commitment, and the power of parliamentary action to advance sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) worldwide.

In a time of growing political polarisation, coordinated attacks on gender equality, and increasing threats to fundamental rights, EPF has remained a beacon of evidence-based advocacy and international solidarity. The accomplishments highlighted in the following pages are not only a testament to our members' dedication but also a reaffirmation of the crucial role parliamentarians play in shaping inclusive, rights-based policy and legislation.

This year, EPF supported and celebrated major milestones. In Oslo, over 170 parliamentarians from 112 countries gathered for the eighth International Parliamentarians' Conference on the Implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action (IPCI/ICPD). The resulting Oslo Statement of Commitment reaffirmed the ICPD's vision and called on policy-makers to be bold in defending the rights of women and girls worldwide.

A defining moment came on 8 March, when France became the first country in the world to enshrine the right to abortion in its constitution. This historic victory was the result of tireless parliamentary leadership, including that of EPF President Guillaume Gouffier Valente, whose parliamentary advocacy helped bring this fundamental right into the heart of French constitutional law. His efforts serve as a model for leaders committed to protecting reproductive autonomy in their own countries.

In the same spirit, we celebrated the appointment of EPF ally and human rights defender, Dr. Harini Amarasuriya, as Sri Lanka's Prime Minister, a powerful symbol of women's leadership and a hopeful sign of progress for SRHR in South Asia and beyond.

We were also humbled by the recognition of EPF's work when the French Senate awarded the Women's Rights Delegation Prize to Neil Datta, acknowledging two decades of research and advocacy against the global anti-gender movement.

Throughout 2024, EPF parliamentarians engaged in over 70 events across 26 countries, forging partnerships, shaping policy, and standing firm in the belief that health and human rights are inseparable. Through our initiatives, including the Global Parliamentary Alliance for Health, Rights and Development, and our research, we are building coalitions that empower legislators worldwide to deliver on the SDGs and other international frameworks of action.

We are grateful to our parliamentary members, partners, and donors for their dedication and support. As we move forward, EPF remains committed to providing parliamentarians with the necessary tools, knowledge, and support needed to protect and advance SRHR, both now and for future generations.



Hon. Guillaume Gouffier ValentePresident



Neil DattaExecutive Director

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Introduction

The European Parliamentary Forum for Sexual and Reproductive Rights is a network of parliamentarians throughout Europe who are committed to protecting the sexual and reproductive rights of all people around the world.

The following pages present a comprehensive overview of EPF's work in 2024, highlighting the progress driven by our parliamentarians. EPF's 2024 Annual Report showcases the accomplishments of our parliamentarians in both national parliaments and the European Parliament, highlighting their contributions to important SRHR advancements and initiatives. We will also highlight the key activities and initiatives carried out by EPF throughout the year, including policy work, advocacy efforts, and research.

EPF is a long-established voice in the world of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) that partners with all-party parliamentary groups (APPGs), parliamentarians, donors, and other institutions to achieve its goals and advocate for SRHR around Europe and beyond.

EPF is led and represented by our President who chairs an Executive Committee consisting of 11 Members of Parliament. Our members are served by a Brussels-based secretariat with expertise in SRHR, advocacy, EU policy, communications, and finance.

With the establishment of the Global Parliamentary Alliance for Health, Rights and Development (GPA), an EPF initiative, the aim is to boost parliamentarians' efforts to deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the areas of health and human rights. GPA is a platform for parliamentarians from around the world to advocate for better health care, expanding human rights both in their home countries and abroad.

2024 in a nutshell

International Parliamentarians' Conference on the Implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action (IPCI)

Over 170 parliamentarians from 112 countries

participated in the eighth international conference for parliamentarians in Oslo, marking the thirtieth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) in Cairo. Approximately 300 participants attended the event, including parliamentarians from all regions of the world and representatives from the national, regional, and global parliamentary groups and NGOs. As a result of the conference, parliamentarians issued a forward-looking, inclusive declaration reaffirming their

commitment to upholding universal sexual and reproductive health and rights: **the Oslo Statement of Commitment**. In this declaration, parliamentarians recognised the ICPD Programme of Action as "a beacon of hope" and celebrated the progress that has been made for women and girls in the three decades since it was adopted. However, they also pointed out that crises and polarisation are shaking the world and require them to set out an ambitious vision for the future they want to help create in their legislatures.











September's elections saw EPF ally and former MP **Dr Harini Amarasuriya** sworn in as Sri Lanka's 16th Prime Minister. Last April, she contributed to IPCI Oslo and served on the Oslo Statement of Commitment drafting committee. As Sri Lanka's third female Prime Minister, Amarasuriya's appointment marks a historic milestone for Sri Lanka, underscoring a promising future for women's rights and political leadership in the region.

I am the Norwegian parliament's youngest politician, and I was not yet born when the Cairo conference occurred. A lot has happened since then, and we have made great progress in the field of SRHR. Nevertheless, we have a long way to go before everyone has access to sexual and reproductive health and rights. When I see how many of you have chosen to come to IPCI 2024 Oslo, I am positive, and I look forward to the future we will create together."

Åse Kristin Ask Bakke (MP, Chair of the Norwegian All-Party Parliamentary Group on SRHR)





Constitutionalisation of Abortion in France

On International Women's Day 2024, France enshrined abortion rights in its constitution, making history by becoming the first country in the world to explicitly protect the right to termination of pregnancy in its constitution. Lawmakers voted overwhelmingly - 780 to 72 - to amend the 1958 constitution to guarantee women's right to access abortion. The involvement of EPF President Hon. Guillaume Gouffier Valente (MP, France) was instrumental in making this historic change possible. A committed member of the Women's Rights Committee (Délégation de l'Assemblée nationale aux droits des femmes) in the French National Assembly, Hon. Gouffier Valente worked tirelessly with the other Members of the Committee to ensure that abortion rights were explicitly enshrined in the Constitution. He consistently warned against complacency and countered arguments that abortion rights in France were already secure and constitutionally protected. Gouffier Valente stressed the importance of recognising voluntary abortion as a fundamental right and highlighted the ongoing challenges faced by women seeking abortion. His efforts not only reinforced the urgency of constitutional protection but also paved the way for important recommendations to address the difficulties faced by women who choose to terminate a pregnancy.

On 22 October 2024, **Neil Datta** was awarded the prestigious **Women's Rights Delegation Prize** at the French Senate. The award event, chaired by **Hon. Dominique Vérien**, President of the Senate Women's Rights Delegation, celebrated the invaluable contributions of individuals and organisations committed to advancing women's rights and gender equality. The French Senate, where EPF was founded twenty years ago, recognised Neil Datta's commitment to defending abortion rights and researching anti-gender



Engagements and Events

EPF parliamentary delegations engage in events, conferences, and meetings with EU governments, UN agencies, NGOs, and partners throughout Europe and beyond. In 2024, EPF parliamentarians travelled to **26 countries** to attend more than **70 events**. More than 200 MPs from all over the world participated in our events.

Argentina (1) Mexico (1) Peru (1) **USA**(3) Iceland (1) Bangladesh (1) Thailand (1) Norway (3 Egypt (2) Sweden Gambia (1) Denmark (2) Kenya (2) Kuwait (1) Netherlands (1) Saudi Arabia (1) Poland (3) **UAE** (1) ermany (2) Austria (1) Switzerland (4) Croatia (Portugal (1) Spain (4)



Advancing the Legislative Agenda for SRHR

In the European Parliament



EPF provides the Secretariat with a working group with the European Parliament called MEPs for Sexual and Reproductive Rights (MEPs for SRR). Following the European

Parliament elections in June 2024, the group was reestablished and currently includes more than **30 MEPs as members**. Vice-President of EPF and a long-time champion of women's rights, **Hon. Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (MEP, Poland)**, was elected to the European Parliament with the Socialists and

Democrats and is now a member of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality. MEP Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus' participation in the MEPs for SRR group will ensure continued progress towards more equitable access to SRHR in both Western and Eastern European countries.

If we are serious about achieving equality and protecting the future of young people and women, we must ensure that they are not denied access to accurate and comprehensive information about contraception and reproductive health services because of where they live or what language they speak."

Lina Gálvez MEP (Spain, S&D)

Since the beginning of the new mandate, MEPs and assistants have participated in several awareness-raising activities, including extensive training on SRHR and anti-gender movements and events in the European Parliament. EPF presented updated research on different components of SRHR and engaged EU officials in discussions and future actions.



- Resolution of the European Parliament of 11 April 2024 on including the right to abortion in the EU Fundamental Rights Charter. The resolution urges to include the right to safe and legal abortion to the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.
- Directive (EU) 2024/1385 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 on combating violence against women and domestic violence.
 The directive is the first ever EU regulation to combat violence against women, calling for the prevention of rape and a better understanding of consent, banning female genital mutilation and forced marriage, and setting out specific guidelines for offences committed online, such as the disclosure of private information and cyber flashing.
- European Parliament recommendation of 19
 December 2024 to the Council concerning the EU priorities for the 69th session of the UN Commission



on the Status of Women (2024/2057(INI)). The recommendation strongly advocates for sexual and reproductive health and rights as fundamental rights and against anti-choice networks, and calls for the removal of legal, financial, social and practical barriers and restrictions to access to safe and legal abortion worldwide.



• In October 2024, MEPs for SRR asked vital questions on SRHR during the Confirmation Hearings of Commissioner-designates Hadja Lahbib, Commissioner for Equality, Preparedness and Humanitarian Response, Jozef Síkela, Commissioner for International Partnerships, and Olivér Várhelyi, Commissioner for Health and Animal Welfare: MEPs Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D), Abir Al-Sahlani (Renew Europe), Melissa Camara (Greens/EFA), Marit Maij (S&D), Charles Goerens (Renew Europe): on commitment to SRHR both in the EU and globally; on gender mainstreaming; on including the right to abortion in the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and access to abortion



- In April 2024, Question for written Answer to the Commission: MEP Malin Björk (The Left) on ensuring full and universal access to sexual and reproductive health services for Ukrainian refugees across all Member States.
- In December 2024, Question for oral answer to the Council: MEP Lina Gálvez (S&D) on behalf of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM), on the EU's priorities for the 69th session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women.
- In December 2024, Question for written
 Answer to the Commission: MEPs Joanna
 Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D), Krzysztof Śmiszek
 (S&D), Lucia Yar (Renew), Maria Noichl (S&D),
 Hanna Gedin (The Left) on EU funding for the international anti-abortion organisation
 World Youth Alliance 2013-2024.

Main EPF events hosted by MEPs for SRR at the European Parliament:

- European Contraception
 Policy Atlas 2024, hosted
 by MEP Karen Melchior
 (Renew Europe, Denmark),
 14 February 2024
- Lunch Reception for MEPs for SRR parliamentary group, hosted by MEP Predrag Fred Matić (S&D, Poland), 19 March 2024
- Presentation of the book
 "The Christian Right in Europe",
 hosted by MEP Sophie in't
 Veld (Renew Europe,
 Netherlands), 4 April 2024
- Opening event for the parliamentary group MEPs for SRR, hosted by MEP Lina Gálvez (S&D, Spain), MEP Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D, Poland), Abir Al-Sahlani (Renew Europe, Sweden), 25 September 2024
- SRHR training for MEPs
 Assistants and Policy Advisors,
 co-organised with DSW
 and IPPF EN, hosted by
 MEP Erik Marquardt
 (Greens/EFA, Germany),
 26 September 2024

- European Week of Action for Girls at the EP, hosted by S&D Political Group, 16 October 2024
- Workshop on Anti-gender for MEPs (Strasbourg), hosted by MEP Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D, Poland), 23 October 2024
- Exhibition Pop-up MusEUm, co-organised with DSW and IPPF EN, hosted by Mélissa Camara (Greens/EFA, France), 19 November 2024
- Launch of the SRHR Donor

 Funding Atlas 2024: Mapping
 Global Funding for Sexual and
 Reproductive Health and Rights,
 hosted by MEP Marit Maij
 (S&D, Netherlands),

 20 November 2024
- European Atlas of Fertility
 Treatment Policies event,
 co-hosted by MEP Merja
 Kyllönen (The Left, Finland)
 and MEP Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D, Poland),
 3 December 2024

In the Council of Europe



With its Participatory Status at the Council of Europe, EPF works to raise awareness and support parliamentarians regarding SRHR and achieving gender equality as an integral part of human rights. EPF participated in all four sessions of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE). **PACE** is one of the two statutory organs of the Council of Europe. It comprises 324 parliamentarians from the national parliaments of the Council of Europe's 46 member states and generally meets 4 times a year in Strasbourg. General committees prepare the reports and follow the state of human rights, democracy and the rule of law. EPF is strengthening engagement with PACE's Equality Committee and individual MPs to maintain momentum for SRHR motions and resolutions while closely monitoring developments related to motions opposing SRHR and other antigender initiatives.

SRHR Advancement at PACE:

EPF former President, Hon. Petra Bayr (MP, Austria), made significant contributions to women's rights and sexual and reproductive health and rights within the Council of Europe. In 2024, she authored the report Protecting Women Human Rights Defenders and People Who Defend Women's Rights in Europe, which was subsequently adopted by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe as Resolution in June 2024. This resolution strongly condemned the frequent attacks against women's



human rights defenders and called for an end to impunity for perpetrators of such violence. Bayr's report emphasised the importance of safeguarding these defenders through practical actions, including introducing policies on equal treatment, anti-discrimination, SRHR, sexual orientation, gender identity, and combating gender-based violence.

New Gender Equality Strategy (2024-2029): The strategy, adopted on 6 March, builds on the Council of Europe's extensive legal and policy acquis on gender equality. A strategic objective is that Member States should ensure that all women and girls, men and boys have effective access to sexual and reproductive health and rights (as reflected in laws, policies and practices) and to affordable, equitable and quality health services in general.

HPV Prevention Policy Atlas: More than 50 Members of Parliament in PACE's June session in Tirana (Albania) attended the EPF presentation on the key findings of the HPV Prevention Policy Atlas 2024.

Building Support for SRHR and ODA

Study tour on access to SRHR services, comprehensive sexuality education (CSE), and the fight to eradicate female genital mutilation (FGM) and early marriage





From 6 to 12 July, Hon. Oihana Etxebarrieta Legrand (MP, Basque Country), Hon. Henrike Brandstoetter (MP, Austria), Hon. Sibylle Hamann (MP, Austria) and Hon. Kamzy Gunaratnam (MP, **Norway)** visited Kenya to participate in the study tour hosted by the Reproductive Health Network Kenya (RHNK). During the visit, the delegation learned about the country's challenges in terms of access to SRHR services, access to comprehensive sexuality education (CSE), and the fight to eradicate female genital mutilation (FGM) and early marriage. The parliamentarians held fruitful discussions and meetings with various stakeholders, including local politicians and ministries of health, health professionals, representatives of UN agencies and other local NGOs. As a result of the tour, the delegation co-signed a Statement for the Promotion of SRHR Policy and Implementation in Kenya, committing to champion these issues in their respective legislative bodies and to work together towards effective solutions.



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There is a sense that while Kenya continues to sign and commit to various international commitments on women's rights and development, it does little to practice what it has signed up to. However, organisations such as RHNK are actively trying to fulfil these commitments by providing SRHR services to the most vulnerable population, building bridges between public health and feminist organisations, social-private clinics and women's groups to provide what is not yet offered in the public system."

Hon. Oihana Etxebarrieta Legrand (MP, Spain, Basque Country)



SRHR Donor Funding Atlas 2024



European Parliament, Brussels (Belgium)



The SRHR Donor Funding Atlas 2024 highlights achievements and challenges in the global funding landscape for SRHR. It is designed to empower stakeholders and policymakers to drive impactful change by evaluating 32 countries using 17 weighted criteria, shedding light on achievements, gaps, and opportunities in both bilateral and multilateral funding. It identifies Norway and Germany as standout performers, excelling across all criteria and demonstrating a consistent and comprehensive approach to SRHR funding. The European Union Institutions, comprising the European Commission and the European Parliament, also perform above average, showcasing Europe's strong commitment to advancing SRHR policies and funding. During the event, MEP Hanna Gedin (The Left, Sweden) and MEP Marit Maij (S&D, Netherlands) highlighted the EU's responsibility and prerogative to lead by example and ensure that EU member states meet their commitments and fulfil their obligations.

Global Contraception Policy Atlas 2023







Rabat (Morocco)

Buenos Aires (Argentina)

The Global Contraception Policy Atlas, launched in Kigali in 2023, looked at how countries are performing on **contraception in six regions worldwide**: Latin America and the Caribbean, the Middle East and North Africa, Europe, Africa, Asia-Pacific and Oceania, Canada and Australia. In 2024, EPF presented for the first time in the regions, the **MENA Contraception Atlas** in **Rabat (Morocco)** and the **LAC Contraception Atlas** in **Buenos Aires (Argentina)**.

In addition, in 2024, EPF consolidated the Atlas research by producing two white papers detailing the progress of contraceptive policies in the MENA and LAC regions. The White Paper *Untapped Potential: Overcoming Barriers to Family Planning in the MENA Region* examines policies related to family planning access in the



The White Paper *Empowering Choices: Autonomy in Reproductive Health Decision-Making In The LAC Region* provides an in-depth analysis of the persistent barriers to contraception access in the region. It offers valuable recommendations to governments on how to break down these obstacles and ensure that modern contraceptive methods



are accessible to every woman and girl in Latin America, regardless of whether they reside in rural or urban areas. The paper was first launched in Lima (Peru) and later presented in Mexico City (Mexico).

region, offering recommendations in three key areas that warrant greater attention from policymakers: ensuring adequate funding to include contraceptives within national health services, aligning with international guidelines and protocols, and holding public health authorities accountable for providing accurate information on citizens' rights and health. Following its launch in **Riyadh**, **South Arabia**, the paper was also introduced nationally in **Kuwait**.

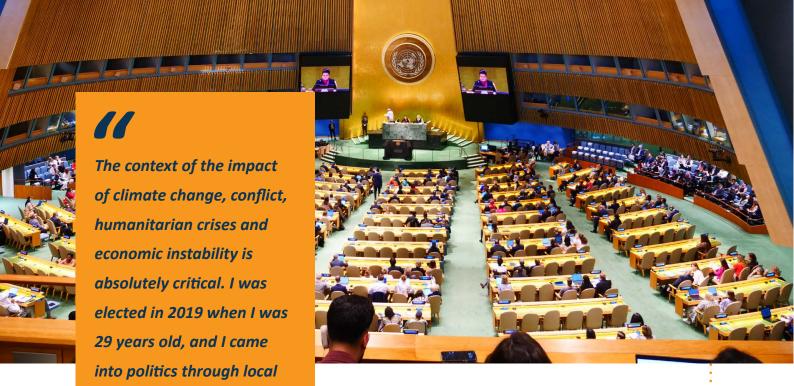
Standing up for Human Rights and Democracy

Anti-gender

 Over 20 events and invitations dedicated to increasing awareness about anti-gender movement and over 70 mentions in articles and publications on international media outlets.



- The most searched and read EPF publication is the *Tip of the Iceberg* report.
- Events on anti-gender presented in 2024:
 Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Poland,
 Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain,
 Thailand, The Netherlands and The UK.



Upholding International Commitments: ICPD30

UN Commission on Population and Development (CPD57)









government work and as a

survivor of domestic abuse.

These are really big issues,

but I think we can't afford

Hon. Apsana Begum (MP, the UK)

to be afraid of tackling

these big issues"

The EPF parliamentary delegation participated in the high-level opening of the CPD57 and to side events. Hon. Sandra Bruflot (MP, Norway), Senator Marilou McPhedran (MP, Canada), Hon. Guillaume Gouffier Valente (MP, France), and Hon. Birgitte Vind (MP, Denmark) discussed their commitment to uphold the Oslo Statement of Commitment that resulted from IPCI 2024, during the side event co-organised by EPF and UNFPA. Hon. Apsana Begum (MP, the UK) shared her perspectives during the high-level side event on SRHR and wellbeing. During a closed-door meeting, the delegation also engaged with Diene Keita, Deputy Executive Director at UNFPA.



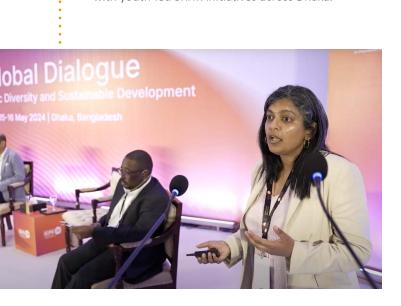
Global Dialogues UNFPA on Demographic Diversity and Sustainable Development



Dhaka (Bangladesh)



The EPF parliamentary delegation travelled to Dhaka to attend an event hosted by Bangladesh, Bulgaria, and Japan, which brought together 200 stakeholders to discuss demographic trends, gender equality, and SRHR in the post-2030 agenda. Hon. Dr. Rupa Huq (MP, UK) took part in key panels addressing low fertility, urbanisation, and climate change. During their visit, the delegation also met with the UK High Commission and BRAC Bangladesh to discuss policy and development strategies. EPF parliamentarians also participated in a one-day study tour with SERAC-Bangladesh, engaging with youth-led SRHR initiatives across Dhaka.





ICPD30 Dialogue with Young MPs





The EPF parliamentary delegation participated in the ICPD30 Strategic Dialogue with Young MPs held in Banjul, Gambia. The event brought together emerging leaders from across the world, including policymakers and activists, who shared practical experiences and innovative strategies from their respective regions. Hon. Andreas Lennkvist Manriquez (MP, Sweden) joined the conversation, highlighting that despite different backgrounds and challenges, barriers to implementing international frameworks for action are remarkably similar around the world.

Improving Health and Wellbeing in Europe

European Contraception Policy Atlas 2024







In the 7th edition of the Contraception Policy Atlas Europe, geographical disparities across Europe remain, and a visible **East-West** divide still affects the region. In 2024, the best-performing countries are Luxembourg, the United Kingdom, France and Belgium, followed by Ireland and Slovenia, where contraceptive policies have made significant progress. European countries at the bottom of the list include Poland, Hungary and Armenia. During the event, **MEP Karen Melchior (Renew, Denmark)**, **MEP Robert Biedron (S&D, Poland)** and **MEP Malin Björk (The Left, Sweden)** highlighted that access to contraception is key in achieving gender equality, by ensuring that contraception services of the highest standard are accessible in every corner of our Union, from the coasts of Portugal to the coasts of Romania and Bulgaria.



ÉDITION ANNIVERSAIRE - 50 ANS DE LA LOI VEIL 2024

European Abortion Policies Atlas – special French edition for the 50th Anniversary of Loi Veil





EPF displayed a special edition of the European Abortion Policies Atlas at the French National Assembly, ahead of the 50th anniversary of the Veil Law, which decriminalised abortion in France, the first reform of its kind in Europe. The Atlas evaluates access to safe and legal abortion across 52 countries in the European region. Significant progress has been made through legislative and policy advances (France, San Marino, Spain, and Malta), as well as improved implementation of existing rights in England, Northern Ireland, and the Isle of Man. However, access to abortion remains heavily influenced by government positions in countries like Italy and Poland. While challenges persist, overall, European policies still show efforts to expand access to abortion and safeguard reproductive rights.



European Atlas of Fertility Treatment Policies 2024







The 2024 edition of the European Atlas of Fertility Treatment Policies is a comparative map that scores 49 countries and territories on access to equal, safe and efficient fertility treatments. It spotlights significant progress in **Poland** and **Ireland** since the previous edition of 2021, where new fertility policies have been adopted. MEP Merja Kyllönen (The Left, Finland), MEP Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D, Poland) and MEP Billy Kelleher (Renew, **Ireland)** discussed the crucial role of targeted policy change and advocacy in improving access to fertility treatment for individuals and couples facing infertility challenges. The Fertility Atlas was presented for the first time at an event hosted by Hon. Petra Bayr (MP, Austria) in the Austrian Parliament in Vienna on 19 June 2024.





Check the interactive online platform

www.srhrpolicyhub.org showcasing the most updated data and the detailed country profiles!



The right to sexual and reproductive health is not a privilege, but a fundamental human right. Fertility Atlas Europe 2024 is a vital tool that brings us one step closer to understanding the barriers that people face in accessing these essential services. As we continue our work in the European Parliament, we must use this knowledge to push for policy changes that ensure equitable access to quality fertility care and education for all, regardless of where they live or their socio-economic background. Every person deserves to have control over their own body and their reproductive choices—it's time to turn this vision into reality for all Europeans."

MEP Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D, Poland).

European HPV Prevention Policy Atlas 2023

The European HPV Prevention Policy Atlas 2023 is a joint project that scores countries throughout Europe on their **HPV vaccination efforts** and cervical cancer screening policies. The Atlas reveals a very uneven picture across the European region. The best-performing countries include Denmark, Sweden, Finland, the UK, and Ireland. Countries at the bottom of the ranking are Azerbaijan and Bosnia-Herzegovina. In 2024, EPF presented the HPV Prevention Policy Atlas in 9 countries: France, Turkey, Albania and Portugal, among others. The launch of the HPV Prevention Policy Atlas at the Romanian Parliament was supported by Hon. Cătălin Teniță (MP, Romania), who played an instrumental role in advocating for the cause. Additionally. EPF President Hon. Guillaume Gouffier Valente (MP, France) hosted a presentation of the HPV Atlas at the French National Assembly to promote HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening policies.





Communications & Media

In 2024, EPF had over **150 media appearances in more than 20 countries** on media outlets such as El Pais, POLITICO, Euractiv, EuroNews, the Parliament Magazine, Le Monde, Open Democracy, Aljazeera, and Vogue, among many others. The main topics include abortion, contraception policies, HPV prevention, fertility and ODA for SRHR as well as all our anti-gender publications.

About **EPF's social media channels**, in 2024 EPF was active on Facebook, LinkedIn, X, and Instagram. All of EPF's social media platforms have an increased number of followers. On Instagram, we reached **6.4K accounts, with an increase of +88% compared to 2023. On LinkedIn, our content reached over 4k members**.



4,300

Followers on X (Twitter)



3,100

Followers on Facebook



3,100

Followers on LinkedIn



1,600

Followers on Instagram



EPF's most popular publications:





Tip of the Iceberg: Religious Extremist Funders against Human Rights for Sexuality & Reproductive Health in Europe

7,470 views



European Contraception Policy Atlas

6,280 views



European Abortion Policies Atlas

3,061 views



Governance & Management

Mobilising Parliamentarians & further sustaining a supportive MP infrastructure

EPF parliamentarians play a crucial role in advancing individuals' rights regarding SRHR by ensuring that SRHR remains a priority on the political agenda and that laws and policies are put in place to protect these rights. EPF parliamentarians are committed to ensuring that individuals have access to the information and services they need to make informed decisions about their sexual and reproductive health.



Executive Committee

Following the **Council elections** of the 18th of November 2024, EPF has been led and represented by a new President and two new Vice-Presidents, who chair an Executive Committee consisting of a total of 11 Members of Parliament.



Hon. Guillaume
Gouffier Valente, MP (France)
EPF President



Hon. Goedele Liekens, MP (Belgium) EPF Vice President



Hon. Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, MP (Poland) EPF Vice President



Hon. Henrike
Brandstötter, MP (Austria)
EPF Executive Committee Member



Baroness Lindsay
Northover (UK)

EPF Executive Committee Member



Hon. Wanda
Nowicka, MP (Poland)

EPF Executive Committee Member



Hon. Susana
Ros, MP (Spain)

EPF Executive Committee Member



Hon. Lia
Quartapelle, MP (Italy)
EPF Executive Committee Member



Hon. Arsen
Torosyan, MP (Armenia)
EPF Executive Committee Member

EPF Secretariat

Our member parliamentarians are served by a Brussels-based secretariat with **expertise on SRHR**, **advocacy**, **communications and finance**.



Neil DattaExecutive Director



Yuliya Chervona EU Policy Officer



Laura Cohen Project Officer



*Marina Davidashvili*Head of Policy and Research



Leonidas GaleridisSenior Policy and Research Officer



Adrien LégerPolicy Associate



Saskia Pfeyffer EU Policy Officer



Chiara SammitoCommunications Officer



Silvia TrainaProgramme and Finance Coordinator



Vladislav Veližanin Advocacy Associate

Members of EPF

At the national level, EPF members are organised into **All-Party Parliamentary Groups** (APPGs). All-Party Parliamentary Groups are **cross-party groups by Members of Parliament (MPs) who share a common interest in our policy area**.

EPF's membership is currently made up of 33 groups spread across Europe: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, European Parliament, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, Spain, Spain - Basque Country, Spain - Catalonia, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, UK, Ukraine.





EPF is grateful to its many partners (public and private) for their generous support of our common goals. In 2024, the **United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)** was EPF's main international public donor. From the philanthropic sector, the **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation** continues to be the largest contributor to EPF's activities. A few selected private companies, such as **Organon and MSD**, provide ongoing support for policy research and awareness-raising.

Another experienced partner in the development of EPF's activities is **Countdown 2030**, the SRHR advocacy coalition focused on Europe.

In addition, EPF wishes to recognise the very valuable and kind contributions which partner civil society organisations, academics, and think tanks make to our work as well as the many parliaments and governments which have hosted EPF events and delegations.



61% Public sector (i.e. UNFPA, WHO)

23,5% Philantropic foundations

12,5% Private sector

4% Partner projets



78% Conferences

7,8% Policy and Research

6,9% Study tours

5.7% National events

1,6% Governance (Executive Committee & Council meetings)

How is EPF budget devided?

Activities		
Advocacy	Research	Governance
Communication	Administration & Finance	Overhead



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DSW	Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung		Federation Europe
EPF	European Parliamentary Forum	LIBE	Committee on Civil Liberties,
	on Population and Development		Justice and Home Affairs
EPP	European People's Party	LGBTQI	Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender,
ENVI	Committee on Environment,		queer, and intersex.
	Public Health and Food Safety	LMIC	Low and Middle-Income County
EU	European Parliament	MFF	Multiannual Financial Framework
FGM	Female genital mutilation	MP	Member of Parliament
FEMM	Committee on Women's Rights	MEP	Member of the European Parliament
	and Gender Equality	MEPs for SRR	Members of the European Parliament
GAP III	EU Gender Action Plan III		for Sexual and Reproductive Rights
GBV	Gender-Based Violence	NGO	Non-governmental organization
GPA	Global Parliamentary Alliance	ODA	Official Development Assistance
	for Health, Rights and Development	SDG	United Nations Sustainable
HPV	Human Papilloma Virus		Development Goal, also known
ICPD	International Conference		as the "Global Goals" or
	on Population and Development,		"Agenda 2030" (2015-2030)
	Cairo, Egypt, 1994, also known as	S&D	Socialists and Democrats
	the "Cairo Consensus"	SGBV	Sexual and Gender-Based Violence
ICPD30	30th anniversary of the 1994	SRH	Sexual and Reproductive Rights
	International Conference	SRHR	Sexual and Reproductive Health
	on Population and Development		and Rights
IPCI/ICPD	International Parliamentarians'	TEI	Team Europe Initiatives
	Conference on the Implementation	UHC	Universal Health Coverage
	of the International Conference	UN	United Nations
	on Population and Development	WHO	World Health Organization
	Programme of Action		





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