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Dear Members and Friends of WWP EN,

the end of 2017 is near and new year's resolutions have been made (obviously everything will be better in 2018 ;).

But before you go into the holidays, here is the WWP December Newsletter for you to enjoy!

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### [Welcome Alessandra Pauncz](#)

**WWP is happy to welcome our new CEO - Alessandra Pauncz, PhD**



Alessandra Pauncz is no new face to WWP - as a board member and former WWP EN secretary, she has been deeply involved with the inner workings of the organisation for many years. Working in the field of domestic violence for 20 years, she covered many areas of expertise. As an advocate for victims of domestic violence as well as a shelter worker, psychologist and researcher, and through her activities in fund raising, she is knowledgeable on local, provincial, regional, national and European level. She founded and ran the first work with perpetrators centre in Italy ([CAM – Centre for abusive men](#)), and set up the National Italian Network of Work with Perpetrators (Relive). Additionally, Alessandra has published articles and books for the general public (Shifting power: Romano, 2012,; Da uomo a uomo: Erickson, 2015; Dire di no alla violenza domestica: Angeli, 2016). Two of her interviews can be found in this newsletter.

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### [16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence](#)

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Unizon candle light vigil and minute of silence

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**Unizon**

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To ring in the 16 Days of Activism, Swedish WWP EN member [Unizon](#) organized a training for journalists on the importance of language when reporting on domestic violence. Additionally, they had a leadership conference for board members and managers of Unizon's member organisations and held the above pictured candle light vigil and minute of silence honouring women victims of male violence.

From Thursday December 7 to Friday December 8 Unizon, Men for Gender Equality, the Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions, the Swedish Agency for Youth and Civil Society and Länsstyrelserna (Sweden's Regional Administrations) are holding the [2017 Violence Prevention Conference](#).

Throughout the 16 Days, Unizon's member organisations organise local events, conferences, trainings and workshops on different topics such as: violence prevention, honour-based violence, prostitution and pornography, and many more.

### **Association NAIA**

Together with young volunteers from the Targovishte region, [Association NAIA](#), is organizing various initiatives among children, teenagers, representatives of institutions and within communities.

Volunteer students have prepared special class breaks at school, corners with information material, radio broadcasts, and flashmobs. There is a student drawing competition on the topic "No to Violence" and there will be an exhibition with the received paintings at the end of the campaign.

On December 6, coinciding with the White Ribbon Campaign, the volunteers will put white ribbons on their male peers, teachers and representatives of different institutions, as a symbol against gender-based violence.

These are only two of many examples of our members getting involved in advocacy and consciousness raising!

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### **Other Activities**

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#### **MVU**

The Swedish organisation [Mottagningen mot våld i nära relationer i Uppsala \(MVU\)](#), currently applying to be a full member of WWP EN, is deeply involved in local politics. Uppsala made the decision to finance MVU for 2018-2020 substantially, a topic on which there will be an interview in a local newspaper next week.

Before Christmas MVU will host a meeting for the focus group on strategic planning for the county, where they plan on playing an important roll.

And finally, for February 2018 they are planning an open house for politicians, professionals and media with information on the tasks for the next three years.

For more information, keep an eye on the next newsletters and our [Facebook page](#)

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## **Study Visit**

This year's study visit in Bulgaria was a great success and everybody involved was delighted by the experience. Accordingly, it is a true pleasure for us to announce that WWP EN member [Association for Men's and Gender Issues \(AMGI\)](#) has agreed to host next year's study visit in Graz, Austria!

For further information, keep an eye on our [website](#) or our [Facebook page](#)

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## **Social Media News**

**What has WWP been up to on the social networks?**

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### **Facebook**

We have increased our presence on Facebook and use the platform to disseminate interesting articles, publications and event information pertinent to perpetrator work and gender-based violence. We are always interested in spreading information about your (organisation's) activities, simply send an email to [anna.mckenzie\(at\)work-with-perpetrators.eu](mailto:anna.mckenzie(at)work-with-perpetrators.eu). If you don't follow our page yet, feel free to take a moment and do so - the link is at the end of the newsletter.

### **Twitter**

WWP EN is the proud owner of a brand new Twitter account. Find us on [Twitter](#) as @wwp\_en or at the end of the newsletter!

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## **Webinars**

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### **past webinars**

In November, Nina George held a webinar on the importance of integrating victim's support services into perpetrator work and Cassandra Jones spoke to us about the background of the Impact Tool Kit.

### **upcoming webinars**

On December 13, Natalia Batenkova and Meghan Donevan will give a webinar on the following topic: "If Pornography is Sex Education, What Does it Teach?"

Also in December, date to be determined, Marianna Torrell will discuss diversity in perpetrator work and what needs to be done to reach more equality in organisations.

more information will soon follow on our [Facebook page](#) and our [website](#)

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#### **Symposium: Gender based violence and human rights - international perspectives**

December 8th

9:45-6 PM CET

Roeterseilandcomplex - CREA Muziekzaal

Nieuwe Achtergracht 170

Amsterdam

Join Rosa Freedman, Rashida Manjoo, Elizabeth Odio Benito, Renée Römken, Rosa Logar, Fleur van Leeuwen and Ineke Boerefijn, among others, to discuss the most common violations of women's human rights - violence against women.

more information [here](#)

#### **Reclaiming Digital Spaces - Fighting Cyber Violence against Women and Girls**

December 13th

1-3 PM CET

GIZ Gender Officer Dr. Angela Langenkamp invites the interested public to join discussants Nidhi Tandon, Shannon Pritchard, Poornima Meegammana, Ellie Hutchinson and Lulú V. Barrera who will talk about their projects and work.

more information [here](#)

#### **Questionnaire: Mapping Gender Training across Sectors**

online until end of December 2017

The Gender and Cultures of Equality ([GRACE](#)) Project Team have developed a questionnaire to map types of trainings, modalities and methodologies that trainers use, and the values and the principles that they apply in their work.

It takes 10-15 minutes and it will close at the end of December 2017. There are no anticipated risks from participating in this study, and all information that you provide will remain anonymous. If there is a colleague or friend that you feel might be able to contribute, feel free to forward the questionnaire to them.

find the questionnaire [here](#)

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## **Alessandra Pauncz: Interviews for the Foundation of the Board of Psychologist, Tuscany**

Interview with Marius Råkil, Executive Director of Norwegian organisation [ATV](#) and ex-WWP EN board member, on "The complexity of domestic violence".

download the interview in Italian [here](#)

Interview with Lenore Walke, the pioneering author of "The Battered Women" who first described the cycle of abuse, on "An integrated model for domestic violence".

download the interview in Italian [here](#)

## **EVAW International Expert Interview Series**

Sheriff Corey Falls and Detective Carrie Hull respond to some key questions about alternative reporting options, and explain the [You Have Options Program \(YHOP\)](#) they helped create.

watch the video [here](#)

[Dr. Marc LeBeau](#) (Quantico, Virginia) speaks on Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault and offers tips for first responders who suspect a drug-facilitated sexual assault might have occurred, along with concrete suggestions for law enforcement professionals investigating these extremely challenging cases.

watch the video [here](#)

## **UNFPA EECA Webinar: Fatherhood Programs - Good Practices from the Region**

On October 12, 2017, UNFPA Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA) Regional Office organized the webinar "Fatherhood Programs: Good Practices from the Region" within the framework of the EECA MenEngage Platform. The webinar focused on successful examples of programs that have contributed to advancing gender equality by promoting involved fatherhood in Russia and Turkey.

watch the webinar [here](#)

## **"Fathers Cup": Football Championship for Fathers and Children**

On September 30, 2017, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Georgia Country Office, the NGO We Care, and the Georgian Football Federation hosted the "Fathers Cup," a football (soccer) championship for fathers and children, as part of the country's MenCare campaign.

read the whole article [here](#)

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Enjoy the holidays and talk to you in 2018.

Best wishes,  
WWP EN

The next WWP EN newsletter will be published in Spring 2018.

**Your news is our news**

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