



Community matters!

Online Event: Stop! Community matters - empowering communities to come together to end domestic violence

21 January 2025, 14:00 - 17:00 CET

Domestic violence affects us all, and the root causes are deeply ingrained in societal structures and norms. The StoP model, first developed in Germany in 2010 and now active in many communities across Austria and Germany, shows the power of community-based approaches in addressing domestic violence where it happens: in our neighbourhoods. By empowering neighbours to recognize, speak out, and act, StoP fosters civil courage and challenges the silence that enables abuse.

This event will showcase the Stop! Community Matters project's work to:

- create a digital toolbox for practitioners and StoP activists with practical information on how to mobilise your neighbourhood,
- prepare to expand the StoP model to communities in France, Belgium, the Czech Republic, and Romania.

You will hear from Sabine Stövesand, the creator of the StoP model, as well as community activists and partners who will share their experiences in introducing the concept of StoP in their countries. Together, we will think about how community engagement can help end domestic violence and how institutions can support these initiatives.

Join us to create safe neighbourhoods for everyone!





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AGENDA

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

14:00 CET

Introduction to the StoP EU project
and institutional greetings

KEYNOTE

14:30 CET

Keynote speech by Lori Michau,
VAW Prevention Advisor and Activist

THE STOP MODEL

14:55 CET

Introduction to the StoP Model
with StoP community activists,
followed by break-out rooms

BREAK

15:25 CET

THE STOP TOOLBOX

15:40 CET

Online practical resource for
activists to engage communities

THE STOP COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

16:00 CET

Panel discussion sharing experiences
from community workshops
followed by Q & A

WHY COMMUNITY MATTERS

16:45 CET

Carol Hagemann-White

CLOSING

16:50 CET



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