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How to become a member

Women's NGOs from all over Europe are encouraged to apply to become members of the WAVE Network. For a successful application, potential members have to fulfill the following criteria:

- Feminism and a gender-specific approach should be reflected in the core aims and mission of the organisation.
- The organisation should be engaging with other WAVE members/other NGOs in the country.
- The organisation's values and opinions should align with WAVE's values and opinions.
- Only NGOs can become WAVE members.

To receive more information or apply for membership, please email the WAVE Office.




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Publications

WAVE's publications can be browsed for free in the "Library" section on the WAVE website. Publications include our biennial Country Report, policy statements, training manuals, and activity reports, among others.

Projects

WAVE is involved in a number of international projects as a dissemination partner together with WAVE members, to improve the development of services to support women survivors of violence and highlight the gaps in provision of services on a European level. The full list of ongoing WAVE projects can be found in the "Our Work" section on the WAVE website.




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WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENCE EUROPE

**FEMINIST NETWORK
PROMOTING HUMAN RIGHTS
OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN**

What is WAVE?

The WAVE Network is a European-wide network of over 150 members (women's organisations, NGO networks, and individual experts) in 46 countries, which are dedicated to preventing and tackling violence against women and girls (VAWG). Since its foundation in 1994, WAVE has been working to promote and strengthen the human rights of women and children in general, and to prevent violence against women and children in particular. WAVE's mission is to enable women and their children to live free from violence, particularly through strengthening and sustaining a European network of specialised support services, experts and survivors.

Values

Feminism, solidarity, diversity, equality, respect, transparency and human rights.

Vision

A world where all forms of discrimination and violence against women and their children have been eliminated and all women and girls are able to enjoy their human rights.

Purpose

The WAVE Network exists for the prevention and elimination of all forms of violence against women and their children, to strengthen the human rights of all women and girls and to ensure their right to access all services that help them to live their lives free from violence.

Mission

To enable all women and their children to live free from violence, particularly through strengthening and sustaining a European network of specialised support and prevention services, experts and survivors. To share expertise and experience to prevent, challenge, address and ultimately end violence against all women and their children, through a gender-sensitive and survivor-centred feminist approach.

WAVE Spring Advisory Board Meeting, Vienna, May 9 2022



WAVE's key aims

- **Advocating and lobbying** for better legislation and implementation of existing legislation to effectively prevent and protect women and girls from violence.
- Promoting the work of women's NGOs and empowering them through **capacity building** in the form of trainings and exchanges to strengthen their ability to support women survivors.
- Conducting **research and data collection** to raise awareness on violence against women and the status of women's support services and women's rights in Europe.

MAKE A DONATION!



WHY IS OUR WORK NEEDED?

1 in 3 women worldwide is affected by domestic violence and women aged 15–44 are more at risk from rape and domestic violence than from cancer, car accidents, war and malaria combined. (World Health Organisation)

1 in 3 women in Europe have experienced physical and/or sexual violence since the age of 15. That corresponds to 62 million women in Europe. (European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights)



“Fighting against gender-based violence with other women's organisations across Europe makes us feel stronger.”
Fundacion Aspacia, Spain