



Violence Against Women in European Law

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« Hard » EU Law

- TFEU: Articles 19(2), 82, 83(1), 84
- Directive 2002/73/EC (sexual harassment at work)
- Directive 2011/36/EU on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2002/629/JHA
- Directive 2011/99/EU on the European Protection Order
- Directive 2012/29/EU establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2001/220/JHA

EU Case law

- ECJ, 17 July 2008, *Coleman v. Attridge Law*, C-303/06 (AG opinion Maduro on harassment)
- CJEU, 15 September 2011, *Magatte Gueye and Valentin Salmerón Sánchez*, C-483/09 and 1/10

« Soft » EU law - policy

- *EU Guidelines on violence against women and girls and combating all forms of discrimination against them*, General Affairs Council of 8 December 2008;
- *EU Plan of Action on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Development 2010-2015*, SEC(2010) 265 final;
- External policies and *acquis communautaire*

« Soft » EU law (continued)

- Daphne Programme (Decisions n°293/2000/EC, n°803/2004/EC and n°779/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) adopting a programme of Community action on preventive measures to fight violence against children, young persons and women
- EU FRA, “Violence against women. An EU wide report”, March 2014

« Soft » EU law (continued) – European Parliament

- Resolution on the current situation in combating VAW and any future action (P6_TA(2006)0038);
- Resolution of 26 November 2009 on the elimination of violence against women (P7_TA(2009)0098)
- Resolution of 24 March 2009 on combating female mutilation in the EU (P6_TA(2009)0161)
- Resolution of 15 April 2011 on priorities on outline of a new EU policy framework to fight violence against women (A7-065/2011)
- Resolution of 25 February 2014 with recommendations to the Commission on combating Violence Against Women (P7_TA(2014)0126)

Council of Europe

- 2005 Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (CETS no. 197)
- 2011 Istanbul Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CETS no. 210)

European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) (early cases – Article 8)

- *Bevacqua and S. v. Bulgaria*, 12 June 2008, n°71127/01
- *Jankovic v. Croatia*, 5 March 2009, n°38478/05
- *A. v. Croatia*, 14 October 2010, n°55164/08

ECtHR (recent developments – Article 3 and Article 14)

- *Opuz v. Turkey*, 9 June 2009, n°33401/02
- *Valiuliene v. Lithuania*, 26 March 2013, n°33234/07
- *Eremia and Others v. Moldova*, 28 May 2013, n°3564/11
- *Mudric v. Moldova*, 16 July 2013, n°74839/10
- *B. v. Moldova*, 16 July 2013, n°61382/09
- *T.M. and C.M. v. Moldova*, 28 January 2014, n°26608/11

Further reading

- « Combatting Violence against women », European Added Value Assessment (EAVA 3/2013)
- Ruth Lamont, « Beating Domestic Violence? Assessing the EU's Contribution to Tackling Violence Against Women », *Common Market Law Review*, 2013, vol. 50, pp. 1787-1808
- Council of Europe webpage on VAW: (http://www.coe.int/t/dghl/standardsetting/convention-violence/default_en.asp)
- Steve Peers, EU Law Analysis Blog: <http://eulawanalysis.blogspot.fr/2014/03/violence-against-women-can-eu-law-play.html>