



EUROPEAN WOMEN'S
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You care for **her** future? Vote in the **2014** European elections!

Why is it important to vote? The European Union is a key player in terms of democracy and social change.

By voting at the European elections in May, you decide who represents **YOU** in the European Parliament. The candidates you choose are your supporters for the next five years. They define European politics, take on the present and shape the future of women and girls, men and boys in Europe!

The outcome of the elections will also have an impact on the face of the new European Commission which has key lawmaking powers and can make proposals towards real change for people in Europe.

“For a Europe that promotes women’s rights, solidarity, dignity, respect and equality!”

The European Union supports gender **equality** through legislative acts and support to national developments.

European laws or directives call for equal treatment on the basis of sex and include equal pay for equal work, employment rights, an end to sexual harassment at work and to discrimination in goods and services. We now have tools for the protection of women victims of violence and more participation of women in decision-making is being discussed.

The European Commission has initiated legislation and research, and supported campaigns and activities at national level.

The Women’s Rights and Gender Equality Committee of the European Parliament plays a key role by sending out strong messages which determine policies in Europe.

On 25 May, I vote.

The European Women’s Lobby calls for a strong commitment to gender equality. Read our [manifesto!](#)
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