

Most read articles in 2023

As we look back on 2023, we're sharing the most widely read articles from eeagender.org on gender-based and domestic violence. The most popular one is about a new handbook on the rights and needs of Roma women.

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The most read news articles deal with topics such as the importance of targeted measures to ensure Roma women's equal access to justice, exchange of good practices on social services for victims of violence between Norway and Romania and new research on domestic violence shelters in Norway and Slovakia.

Top five articles from 2023 are:

1. [A new handbook to include Roma women: "Nothing about us, without us"](#)

"The purpose of the handbook is to find the needs of Roma women when addressing violence against women and domestic violence, for EEA and Norway Grant programme developers and funders," says Rachel Eapen Paul, one of the authors of the handbook.

2. [Can tools from a small crisis centre in Norway improve shelters and support services in Romania?](#)

"The specific approach used with children is just one of three areas in which the Crisis Centre in Salten excels," says Monaliza Cirstea, Director of the National Agency for Equal Opportunities.

3. [New research on shelters in Norway and Slovakia](#)

"There is a lack of research on domestic violence shelters, including both their role in the support system and comparative studies between the Nordic countries and Europe in general. I would really like to see more research on this," says Solveig Bergman, project manager and senior researcher at NKVTS.

4. ["We need to listen to the voice of Roma women"](#)

"The issue of violence against Roma women should not be perceived as a 'Roma problem' or as an accepted cultural norm that goes unnoticed by the authorities," according to Aida Farkas from the Council of Europe's Anti-Discrimination Department.

5. [Icelandic family justice centre: coordinated support under one roof](#)

"One of the success criteria for Bjarkarhlíð family justice center is that it creates a welcoming and safe environment where victims of violence are met with respect and understanding," says Halldóra Dýrleif Gunnarsdóttir, chair of the board in Bjarkarhlíð.

Top three stories from 2023 are:

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1. [How to promote a culture of non-violence](#)
2. ["Women's rights are human rights"](#)
3. [Slovenia's first Barnahus](#)

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