



Co-ordination Action on Human Rights Violations/CAHRV
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Dear colleagues in gender, conflict and violence research!

This is the third issue of the newsletter from the project Co-ordination Action on Human Rights Violations (CAHRV) aiming at a broader audience. It is distributed to the European Network on Conflict, Gender and Violence.

THE CAHRV WEB-PAGE has now been updated. The main news are that the site is now multilingual (English, French, German, Polish, Spanish), and in addition to previous material made available (e.g. reports from the annual CAHRV conferences), the publication of reports from the research activities has now started. Currently a report about the justice system as an arena for the protection of human rights for women and children experiencing violence and abuse, and a report on the state of European research on the prevalence of interpersonal violence and its impact on health and human rights have been made available. Please see <http://www.cahrv.uni-osnabrueck.de/>.

UPDATE ABOUT THE EU FW 7 PROGRAMME: The preliminary draft for the 7th framework programme is in circulation, but still has to go through the Commission and Parliament. There are several points where researchers on gender, conflict and violence could link in, but there are also gaps: Gender is only mentioned in connection with lifestyles, and the courses and causes of conflict, as well as human rights issues within Europe, are not really present. The DG Research is about to begin an open consultation in the internet for researchers in the social sciences and humanities to give input into priority research areas with a EU added value. This is an opportunity for all researchers in the field of gender and human rights violations to raise your voices. Do this individually, als local sites of excellence, or as networks, however you wish, but do it! **A newsflash with the link will be sent out when it is up!**

The work programme will be written during the second half of this year and the first call for proposals is expected to appear at the end of 2006 or possibly beginning of 2007. Framework 7 will be a 7-year programme with an annual call for proposals. Further aspects: The division into different "instruments" will dissapear, so proposals can be any size from a small STREP to a large IP or in between. There will also be a new, single financing system (no more different cost models) and further simplification of bookkeeping.

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