



Women candidate support programme

Bruxelles, 31 March- 4 April

Agenda

AGENDA

Monday 31 March

Arrival of delegates

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch at LUDEN office

14:30 – 16:00 **Introduction: Who am I and why am I here?**

Each delegate has 5-7 minutes to introduce herself (how did you get involved in politics? What were the drivers? What experience did you get? What has happened that motivated you? What, if any, barriers you have faced as woman in developing your political career?)

16:00 Break for tea/coffee

16:30 – 18:00 Session by Haroon Saad, LUDEN Director

Overview of the programme

Overview of EU institutions

Challenges and issues facing Europe

18:00 Aperitif at LUDEN office

19:30 dinner at Divino Restaurant

Tuesday 1 April

Venue: LUDEN Office

09:00 – 18:30

Coaching /training session based on the Inspire and Equip modules, by Niamh Gallagher and Michelle O'Donnell Keating, Women for Election



13:00 Lunch at LUDEN office

Session two by Niamh Gallagher and Michelle O'Donnell Keating, Women for Election

20:00 Dinner at Ethiopian Restaurant

Wednesday 2 April

08:30 Depart from hotel to European Parliament

09:30-11:00 visit to European Parliament (general presentation on the role and activities of the European Parliament followed by a question-answer session).

Coffee break

Visit to the Parliamentarium

13:30 Lunch at LUDEN office

14:30 – 18:00

Session with Niamh Gallagher, Women for Election

20:00 Dinner at Soul restaurant

Thursday 3 April

09:15 Depart from hotel to European Parliament

10.30-12.00 visit to the European Parliament. Speed dating with MEP Diane Dodds (Democratic Unionist Party, Northern Ireland)

12:00 – 12:40 access to the plenary viewing gallery

13:00 Lunch at restaurant Horloge du Sud

14:30 – 18:00 Speed dating session at Radisson Hotel

Invited MEPs will give a 15-20 minutes input in which they

1. Outline how they got involved in politics (what was their motivation)



2. What, if any, barriers they have faced as women in developing your political career
3. What areas of interest they cover in the EP
4. What advice, tips they you would give to the women in progressing their ambitions.

After the initial 20 minute input there would 25 minutes for Q& A from the group.

MEPs who have confirmed their participation:

14:30 – 15:15 Ms Parvanova (Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe, member Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, rapporteur on “Combating violence against women”)

15 :15 – 15 :30 5 minutes with *Nathalie Griesbeck*, Député Européen ADLE-MoDem / France-Grand Est tbc

15 :30 – 16 :15 BRZOBOHATÁ Zuzana, Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament , Czech Republic, member Committee on Budgets

16.30 - 17.15 Ms Mariya Gabriel, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Member Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, Committee on Petitions. Substitute Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

17:15 – 18:00 evaluation part I – feedback from participants

20:00 Dinner at soul Restaurant

Friday 4 April

09:00 – 12: 30 Facebook and twitter as tools for successful campaigning: “hands on” session, Emilie Smet EmerAgency , Graphisme - Logo - Event - Design - Web

- How to create a page, a group a profile on facebook and an account of twitter
- How to personalize your account
- How to communicate on facebook and twitter (what to write, when)
- How to find people that do things like you do. Search engines
- How to use smartphones
- How to evaluate the success of your campaign (statistics tool on Facebook)

12:30 – 13:00 evaluation – conclusions and next steps

13:00 Lunch at LUDEN office

Departures of delegates