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Seminar on Women, Violence & The Media

The European Commission will highlight the topic of “Women, Violence & The Media” at a seminar organised by the EU Infopoint in cooperation with the Cyprus Turkish Journalists Association on Monday 15 January 2018 from 18:00 to 19:30. The seminar will host a keynote speaker, Ms. Çiçek Tahaoğlu, the Bianet Women and LGBTI News Editor.

The event aims to bring together journalists, media specialists, and practitioners in the field to explore and generate a discussion on women, violence and the media. Ms. Çiçek Tahaoğlu will share her experiences and insights and provide recommendations. The news media has the ability to either empower or disempower the subjects of its stories by the way it frames the narrative of the written word.

Violence against women and girls is a serious problem of global scale and proportions. One in three women in the EU has experienced physical and/or sexual violence since the age of 15; 75 % of women in a professional job or in top management have experienced sexual harassment.

Background:

Violence against women is a brutal manifestation of gender inequality and a violation of human rights. One in three women (33 %) in the EU has experienced physical or sexual violence, or both since she was 15 years old.

Women and girls who are victims of violence need appropriate support and protection, which is reinforced by effective and deterrent laws. More information on the EU policy can be found at: http://ec.europa.eu/justice/gender-equality/gender-violence/index_en.htm, http://ec.europa.eu/justice/gender-equality/link/index_en.htm

Ms. Çiçek Tahaoğlu:

Ms. Tahaoğlu graduated from the Department of Sociology at Université Marc Bloch and worked as a fixer and a translator at Ajans France Presse from 2009 to 2011. She was the programmer of “Cadı Postası” at Open Radio with journalist Burcu Karakaş. Ms. Tahaoğlu received the Musharraf Hekimoğlu Achievement Award in 2015. She has been working as a women’s and LGBTI news editor at Bianet since 2011.

Interested individuals can get more information on this event on the EU Infopoint Facebook page [f/abbilgi](https://www.facebook.com/abbilgi) or by contacting the EU Infopoint: info@abbilgi.eu, 228 2577 and 11A Hasene Ilgaz Street, Köşklüçiftlik Nicosia.

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