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Implementation of Gender Equality Strategies

We continue to present the activities in project partner countries related to the gender equality strategy implementation. We invite you to get acquainted with the events held in Greece and Spain.

Spain

Women and power: participative event around the play "Waves of Women"

In La Xixa, the initiative to foster women's political engagement and participation was vibrantly brought to life through the medium of theatre. The event of the 23rd of May featured entrepreneurs and students from the LEINN degree (Degree in Leadership, Entrepreneurship and Innovation), who immersed themselves in **an open rehearsal of the play "Onades de Dones" ("Waves of Women")**. This powerful piece, produced by La Xixa's theatre company and directed by Marina Pallares-Elias, sparked a challenging but necessary dialogue about **the spaces women occupy or are denied in our society**.



Co-building of a theatre play: How do women engage in politics?

The following two workshops at the end of May were greatly enhanced by the insights of **Mamadou Diol, founder of Kaddú Yaarax in Dakar, Senegal, and a prominent figure in Theatre Forum in West Africa**. Through this interactive approach, participants explored societal power dynamics, creating theatrical pieces that illuminated and challenged cultural oppressions. This method effectively raised awareness and **empowered women to become leading agents of change**.



Greece

Workshop and panel

On **May 22nd** Women Do Business conducted a **workshop** in **Heraklion** which was attended by 12 politicians from the local authorities. Through interactive sessions, the workshop covered various thematic areas essential for **fostering women's participation in politics** and **presented the national strategy** designed within the frame of the Fem-able project.



After the workshop, it followed the **main event**, which drew over 30 attendees, featured a comprehensive presentation of the FEM-ABLE project by the Women Do Business team. This was followed by a **dynamic panel discussion** with distinguished speakers. The panel addressed a wide array of **topics related to increasing women's political participation, generating significant interest and lively debate**. The event concluded with an **open forum**, allowing attendees to ask questions and share their perspectives, further emphasizing the community's commitment to gender equality in the political sphere.

Event in Rethymno

A second event in **Rethymno** took place in **29th of June** which attracted over 50 participants and featured a **compelling speech by Ms. Pepi Mpirliraki**. Throughout her life, Ms. Mpirliraki has been actively involved wherever there was a need for actions concerning her community. Her wealth of knowledge was particularly evident in her institutional role as **Deputy Mayor of Rethymno** and as a member of the Municipal Council and various Committees, where she served for **17 consecutive years**. Ms. Mpirliraki **shared her story authentically**, offering an **inspiring perspective** on navigating the political domain and captivating the audience.



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The upcoming Newsletter will highlight the other FEM-ABLE events in project partner countries.

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