

COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION

CONTRIBUTES TO FIGHT AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

STATISTICS



30% of women in Romania have experienced physical and/or sexual violence.

1 in 4 women in Romania has been physically or sexually abused at least once by her partner.

VICTIM BLAMING ATTITUDES ARE COMMON IN ROMANIA. IN A 2016 SURVEY



55% OF RESPONDENTS

STATED THAT RAPE CAN BE JUSTIFIED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

EXISTING POLICY



The **Istanbul Convention** has become active in Romania in September 2016.

3 National programs **addressing domestic violence** have been developed for the period 2017-2019.

LIMITED ACCESS

TO SEXUALITY EDUCATION IS LISTED AS AN ENABLING FACTOR



OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.

Only **6%** of students participated in the **“Health Education”** optional school subject during the year 2014-2015.

POLICY RECOMMENDATION



Sexuality education guides young people towards being responsible and teaches them about gender norms.

Sexuality education contributes to combating gender stereotypes and prevents violence against women.

1 WE CALL FOR AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

that includes age-appropriate sexuality education, adapted to the development level of every child.

2 WE CALL FOR ACTION TOWARDS ENSURING INCREASED ACCESS TO SEXUALITY EDUCATION

and adequate services, for all young people.

SOURCES: European Institute for Gender Equality, 2015 / European Union Agency For Fundamental Rights, 2014 Eurobarometer 2016 / National Center for Health Evaluation and Promotion, 2015 Presidential Administration, Departments of Health and Research and Public Health, 2015

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