

EVAWUD24 - Global Action Report

Elimination of Violence Against Women who Use Drugs



The campaign to eliminate violence against women and gender diverse people who use drugs (EVAWUD) coincides with the annual United Nations 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence Campaign (25 November to 10 December). The United Nations effort has not historically highlighted the extreme rates of violence experienced in all its manifestations by women and gender diverse people who use drugs, however the EVAWUD campaign aims to correct this failure.

In ongoing collaboration between WHRIN, YouthRISE, EuroNPUD and national level allies, EVAWUD is growing year on year with increasing rates of engagement, all harnessing the resilience of our communities in united indignation to spotlight and end gender-based violence. This report highlights EVAWUD24 actions in Indonesia, Australia, Nigeria, Poland, Colombia, Kenya, Ukraine, Mexico, Malaysia, Spain, Burundi, Italy, Portugal and the Asia Region, in a collective action.

Prohibition combined with patriarchy and gender inequity either directly causes or greatly exacerbates conditions for violence against our community, yet gender-based violence cannot be eliminated if those most affected are not explicitly and meaningfully involved in relevant policy and programming. Women and gender diverse people who use drugs are boldly stepping out to take their place in efforts to protect our communities. Collectively we and our allies call for governments to end the gendered, failed and murderous policy of drug prohibition as part of essential gender equality goals.

A growing number of consortia actions and engagement with partners has further amplified engagement. The following summary (with embedded hyperlinks) features some of the actions performed by women and gender diverse people who use drugs around the world in the EVAWUD24 Campaign.

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Indonesia, PPKNI

The EVAWUD24 campaign began with a peaceful demonstration in Bekasi city area, sharing information and education about the violence faced by women who use drugs. This activity was attended by approximately 20 people from LKNB (Bekasi Network of People who Use Drugs) and PPRI (Indonesian Recidivist Women's Association). Participants were able to attract the interest of many members of the general public to join and receive information about the objectives of the campaign and the issue of violence experienced by women who use drugs.



Additionally, a public talk show was held in the Bekasi Cyber Park, with Dr. Nur Anisa, MARS, SH and Nofia Erizka Lubis, SH as resource persons, discussing violence experienced by women who use drugs during pregnancy and after giving birth.



Lived experiences during pregnancy and childbirth, including obstacles and violence were shared. From the medical side, barriers to health service access for women who use drugs were explored, highlighting that in Indonesia, stigma and discrimination continue to be evident due to the lack of education about human rights and women's reproductive sexual health rights among service personnel, as well as the influence of the pervasive patriarchal culture. This discussion aimed to expand understanding that women who use drugs have equal rights in accessing health services and in being free from violence. Commitments were generated from representatives of the health service to increase education among their workers about the needs of women who use drugs and also eliminate discrimination. PPKNI will follow up on this output obtained by continuing to coordinate with related agencies.

Australia, Collaboration with Women's Legal Service Tasmania

In collaboration with the Women's Legal Service in Launceston, Tasmania, an innovative event was held in a park setting to address the broader issue of violence against women. Attendees participated by listening to important discussions through wireless headphones, which created an immersive and focused experience. This format allowed participants to engage deeply with the content in a reflective and personal way, while a shared lunch fostered a sense of community and connection.

Lily Foster, a member of the Strategic Advisory Body of WHRIN, contributed a powerful <u>five-minute</u> <u>dialogue</u> that specifically highlighted the unique challenges faced by women who use drugs. She spoke about how coercive control, manipulation, and violence can intersect with drug policy, and how stigma often creates barriers to seeking support.

Key messages of the event, supported by Women's Legal Service, Zonta International and White Ribbon Australia, included "Stalking is a Crime," "Stop Violence Against Women," and "Change Harmful Stereotyping." These messages brought attention to the need to address harmful biases, promote understanding, and advocate for systemic change.

While the event addressed violence against women broadly, the inclusion of voices like Lily's ensured that the experiences of women who use substances were recognised and discussed. This inclusive approach reinforced the importance of making sure all women, regardless of their circumstances, are supported in efforts to end violence.



YouthRISE Nigeria

This consortium campaign was implemented by Youth Initiative for Drug Research Information Support and Education (YouthRISE Nigeria), Global Care for Health Support Initiative (GCHSI) and Mistletoe Community Health and Rights Initiative (MCHARI) in Abuja, Lagos State, and Eket Akwa Ibom.

Actions engaged the public, community members and strategic partners to form beneficial allies towards promoting and protecting the rights of women who use drugs and addressing the enabling factors of gender-based violence against this population. Activities included a live, interactive radio show in partnership with the National Human Rights Commission titled; "*Trauma and Addiction Supporting Women Survivors of Violence and Substance Use*". Featuring a human rights expert, a survivor, and advocates, the show aimed to educate the public about recognizing, preventing, and addressing GBV and encouraged survivors to seek help.

A gender advocate workshop themed "Men as Allies," was held in partnership with the Nigeria Police Force FCT Command, Gender Desk educated 15 focal young persons (9 females and 6 males) who

use drugs on their critical role in ending GBV occurring in their communities. Through dialogue and training, participants were empowered to identify and report cases of violence, become allies in preventioe efforts and foster gender-equitable behaviours in their communities.



Consortium representatives visited the Nigerian Police Force Gender Desk in FCT Abuja, Eket Akwa Ibom and Lagos state to strengthen responses to gender-based violence cases. Discussions centred on improving survivor protection and addressing the stigma surrounding women who use drugs. This visit highlighted the need for more empathetic and inclusive policing approaches. Social media was used to share vital information and host open <u>discussions</u>, <u>activity pictures</u>, and a <u>press statement</u>. These efforts focused on sensitizing the public to the unique challenges faced by women who use drugs and mobilising their commitment to advocating for tailored interventions. The campaign reached a diverse audience and sparked supportive reaction.



Through these strategic activities, groundwork was laid for sustained advocacy against gender-based violence targeting women who use drugs. These efforts, supported by partnerships with organisations like the National Human Rights Commission, earned national recognition and participation in the World AIDS Day National Walk, representing women who use drugs living with HIV.

Polish Network of People who Use Drugs (PoliNPUD)

With a focus on strengthening connections among community members who identify as women, an informal dinner meeting was held to get to know each other better, discuss the issues and challenges faced daily, and connect with and support one another. It was essential that all could participate in the meeting, regardless of the circumstances they have been struggling with (e.g., unstable housing).





PoliNPUD also prepared ten "gift bags" for some of the most at risk women and gender diverse people (clients of "Prekursor" Foundation's Drop-in Center): the gift ideas were identified through direct client consultation. Each bag consisted of a pair of fluffy winter socks, some toiletries, and sweets.

During the EVAWUD24 Campaign, the 6th European Harm Reduction Conference was held in Warsaw. PoliNPUD participated in both official and informal roles, speaking out against violence and stigmatisation experienced by people, particularly women, who use drugs. PoliNPUD also prepared a <u>social media release</u> explicitly focused on the gender-based violence faced by Polish women and gender-diverse individuals who use drugs.

Colombia, Social Technical Action Corporation and Project Echele Head

Working with women who use drugs and feminist organisations that carry out activism and social mobilization, this campaign aimed to raise awareness of the work of feminist organisations and othersthat reduce risks and harm, speaking on the rights of women who use drugs through teamwork and social mobilisation.

A successful call out to participate in EVAWUD activities was launched virtually on the project's social networks, achieving the participation of more than 100 women in the activities across 3 cities. Collaboration was secured with 3 feminist organisations (Jacarandas, Ladies Woman and Elementa)



Four discussion sessions were held for women (gender-focused risk and harm reduction, alcohol and sexist violence, detoxification of gender-focused narratives and feminist mobilization through art) and 1 interactive workshop on makeup and risk and harm reduction. The latter workshop provided a safe space for reflection around the party scene and self-care. In addition, a cultural day was organised where participants learned how to make silkscreens with messages touching on protective measures and harm reduction with a feminist approach.

One of the greatest impacts was achieving the active participation of different women who use drugs through dialogue with important reflections generated on care, safe environments, risk reduction in party spaces, as well as important reflections on gender-based violence and the needed change of narratives from a gender perspective.

Italy, Chemical Sisters



Chemical sisters carried out social media actions and participated in the demonstration organised by Non-Una di Meno in Turin on November 25. Additionally, the WHRIN press release was translated into Italian, published, printed and disseminated as part of an awareness-raising effort.

Kenya EVAWUD consortium: Women Nest, Bar Hostess Empowerment and Support Programme, Kwale Network of People Who Use Drugs and Western Kenya Sex Workers Alliance

The coalition participated in several activities. Women Nest joined other partners in Nairobi County to launch 16 days of EVAWUD activism and conducted a focus group discussion with young women who use drugs to sensitize them on gender-based violence and available avenues to address it. Further, all partners participated in an online campaign where advocacy messages were shared through social media platforms, such as in Instagram, Youtube, and Facebook.





The Bar Hostess Empowerment and Support Programme conducted community forums to educate local leaders, law enforcement, and community members about gender-based violence risks and oppressions facing women who use drugs engaged in sex work and the importance of protecting their rights. Further, the Programme hosted advocacy workshops targeting healthcare providers to promote traumainformed care and reducing discriminatory practices.

Kwale Network of People Who Use Drugs participated in a peaceful walk-through Ukunda Street in the coastal part of Kenya that aimed to highlight the challenges faced by women who use drugs, particularly stigma and gender-based violence.

Western Kenya Sex Workers Alliance hosted an international event for AWID Forum that took place in Bangkok Thailand. They brought on board sex workers in their diversity including those using drugs from the Western Kenya region for participation.

Portugal, MANAS



This year for EVAWUD. Manas held a photo session in Goethe Institute where each of the Manas women involved in the initiative held a placard with a specific right written on it. In this way, each participant created their own poster, personalising and expressing the rights they felt are most important (right to abortion and pregnancy, right to life, a right to live without violence, right to luxury, right to dildos, right to lesbian relationships, the right to have duties, the right to have a house, the right

to be a sex worker, the right to access good drugs, etc). The *Manas* took ownership of the campaign's visual and narrative direction by choosing the rights and aligning those with the photographer. An exibition of the photos took place on the 29th November.

Each photo featured a Mana (sister) holding their message against a campaign backdrop (e.g., incorporating the theme, slogan, or visuals of the 16 Days of Activism). These images were shared online via social media and campaign websites, while posters were printed to post in strategic locations across Lisbon, adding visibility to a topic often marginalised in mainstream discourse. On November 25th, the photo campaign was combined with an in-person street action, engaging directly with the public.

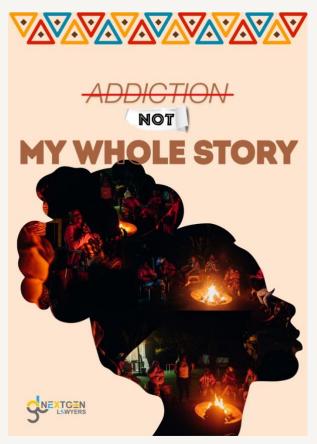
An exhibition took place at Casa Indepente, where photos were presented in larger format. This initiative took place within an World AIDS Day event, where GAT ran a camapign to extend PREP to sex workers and trans/ queer people. The journey had many performances and DJ's. Associated social media can be viewed here and here.

Nextgen Lawyers: #BeyondTheLabel: A Journey into the Resilience of Women Who Use Drugs - Breaking the Silence on an Overlooked Reality

Premiered during EVAWUD24, the film <u>Addiction</u>" Not My Whole Story is a critical advocacy tool. It highlights the structural and gender-based violence that women who use drugs endure and brings their stories to the forefront of gender-based violence discourse. The premiere event convened diverse voices: lawmakers with the power to enact reform, healthcare providers working with marginalised groups, human rights defenders advocating for justice, and community leaders reimagining local support. Together, these duty-bearers stand at a pivotal crossroads with a chance to rewrite a narrative long defined by stigma and exclusion.

In a world that stigmatises drug use as a moral failing, the lives of women who use drugs are shrouded in silence. Sensationalised headlines and punitive policies reduce their existence to shame-filled narratives, ignoring the intricate realities they endure. Yet, each day, women who use drugs rise, confronting the relentless forces of cultural, legal, and religious condemnation. In Kenya, this struggle is intensified by punitive laws, socio-cultural norms that idealize women as caregivers,

and religious ideologies that brand their decisions as sinful. Forced into the shadows, women who use drugs are cut off from healthcare, social services, and community support. Yet, beneath the surface, their stories are a testament to strength, survival, and an unyielding pursuit of dignity.



Addiction" Not My Whole Story, a bold documentary by NEXTGEN Lawyers, illuminates these hidden lives. More than a film, it is a mirror reflecting the unvarnished reality of what it means to be a woman who uses drugs in a world that seeks to erase them. Through this lens, the pain of systemic violence and the quiet triumphs of resilience are laid bare. The film is a rallying cry, a powerful reminder that women who use drugs are not labels or statistics; they are mothers, daughters, dreamers, and survivors whose voices demand to be heard.

The documentary is the heartbeat of the #BeyondTheLabel campaign, a global initiative challenging the world to dismantle stigma and stereotypes surrounding women who use drugs. This movement is a call to unlearn prejudice, foster understanding, and rebuild systems that prioritise equity and compassion. This story transcends borders. Across the globe, the experiences of women who use drugs echo with painful familiarity—rejection, isolation, and violence. But

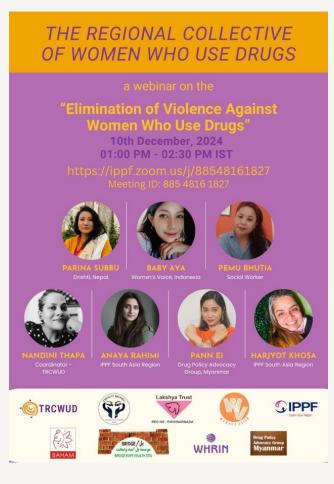
the voices, silenced for too long, are rising. The #BeyondTheLabel campaign demands the world's attention because their stories demand it. Every label we assign, every judgment we pass, strips someone of their humanity. This campaign challenges us to envision a future where dignity is not a privilege but a fundamental right.

NEXTGEN Lawyers invites you to watch the documentary. Share its message. Speak out against systems that perpetuate harm. And most importantly, see beyond the labels to the humanity of those whose lives defy them. For too long, the world has turned its back on women who use drugs. It's time to turn toward them, to listen, learn, and act. Together, we can craft a narrative not of shame, but of strength. Not of exclusion, but of equity. Not of labels, but of lives worth celebrating.

Asia Regional Collective of women who use drugs

On the final day of the EVAWUD24 campaign, a webinar was launched with the aim to address the critical issue of the rising levels of violence against women who use drugs. The webinar was organised to raise awareness, share insights and lived experiences and to discuss strategies for combating violence faced by women who use drugs who remain a completely marginalised group in the Asian region.

Participants were welcomed by IPPF officials who explained the importance of amplifying the voices of women who use drugs and ensure they are being heard. Issues highlighted included exclusion from gender-based violence services as well as wider sexual and reproductive health services and limited gender responsive harm reduction programming.



The webinar featured a panel of community speakers with the overall conclusion that women who use drugs in Asia have too long been not recognized as a group with unique oppressions and corresponding needs. It was noted that more might be achieved by engaging with international frameworks such as CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women), yet adequate support must be provided to women who use drugs groups at country levels to actively participate in preparing and submitting CEDAW reports to ensure their issues are represented in gender equality advancement. The need to form and strengthen partnerships with likeminded organisations to push the feminist agenda forward to be inclusive of women who use drugs was stressed.

Other proposed solutions included investment in movement building by establishing and supporting women who use drugs networks in every country to strengthen collective voice. Training workshops are needed to support leadership development and enable champions

within the community to lead advocacy and influence policy. There is an acute need for stronger protections for women in the context of drug policy and violence. Policies that deprive Asian women who use drugs of basic human rights must be reformed. The webinar had 32 participants and highlighted the urgent need for collective action to address the unique challenges faced. The discussions brought about a strategy of a multi-faceted approaches combining advocacy, support services, and drug policy reform.

Ukraine, Club Eney



In support of the global WHRIN EVAWUD24 campaign, Club Eney successfully carried out all planned activities under the initiative "Break the Chains of Silence: Ending Violence Against Women Who Use Drugs." This campaign highlighted the often-overlooked violence experienced by women who use drugs, particularly at the hands of family members, and emphasized the systemic lack of support and societal stigma they face.

As part of these efforts, Club Eney produced a five-minute advocacy film, "Break the Chains of Silence". The film features real women and depicts an authentic and moving psychotherapeutic conversation between a survivor of violence and a therapist. It addresses the key messages that violence is never justified and that drug

use is never an excuse for abuse. Through this project, attention was drawn to the urgent need for decriminalisation and support systems for women who use drugs.

The film was premiered during a screening event attended by key stakeholders, including representatives from All-Ukrainian network of people who use drugs VOLNA, All-Ukrainian network of women who use drugs VONA, the Kyiv City Social Services Center, Researching Institute and Positive Women. The event fostered meaningful dialogue on the pressing issue of violence against women who use drugs. More details about the event are available here.

To maximize the campaign's impact, a range of advocacy tools were employed including posters, press releases, and hashtags, such as #16ДнівПротиНасильства, #РозірватиЛанцюгиМовчання, #КлубЕней, #EVAWUD24, #orangetheworld, and #WHRINetwork. Social media played a pivotal role in spreading the message and engaging a wider audience. Together, we strive to create a world where every woman feels heard, protected, and empowered.

Mexico: "Silenced Voices: Stories of Violence and Resilience of Women Deprived of Liberty Who Use Psychoactive Substances"

The main objective of this EVAWUD social media campaign was to shed light on the multiple forms of violence faced by women deprived of liberty who use drugs and also include those who live with psychosocial and intellectual disabilities. Through this initiative, opportunity was forged to raise awareness in society about the situation of these women who are often stripped of their rights, forgotten by the justice system, neglected by their families, and left without support services - which are scarce or even nonexistent.

Canvas bags were purchased, each screen-printed with the name of the woman recipient. This symbolic act was of great importance, as many of these women were able to feel recognised and valued by carrying a bag with their name. Each woman received a kit containing basic hygiene and toiletry products including sanitary pads. The kit was provided with the aim of addressing the basic health and well-being needs of the women, many of whom otherwise rely on donations to access these essential products. Being housed in the last two dormitories of the penitentiary center known as the psychiatric area, care and support are often inadequate and assistance, such as the provision of hygiene products, is scarce.



On November 28, a gathering was held at the penitentiary center with the participation of the women deprived of liberty and a multidisciplinary team that, under the project "Behind Bars and Ghosts: Accompanying Women with Psychosocial Disabilities in the Women's Social Reintegration Center," had been visiting the women at the prison. During this event, meals were shared with the women, fostering an atmosphere of solidarity and mutual support. Additionally, the hygiene kits and screen-printed bags with each woman's name were distributed. This gesture not only provided material support but also represented an act of visibility and dignity for women who often live in invisibility and neglect.

It is worth noting that, thanks to the trust and connection previously built with the women, this activity held deeper significance. The purpose of this campaign and the distribution of the kits was to provide tangible support to women marginalised by institutions, society, and their families. The joy and gratitude they expressed upon receiving the kits and bags demonstrated the importance of knowing there are people who care about their well-being and are willing to support and accompany them. Such support makes a difference, as collective work, free from stigma and prejudice, to create meaningful change in the social fabric.

Insaf Murni Association Malaysia (IMAM)

A compelling social media advocacy campaign aimed at raising awareness about the violence and discrimination faced by women and gender diverse people who use drugs. At the heart of the campaign were two thought-provoking short films, "<u>The Helmet - Your Violence Killing My Day</u>" and "<u>The Light Inside - Your Violence Killing My Day</u>." These films powerfully depicted the harsh realities of partner violence, systemic discrimination, and societal stigma. Co-written and performed by members of the affected communities, the films ensured authentic representation and highlighted lived experiences, making their message even more impactful.

The campaign launched with in-person screenings for the specific communities, creating a safe space for dialogue and fostering a sense of solidarity among attendees. These events met with overwhelmingly positive feedback, with participants expressing a deeper understanding of the trauma and resilience experienced by marginalised individuals. Photos and testimonials from the screenings captured the emotional responses of the audience and emphasized the power of storytelling as a tool for advocacy.



Building on this momentum, IMAM leveraged its social media platforms to broaden the campaign's reach. Trailers, key scenes, and promotional materials were shared across Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok to engage a wider audience. These efforts culminated in an online screening of the films, accompanied by interactive discussions to facilitate further dialogue. By offering both physical and virtual access, IMAM ensured inclusivity and encouraged diverse participation.

The campaign's multi-faceted approach effectively amplified the voices of women and gender diverse people who use drugs, sparking empathy and fostering public awareness of their struggles. Beyond raising awareness, the initiative also called for urgent legal reforms, the adoption of traumainformed care practices, and the implementation of gender responsive harm-reduction strategies. Through multimedia storytelling and inclusive community engagement, the campaign successfully raised awareness, challenged stigma, and inspired collective action against violence and discrimination.

Spain, XADUD

This year marked the first time that XADUD joined the EVAWUD campaign. It has been a challenge for the collective, which lacks legal status but continues to carry out political advocacy actions. During the 16 days of action, a series of activities were conducted. Workshops were held to address 16 forms of violence; one for each day, connected to different violated rights. Each day, associated notes were shared, detailing diverse strategies to address each type of violence.

On November 25th, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, an event was organised with allied organisations and local neighbours. Some XADUD members recited poems they had written as well as a manifesto prepared by XADUD specifically for the day. From there, all marched together in the general demonstration against gender-based violence. There was strong participation by XADUD women in preparing posters, organising the event, and attending the march.

Over the subsequent days of action, XADUD discussed sex work and survival sex, working together to understand the differences. Each participant shared their experiences on the topic and contributed advice on creating safer spaces and self-care strategies. Films related to violence experienced by racialized, functionally diverse and homeless individuals were screened, generating discussion and experience sharing among the viewers.







To address police violence, XADUD alongside a lawyer from Metzineres discussed the situation surrounding the Urban Planning Plan and the police violence experienced by women who use drugs in Barcelona. Over two of the days of action, the side effects of substance use including mental health diagnosis, prejudices, pleasures, associated stigma, personal experiences and how to support one another in each case were discussed.

One of the action days centred around some members who shared their experiences as part of the LGTBIQA+ community, and together addressed questions about experiences with hormone therapy. On a subsequent action day, a paella was prepared and XADUD wrote letters

to incarcerated women to deliver during the next prison visit. Some members also shared their experiences of being imprisoned. The next day, violence faced by women whose custody of their children has been taken away was discussed. The entire campaign was shared through Metzineres' platforms which can be viewed here. The campaign reached over 30,000 people.

Burundi, BAPUD

For EVAWUD24, 18 women who use drugs together with the President of BAPUD and the National Coordinator, organised a round table discussion day for the community of women who use drugs, in a collaborative action against violence against women who use drugs.

BAPUD's national coordinator gave a welcome and opening address, reminding participants that this meeting was part of the 16 days of activism with the EVAWUD24 campaign. Specific issues of violence experienced by women who use drugs were highlighted, noting also that these are often poorly documented. Thereafter, the coordinator left the space to ensure a women-only discussion where experiences, concerns and ideas could be shared more freely.



Women who use drugs leaders were invited to present all the problems that women who use drugs encounter on a daily basis, and to propose solutions for successful community work. Identified challenges included coerced abortion without consent, sexual violence, homelessness, family rejection, unplanned pregnancies, infection and illnesses such as HIV, STIs, tuberculosis, cervical cancer and other opportunistic diseases, and abuse and exploitation by law enforcement or wider society.

The participants put forward recommendations and suggestions to enhance their safety including for the creation of a rehabilitation center for treatment based on the principles of harm reduction linked to drug use, with special emphasis on women; designation of a representative to assist them in case of emergency; assistance in obtaining national identity cards; literacy programs and training in income-generating trades; distribution of free sanitary pads; support to reinforce the rights of women who use drugs and advocacy to stop stigmatisation and discrimination.

As a result, the peer educators pledged committment to carry out several field visits to discuss sexual and reproductive health or related topics, to support women in developing their vision for the future, to advocate for a mobile clinic for woman who use drugs and for access to a lawyer to defend their rights. Future planned actions are to include women's issues as a standing item in upcoming BAPUD meetings, and to prepare a specific campaign to give visibility to gender-based violence experienced by these women with recommended actions and linkage to local and international partners.

CASO



CASO, the Portuguese Association of People Who Use Drugs, joined EVAWUD for the fourth year running. The aim of this year's campaign was to bring together professionals in the field of harm reduction, drug user organisations and activists, and political decision-makers, for a dialogue centred on what is already being done and what remains to be done to eliminate violence against women and gender diverse people who use drugs, in Porto and Gaia.

Key actions included dissemination of the campaign among services, councilors and the press, with the use of a poster, press release and invitation to an open dialogue; face-to-face

contact with women who use drugs and display of the poster in some of the main harm reduction departments; and a public event on 29 November. The event included a viewing of the short film *Decriminalisation in Portugal: Through the Lens of People who Use Drugs* and a debate on decriminalisation in Portugal, focusing on the situations in Porto and Gaia and a discussion on eliminating violence against women and people of different genders who use drugs, as well as outlining the next steps.

The event generated a lot of attention with a good turnout among allied professionals, including distinguished guests such as the coordinator of the Porto DCR, the executive director of one of the largest harm reduction service providers in Porto and Gaia and the Porto City Council councilor for social cohesion, as well as professionals from harm reduction and treatment services.



WHRIN extends gratitude and congratulations to all those participating in the EVAWUD24 campaign, as well as to all that put forward a proposal, and to our partners for elevating the EVAWUD campaign at the local and global levels. As evidenced in this report, collectively women and gender diverse people who use drugs are gaining momentum as a movement while simultaneously identifying and engaging with allies to work together in efforts to protect the rights and ensure the safety of members of our community. EVAWUD activities are increasingly targeted towards service, policy and practice adjustments and reforms designed to protect and assist women and gender diverse people who use drugs and their communities who are experiencing or are at risk of violence.

Please keep us posted on any further campaign and related activities so we can promote, share and ideallyreplicate your progress in other locations. Please also share this report through your networks to help grow the EVAWUD campaign in 2025.

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