

**Proposal for the Rules of procedure for the ^{second} European Conference after the 2nd World Women's Conference
on 14 April in Mannenberg/Salstein - switzerland**

1. All participants of the conference acknowledge and work on the basis of the **call and principles** for the World Women's Conference as well as the final resolutions of the first World Women's Conferences 2011 in Caracas and the second in Kathmandu 2016 and commit themselves to a democratic culture of debate.
2. The delegates of the militant women's movement from the different countries are entitled to vote with a maximum of 3 per country. Also candidates for the elections of the new European Coordinators and deputies have the right to speak.
3. If the agenda does not decree otherwise, the **time allotted to the speakers** is 3 minutes (including interpretation. If double interpretation is necessary, the allotted time is increased to 5 minutes). The right to speak is granted following the **order of the requests to speak**. If a delegate has already spoken twice during one topic, requests to speak of those delegates who have not spoken until then will be taken first.
4. The Conference works on the basis of the **principle of consensus**. Everybody strains for finding mutual agreements. At the end of the respective time for discussion the range of opinions will be recorded. Voting will only take place if no consensus could be reached in the given time of discussion. If no consensus can be reached, the **opinion of the majority** is valid.
 - The required majority for **basic documents** is 80 percent.
 - Concerning questions of **agenda, procedure** and **statements on everyday politics** it is 50 percent. Equality of votes means refusal.
 - In the reasons for decisions the **pro and contra arguments** should be noted in a short form.
5. **Guests** are observers as a rule. The delegates can decide to give them the right to speak for a short timeframe on special items on the agenda or before the decisions are taken. Each speaker will then get 1 minute (including interpretation. If double interpretation is necessary, 2 minutes). They are not allowed to vote.
6. **Minutes of the decisions** will be recorded in written form. At the end of the meeting the delegates will decide upon these minutes. The aim is to give a CD with all the decisions to the participants.