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#### PRESS INFORMATION

# Press briefing of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)

## Widespread violence against women in the EU: world's largest-ever survey reveals

#### **Tuesday, 4 March 2014 at 15.00**

"Lipsius" press room, Council Press Centre - Brussels

See details attached.
Press only.
Please confirm your attendance by 3 March at the very latest.
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#### Invitation to press briefings

#### 28 February, Vienna / 4 March, Brussels

The EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) invites you to press briefings on the results of its survey of 42,000 women across the EU's 28 Member States. The results reveal widespread abuse at home, work, in public and online across the European Union. Women were asked about their experiences of physical, sexual and psychological violence, childhood victimisation, sexual harassment and stalking, including new media for abuse such as the internet.

The survey findings will be presented in Brussels on 5 March, at the high-level conference "Violence against women across the EU: Abuse at home, work, in public and online". The event will take place at the Council of the European Union. Media are welcome to attend or to follow the live stream between 9 am and 13.30 from the conference website.

Press briefings ahead of the official launch of the survey findings will take place on:

- 28 February at 10h at FRA, Schwarzenbergplatz 11, 1040 Vienna, Austria;
- 4 March at 15h in the Lipsius press room at the Council of the European Union, Brussels.

FRA's Director and key experts will present the results of the survey, offering media opportunities for one to one interviews in **English**, **German**, **French**, **Spanish**, **Italian**, **Finnish**, **Danish**, **Lithuanian and Dutch**.

The report and its findings are under embargo until March 5 at 01:00 AM CET.

Please confirm your attendance for the Vienna briefing by 26 February and for Brussels by 3 March at the very latest.

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