

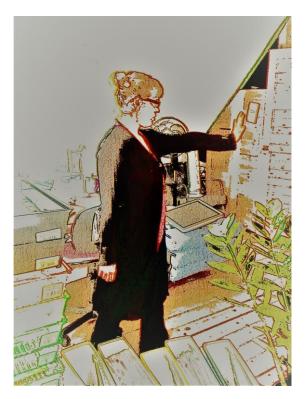


# DRAW the Line: Training and empowering immigrant women to prevent sexual violence and harassment

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#### **VIOLENCE PREVENTION MEANS ...**

Violence prevention is a generic term for initiatives and measures for the prevention of violent conflicts, which should train people in dealing with conflicts and to



enable those avoiding violent conflicts.

Break the silence

#### SAFE THE DATE!

The project "Draw the line" will carry out a final conference in April in Graz, where the coordinator of the project is located. A first "Safe the date" was sent to the whole network of OMEGA and the first preregistrations have started already.

The conference programme will include key notes relayed to the project's theme as well as group work as well as a performance and a panel discussion. The programme will soon be ready and of course presented here.













#### Filmtip: Teheran Tabu



Tehran, Iran, huge city prohibitions, dogmas and restrictive laws. "moral" are offenses such as adultery and extramarital sex

subject to draconian punishments such as flogging. In this city young people live with normal desires and longings on the hopeful search for closeness and a last remaining joy of life.

### 16 days against violence

The 16 days against violence include the 25 time between November International Remembrance Day for all women and girls who became victims of violence - and 10 December - International Human Rights Day. This period of action is used worldwide to address the extent and diversity of violence against women and to raise awareness that violence against women and girls as a fundamental human rights violation has lasting consequences for those affected and for society as a whole.

The day of remembrance goes back to the murder of the three sisters Mirabal, who were killed on November 25, 1960 in the Dominican Republic by the military intelligence after months of torture. They were underground and participated in activities against the tyrannical dictator Trujillo.

At a meeting of Latin American and Caribbean feminists in Bogotá, Colombia in 1981, the participants paid tribute to these women and proclaimed their date of the occasion of death on commemoration of the victims of violence against women and girls. Since 1999, November 25 has also been recognized by the United Nations official as an international commemoration day.

Since 1991, the American Center for Women's Global Leadership has launched the "16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence" campaign. Meanwhile, the international participation is in over 800 organizations and around 90 different countries.

In this context, the project Draw the Line was also promoted via networking and participating in various municipal activities.

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