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## **Webinar: Why Europe needs a directive on gender-based violence**

### **Instagram Live with Alice Bah Kuhnke and Terry Reintke**

Gender-based violence (GBV) is one of the most systematic and widespread human rights violations in the world, claiming thousands of lives every year.

Current lockdown measures have exacerbated the pre-existing problems by enabling an environment for coercive control. Cases of gender-based physical, psychological and sexual violence have increased across Europe under COVID19, in what the United Nations has called a “shadow pandemic”.

Despite the alarming development, the European Union still does not have a directive obliging its members to put an end to this systematic form of violence. It’s time the EU moves from empty words to concrete actions.

Greens/EFA are calling on the European Commission to step up the EU's response to gender-based violence, and for the Commission to propose a comprehensive and inclusive directive to prevent, respond and end gender-based violence online and offline.

Join MEPs Alice Bah Kuhnke and Terry Reintke for a discussion on the need for action, on Thursday the 18th of March at 16h (CET): [https://www.instagram.com/terry\\_reintke](https://www.instagram.com/terry_reintke)

#### ***Speakers:***

- *Alice Bah Kuhnke* is Vice-president of the Greens/EFA group, Coordinator of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality.
- *Terry Reintke* is Vice-president of the Greens/EFA group, Co-President of the LGBTI Intergroup in the European Parliament and Coordinator of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs.

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