



## PROGRAMME

**Abortion, is it still taboo?**

**PES Women**

**Porto, 8 December**

**1.30 - 3.00 pm**

**Room B**

### **1. Welcome**

Zita Gurmai, President PES Women

### **2. Discussion**

Chair: Zita Gurmai

Panel:

- Edite Estrela, Member of the European Parliament, PS (Portugal)  
*Situation in Portugal and the upcoming referendum on abortion*
- Anne Van Lancker, Member of the European Parliament, Sp.a (Belgium)  
*Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights and the conservative backlash*
- Vicky Claeys, Regional Director, International Planned Parenthood Federation  
*Overview on the situation and legislation on abortion in EU Member States*
- Maria Manuela Augusto, President of the Socialist Women's National Department, PS (Portugal)

Topics:

- Legislation and best practices throughout the EU
- Situation in Portugal; since the last vote on abortion up until the upcoming referendum
- Conservative backlash; social, culture and religious influences

### **3. Conclusion**

Ana Gomes, Member of the European Parliament, PS (Portugal)

**Interpretation:** English/ Portuguese/ French

