

Barcelona, 18 June 2014

Dear Sir / Madam,

On behalf of the President of Metropolis, Jean-Paul Huchon, and myself, we wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for taking part in the conference “Security and Protection of Victims of Sexual Exploitation. New Forms of Slavery and Its Local Impact” on 13 June last, organised by the Metropolis Women International Network, with the support of Barcelona Provincial Council.

From the Network and in line with the provisions set forth in the declarations of Brussels 2007, Seoul 2009 and Abidjan 2013, we will continue working to disseminate the actions and policies for gender equality in metropolitan cities and areas in the international arena, and thereby urge governments to streamline them into their political agendas and to promote citizen involvement to achieve a society free of violence, safe for women and men and tolerant of differences.

In the coming weeks, we will send you the conclusions of the conference, which saw the attendance of some 200 people.

Allow me to thank you once again for your attendance and to avail of the opportunity to send you our best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'F' followed by a cursive name, all enclosed within a large, hand-drawn oval.

Francina Vila i Valls

President of the Metropolis Women International Network