



**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 15 & 16 NOVEMBER 2018**

*VENUE: MAISON DU BARREAU, PARIS - FRANCE*

## **ONE SAFE PLACE FOR HOPE AND EMPOWERMENT**

*Development of A Multidisciplinary Approach of Gender-Based Violence  
and Domestic Violence in a Family Justice Center*

### **Content:**

The International Conference “One Safe Place for Hope and Empowerment is organized by the European Family Justice Center Alliance (EFJCA), the Family Justice Center “Maison des Femmes” Paris and the Kering Foundation.

The conference aims to:

- give a voice to survivors of gender-based violence and domestic violence
- engage stakeholders, organisations and (local) authorities to a high-quality multidisciplinary approach of survivors and their children, starting from the needs of the survivors
- exchange good-practices and evidence-based methodology between FJC’s and related multidisciplinary approaches
- keep the focus for these forms of violence on the public and political agenda
- network to strengthen multidisciplinary centers in their work
- provide trainings on specific topics related to gender-based and domestic violence, to improve the help offered and to bring hidden problems into the open.

During the conference there’s the possibility to follow a training on non-fatal strangulation, provided by the National Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention of the United States.

**Conference language: English and French**

### **Target group:**

The conference is open for a large public of cooperators, stakeholders and directors of Family Justice Centers and related multidisciplinary centers, EC and EU mandates, federal, regional and local policy makers, women’s aid, victim services, perpetrator programs, police, justice, health sector, mental health-care, child advocacy, youth care, training centers, universities and research centers, ...

### **Registration:**

Register for the conference on our website:

[www.efjca.eu](http://www.efjca.eu)

It is possible to register for 1 or 2 days.

### **Registration fee:**

2 days € 150,00 euro, 1 day € 100,00



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## Plenary Day

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- 8.30: Registration**
- 9.15: Opening**  
*by Marie-Aimée Peyron, Mme le Bâtonnier de l'Ordre des Avocats de Paris and Gabriela Ramos, OECD Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20*
- 9.25: Welcome and introduction**  
*by Ghada Hatem, director FJC/Masion des Femmes Paris and Pascale Franck, vice-president EFJCA (Voices: videos of survivors within FJC's)*
- 9.35: One Safe Place for Hope and Empowerment**  
*by Gael Strack, CEO of Alliance for HOPE International*
- 10.15: The European FJC movement**  
*by Bert Groen, President EFJCA, with FJC movie*
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- 10:45: Break**
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- 11.10: Organization of the Unités Médico-Judiciaires in France**  
*by Dr. Céline Denis, forensic doctor at the Jean Verdier Hospital in Bondy.*
- 11.35: The role of the police in a multidisciplinary approach**  
*by Olivier Slosse, Assistant Director Strategy and Policy, Local Police Brussels Capital Ixelles*
- 12.00: A good example in France: FJC Paris 'Maison les Femmes'**  
*by Ghada Hatem and the Kering Foundation.*
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- 12.25: Time for Lunch**
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- 13.45: Children as the most vulnerable individuals in gender-based violence and domestic violence**  
*by Margreet Visser, clinical psychologist Child & Youth Trauma Center Kenter, The Netherlands*
- 14.20: Perpetrators care: embody the victim**  
*by Linda Tromeleue, psychologist, family therapist specialized in domestic violence and working with perpetrators*
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- 15.00: Break**
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- 15.15: What role for specialized organizations in public policies that combat violence against women?**  
*by Françoise Brié, Executive Director of the Fédération Nationale Solidarité Femmes (FNSF)*
- 15.45: Engaging men and boys**  
*by Gary Barker, President and CEO of Promundo*
- 16.25: Overall considerations within the European context**  
*by Gael Strack and Gary Barker*
- 16.45: Closing Day 1**
- 19.00: Cocktail** *hosted by Columbia Global Centers at Reid Hall*  
*Located in the heart of the Montparnasse neighborhood of Paris, Reid Hall has hosted for more than a century international conferences, undergraduate and graduate programs, and cultural and scholarly events. Over the years, it has earned a significant place in trans-Atlantic relationships. In March 2010, it was inaugurated as Columbia Global Centers | Paris and forms part of a network of global centers located in eight major world cities: Beijing, Mumbai, Nairobi, Istanbul, Paris, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago and Amman. As such, it benefits from the significant resources provided by Columbia faculty, students and administration.*
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- Language** **Simultaneous translation English/French**
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*The second day offers a choice between:*

### **1. TRAINING IN (NON-FATAL) STRANGULATION**

**Target group:** *this session is open for a large group of professionals working in the field of police, justice, victim care, women's aid, health care, forensic examination, social work,...*

### **2. THE START, WORK AND EXPERIENCES OF EUROPEAN FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS**

**Target group:** *this session is meant for professionals interested in the start of multidisciplinary centers or already working in multidisciplinary approach of domestic violence, gender-based violence and/or child abuse*

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- 9.00:**        **Registration**
- 9.15:**        **Opening**  
*by Bert Groen*
- 9.30:**        **Understanding the timeframe of PTSD to offer more adapted multidisciplinary solutions**  
*by Dr Thierry Baubet, psychiatrist and specialized in child and adolescent trauma care*
- 9.40:**        *Transfer to group sessions*
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### **1. TRAINING IN (NON-FATAL) STRANGULATION** *by Gael Strack*

**(English with French translation)**

**9.45 - 16.05:** Strangulation has been identified as one of the most lethal forms of domestic violence and sexual assault: unconsciousness may occur within seconds and death within minutes. When domestic violence perpetrators choke (strangle) their victims, not only is this felonious assault, but it may be an attempted homicide. Strangulation is an ultimate form of power and control where the batterer can demonstrate control over the victim's next breath: it may have devastating psychological effects or a potentially fatal outcome. Strangulation is more common in domestic violence cases than previously thought. It can have serious health implications for women and their unborn children and can ultimately lead to their death.

*This session gives the big opportunity to take part in a unique training in Europe on one of the most hidden and lethal forms of domestic violence, with very serious consequences for the victims. The training offers an insight in the dynamics and impact of non-fatal strangulation, and how to recognize, disclose and question this form of violence. The role of the different professions (police, justice, help, victim support, medical care,...) is described. There is enough time for discussion and exchange.*

*Gael Strack is the CEO of Alliance for HOPE International and oversees the Alliance's Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention. She is the founding director of the San Diego Family Justice center. She will enhance the knowledge and understanding of professionals working with victims of domestic violence and sexual assault who are strangled.*

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### **2. THE START, DEVELOPMENT, WORK AND EXPERIENCES OF EUROPEAN FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS**

**(English with French translation)**

- 9.45:**        **10 steps to start a Family Justice Center**  
*by Davy Simons, co-director FJC Antwerp and Michele Rabaiotti, Focal Point EFJCA Milan.*
- 10.05:**       **The client central in a multidisciplinary approach**  
*by Ghada Hatem*
- 10.25:**       **Questions and discussion**
- 10.50:**       **Break**
- 11.10:**       **The strategic planning, culture and services of a Family Justice Center**  
*by Pascale Franck and Bert Groen*
- 11.30:**       **The role of perpetrator programs in a community multidisciplinary approach**  
*by Alessandra Pauncz, Executive Director WWP*
- 11.50:**       **Questions and discussion**

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**12.15:** Time for Lunch

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**13.45:** **Working together in Sexual Assault Referral Centers**

*by dr. Cath White, forensic physician and the clinical director of St Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre Manchester U.K.*

**14:05:** **Multifocus, a system orientated approach of Gender Based Violence**

*by Lienja van Eijkern, sr. advisor and Gijs Simons, therapist, Mutsaers Foundation the Netherlands*

**14:25:** **Questions and discussion**

**14.45:** **Break**

**15:05:** **Children in a Multidisciplinary setting**

*by Nadège Severac, Sociologist at the National observatory for the Protection of Children*

**15:25:** **Moral deliberation**

*by Julien Topal, Governance & Integrity, director International*

**15.45:** **Questions and discussion**

**16:05:** *Transfer to plenary room*

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### *Plenary*

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**16:15:** **Closing remarks**

*by Ghada Hatem, Bert Groen and Pascale Franck*

**16:30:** **End of conference**

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