Welcoming Remarks: Setting the Stage - What is Violence Against Women in Politics (VAWP)?

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- Gordana Ćomić, Minister for Human and Minority Rights and Social Dialogue, Serbia
- Aida Kasymalieva, Deputy Speaker of Parliament, Kyrgyzstan
- Fatim Diarra, Helsinki City Councillor, Vice-Chairperson of the Green Party of Finland

Key points to be discussed:
- What are different approaches (legislation, policies, campaigns etc.) that could be taken to address VAWP based on the experiences from the region?
- What actions can parliaments, political parties, and electoral management bodies take to address VAWP?
- What have been good practices to address VAWP online?
- What concrete measures can be taken to advance data collection on reporting on cases of violence against women in political and public life?
- What type of civil society initiatives have been successful in addressing VAWP?

Concluding Thoughts and Closing

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