

RESOLUTION OF COOPERATION
regarding strengthening the role of women in local and regional
decision-making

between the Women Organisation of the Democratic Alliance of Hungarians in Romania (RMDSZ) and the Women Organisation of the European People's Party (EPP)

- having regard that equality between women and men is one of the fundamental principles of Community law,
- having regard that balanced participation of women and men in decision-making is a precondition for improving the functioning of democracy and society,
- having regard the importance of the active participation of all parties, their commitment and continuous efforts to eliminate discrimination against women in society,
- having regard the necessity that local authorities in order to ensure women and men balanced representation in decision-making should take all necessary measures and promote appropriate policies,
- having regard that RMDSZ Women Organisation has representatives in the local and regional decision-making, namely 277 members in various local councils, 13 members in county councils, 12 vice-mayors and 3 mayors.

The RMDSZ Women Organisation and the EPP Women Organisation agree to:

1. Cooperate regarding strengthening the role of women in local and regional decision-making and promote the principle of equality between men and women, as main principle of the European People's Party.
2. EPP Women gives its active support to RMDSZ Women Organisation that latter to call on local authorities in Romania to adhere in the coming-up year to the „European charter for equality of women and men in local life”, initiative launched by Council of European Municipalities and Regions. In this regard the RMDSZ Women Organisation will offer support and information to all those local authorities who wish to sign the Charter.
3. Share best practises regarding the process of implementation of EPP policies focusing on women in local and regional decision-making, as well as regarding the implementation of the Charter.

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