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Position: Chairperson

Ms lelite is one of the founders of the gender equality and women's organisations coordination in Latvia, being engaged in promotion of human rights in Latvia and abroad. She has focused her research and activities on child's and women's rights devoting her efforts to creating legislation, policies and services for children and families as well as sustainability of communities both through her professional and voluntary work. Ms lelite holds several acknowledgments by Prime Ministers, Cabinet of Ministers and its members as well as NGOs.

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Organisation: Women's NGOs Cooperation network Position: Board Member, European Women's Lobby

Board Member

Ms Kalnina is a Ph.D. Candidate in Social Psychology at University of Latvia. She has experience of more than a decade in human resources management. Since 2006 Ms Kalnina works for GlaxoSmithKline Latvia as Human Resources Manager and Management Team member. She has been Board member of European Women's Lobby since 2010 and Board Member of Women's NGOs Cooperation Network of Latvia. Ms Kalnina is actively engaged in developing national and EU policies as a Member of National Gender Equality Committee of Latvia and Member of Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men of DG Justice, EC.

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3) Maiga Dzērvīte



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Position: Member of the Board



Ms Dzervite during career of over 30 years in top management positions in industry and services, in both public and private sectors, in Latvia and abroad, gained broad knowledge in enterprise management, analysis, strategic and business planning, investment financing and banking, labour migration and gender-related issues. She has been active member of political party and several NGOs and NGOs representative in the national EU funds Monitoring Committee. Among other engagements Ms Dzervite is a Board Member of Association of Newly Retired Persons and a Member of the Latvian Statisticians' Association.

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Name: Laila Balga

Organisation: Women's Rights Institute Position: Chairperson of the Board

Ms Balga holds a Master degree in Law. She is a Member of Latvian Social Democratic Workers' Party. Her work experience in non-governmental sector dates from 1991. Ms Balga performs duties on behalf of NGO sector at Council of Cooperation between NGOs and Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Welfare as well as at Ministry of Interior. She has received recognition of the work by the of OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights for the best practice in field of integration of migrants, European Parliament Information Office in Riga and Latvian Women's NGOs Cooperation Network.

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Organisation: Concord Centre

Position: Member of Riga City Council, Head of Social

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Ms Veidina has a business background and currently holds a number of positions at Riga City Council not only being responsible for the social issues and health, but also for Riga sustainable development, chairing the Riga Health Board and Management Board of Riga Sustainable Energy Action Plan. She actively engages in European Union policies and projects and contributes to the international cooperation being a Board Member of the Energy Cities, the European association of local authorities engaged in energy transition.

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6) Ieva Adamsone



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Position: Member

Ms Adamsone in 2013 has acquired the Bachelor's Degree in Education and Cultural History, and she has the qualifications of art and history teacher. Her work experience comes from private sector working as a designer and director, later changing to work with children and families as a director of kindergarten and project manager at social enterprise "Ziedot.lv". The latest duties encounter managing non-formal education and culture projects as well as engaging in politics.

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Ms Krivcova is a lawyer, human rights activist and politician. She has ten years of experience practising corporate law and international taxation. In 2008 Ms Krivcova was a stagiaire in European Parliament. In 2011-2012 she was an elected member of the Central Election Commission of Latvia. Since end of 2011 Ms Krivcova is a Board Member and Deputy International Secretary of the Concord Social Democratic Party. Main issues of interest education, minority rights, political participation. Ms Krivcova speaks Latvian, Russian, English, German and French.

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