

The Fernando Pombo Foundation presents a Guide to the most frequently asked legal issues of victims of gender violence

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Madrid, June 26th 2014. The Fernando Pombo Foundation and the Luz Casanova Foundation have presented this morning the results of the 2nd Edition of EXEQUO Project, focused on strengthening the rights of women at risk of extreme vulnerability. The project has made available to the Luz Casanova Foundation customized legal services for six months. As a result of this project, a **Guide to the most frequently asked legal issues of victims of gender violence** has been published. The Guide’s objective is to be a practical tool to support lawyers accompanying victims of gender violence.

The event was opened by the Delegate of the Spanish Government for Gender Violence, Blanca Hernández Oliver, who centered her speech on the Spanish work to eradicate gender-based violence, its achievements and its remaining challenges. About the 2nd Edition of the EXEQUO Project, she highlighted that “this guide is one of the best legal works about gender violence that I have found in recent years”, and that the project’s goals completely aligns themselves with those of the Ministry of Social Affairs in terms of gender-based violence.

Thereupon, the general manager of Fernando Pombo Foundation, Carmen Pombo, explained the projects on which the foundation is working so as to accomplish its mission: the development of Social Responsibility of Legal Profession (SRLP) as well as the birth of the EXEQUO Project. Moreover, she thanked specifically each and every one of the collaborators and volunteers of the project as it has been a network. Afterwards, the director of Luz Casanova Foundation, Julia Almansa, pointed out that this project has enabled, in addition to an Internal Statutory Audit, the possibility of obtaining a detailed report about legal issues and the strategy to address the legal procedures of women attending to emergency centers.

Later, a round table moderated by the coordinator of the EXEQUO Project, Rafael Merino, took place. This round table was made up of some of the most relevant players of the project: the lawyer responsible for the 2nd Edition of the EXEQUO Project, Mónica Cofán; the coordinator of Department for Gender-based discrimination of the Luz Casanova Foundation, Elena Valverde; the coordinator of the Public Defender for Gender-based Violence of the Madrid Bar Association

(known in Spanish as ICAM) and Board member of the Subcommission of Gender Violence of the Spanish Bar Association, Concepción Valiente; the lawyer and collaborator of the guide, Lola Navarro; the director of the Legal clinic UNIR-Fernando Pombo Foundation, Adriana Pascual, and the director of the Personas y Empresas Foundation, José Luis Rodríguez.

In the drafting process of the Guide and the development of the EXEQUO Project, the Fernando Pombo Foundation has counted on the support of public institutions, corporations, and non-profit organizations, the Legal clinic UNIR- Fernando Pombo Foundation and the collaboration of more than 20 lawyers and professionals of other disciplines.

About the Fernando Pombo Foundation

The Fernando Pombo Foundation was born in 2010 with the aim to protect and promote human rights and to encourage the values contributing to the complete development of the individual, as well as equality and solidarity. Its goals are based on the defense and promotion of justice and the rule of law as well as the fundamental rights and democratic values.

The mission of the Fernando Pombo Foundation is the promotion and development of the social responsibility of the legal profession, focusing on the principles of accuracy, spirit of improvement and solidarity.

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About the EXEQUO Project

It is an initiative in the field of Social Responsibility of the Legal Profession (SRLP) that aims to promote a more involved legal profession in the fight against injustices and in the defense of human rights, especially of the most disadvantaged ones.

[Project EXEQUO](#)

About Luz Casanova Foundation:

The Luz Casanova Foundation, founded in 2007 by the association Apostólicas del Corazón de Jesús, expands its tasks on Social with more than 91 years of experience. The foundation works for individual development and social inclusion of people situations of vulnerability and exclusion. It puts the spotlight on two groups:

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