



RESPECT Grand Finale

ON PATH TOWARD RESPECTFUL MATERNITY CARE

Respect is not a Feeling. It is best clinical practice.
FINAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM



27 MARCH 2025
09:00-17:00



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WELCOME

08.30- 09.30

OPENING

- ✓ Registration
- ✓ Welcome
- ✓ Addresses
- ✓ Interactive Element

SESSION A:

09:30- 11.00



Policy & Practice

- ✓ RESPECT Project Overview
- ✓ KEYNOTE 1: Sabaratnam Arulkumaran
- ✓ ROUNDTABLE 1
- ✓ ROUNDTABLE 2

SESSION B

11:30- 13.00



Research & Perspectives

- ✓ KEYNOTE 2: Anna Maria Rossetti
- ✓ RESPECT Research: Croatia
- ✓ RESPECT Research: Cyprus
- ✓ From Research to Action

SESSION C

14:00 -15:00

Training & Empowerment

- ✓ KEYNOTE 3: Merette Khalil
- ✓ RESPECT e-course Croatia
- ✓ RESPECT Empowerment Cyprus
- ✓ RESPECT skills for Health Professionals

SESSION D

15:00 -16:30

Awareness & Rights

- ✓ KEYNOTE 4: Patrizia Quattrocchi
- ✓ ROUNDTABLE 3
- ✓ RespectWATCH: A case study
- ✓ RESPECT Campaigns Experience

CLOSING

16:30 -17:00

What's next?

- ✓ INTERACTIVE: Way Forward
- ✓ Evaluation-Suggestions



OPENING WELCOME

08:30-09:30



REGISTRATION



Welcome

by the RESPECT Project Team



Addresses

Midwives' Committee

Cyprus Nurses & Midwives Association (CyNMA)



#itsnotafeeling Interactive Element

What is RESPECT? What is DISRESPECT?

#itsnotafeeling

SESSION A POLICY & PRACTICE

09:30- 11:00



CHAIRS

Dr. Nicos Middleton | Dr. Ourania Kolokotroni



Respect Project Overview

Dr. Nicos Middleton | CUT

KEYNOTE

1

**Ethical Framework for Respectful Maternity Care
During Pregnancy and Childbirth**

Sir Professor Sabaratnam Arulkumaran

ROUNDTABLE

1

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**CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS IN MATERNITY CARE:
RECOGNIZING AND ADDRESSING CHALLENGES**

Sir Professor Sabaratnam Arulkumaran

Dr. Pantinos Mavrogenis | OB-GYN, CGOS

Stella Leontiou | Midwives' Committee, CyNMA

ROUNDTABLE

2

#itsqualitystandards #itspolicy

**QUALITY IMPROVEMENT:
STRATEGIES, SYSTEMS & MECHANISMS**

Dr. Monica Kyriacou | Health Insurance Organization

Chryso Gregoriadou | Ministry of Health

Dr. Andreas Mavrides | OB-GYN, Birth Forward SAB



Discussion



11:00-11:30

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SESSION B

RESEARCH & PERSPECTIVES

11:30-13:00



CHAIRS

Prof. Sandra Morano | Dr. Eleni Hadjigeorgiou



#experiencematters #perspectivematters
Interactive Element

KEYNOTE

2

Salutogenesis as the Antidote

Anna Maria Rossetti | SEO, IPOV



The RESPECT Research Findings - CYPRUS

Dr. Nicos Middleton & Irakledia Papairaklediou
| Cyprus University of Technology (CUT)



The RESPECT Research Findings - Croatia

Branka Mrzic Jagatic | RODA Croatia



PERSPECTIVES:

Commentaries - From Research to Action

Prof. Sandra Morano | University of Genoa
Anna Maria Rossetti | SEO, IPOV



Discussion

 BREAK
THE LUNCH 13:00-14:00



Experience the RESPECT Campaigns Walkthrough

#itsarespect

SESSION C TRAINING & EMPOWERMENT

14:00-15:00



CHAIRS

Dr. Christiana Nicolaou | Emmanuela Manoli

KEYNOTE

3

**Women at the Center:
Building the movement for Reproductive Justice**

Merette Khalil | PUSH Campaign, ICM



RESPECT Empowerment - CYPRUS

Irakledia Papairaklediou | CUT



RESPECT e-course - CROATIA

Branka Mrzic Jagatic | RODA



RESPECT Skills for Health Professionals :
"When standard practice is not practicing standards"

**Prodromoula Zisimou, Dr. Nicos Middleton,
Irakledia Papairaklediou | CUT**



**#itsaright
Interactive Element**



Discussion

#empoweredwomen #empoweredhealthcareproviders

SESSION D

AWARENESS & RIGHTS

15:00-16:30



CHAIRS

Dr. Christina Kaili | Margarita Kapsou

KEYNOTE 4

OBSTETRIC VIOLENCE: a complex concept for a systemic issue. Three decades of international debate from Latin America to Europe *[via recorded speech]*

Prof. Patrizia Quattrocchi | University of Udine, IPOV



RespectWATCH: A Case Study

Christine Mavrou | Birth Forward

ROUNDTABLE 3

#itsaright

MATERNITY CARE RIGHTS: LEGAL & ETHICAL DIMENSIONS

Dr. Aris Constantinides | CyFPA

Susana Pavlou | MIGS

Kyriaki Charalambous | Department of Law, UCY

Anna Maria Rossetti | IPOV



RESPECT Campaigns Experience: Reflections

Ioli Orphanide | Birth Forward

Branka Mrzic Jagatic | RODA



Discussion

#wordsmatter #birthsmatter

CLOSING WHAT'S NEXT?

16:30-17:00



#thewayforward Interactive Element

The journey has only started



Evaluation **CONCLUSIONS**



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4 KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



SIR PROFESSOR SABARATNAM ARULKUMARAN



Professor of Obstetrics & Gynaecology at the University of Nicosia Medical School, Professor Emeritus at St George's, University of London, and Visiting Professor at Imperial College, London



Ethical Framework for Respectful Maternity Care During Pregnancy and Childbirth



ANNA MARIA ROSSETTI



Director of the post graduate School of Fery Art SEA0
Representative of the International Platform of Obstetric Violence.
IPOV Respectful Care Project



Salutogenesis as the Antidote



MERETTE KHALIL



PUSH Campaign Lead
INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF MIDWIVES



**Women at the Center:
Building the movement for Reproductive Justice**



PROF. PATRIZIA QUATTROCCHI



Professor of Medical and Cultural Anthropology,
Department of Humanities and Cultural Heritage| University of Udine
Coordinator of IPOV Respectful Care Project.
International Platform on Obstetric Violence



OBSTETRIC VIOLENCE a complex concept for a systemic problem/issue. Three decades of international debate from Latin America to Europe [via recorded speech]



CONSORTIUM EXPERT SPEAKERS



DR. NICOS MIDDLETON



RESPECT project Scientific Coordinator
Associate Professor Health Research Methodology & Biostatistics
Member of Birth Forward Scientific Advisory Board
President, Cyprus Epidemiology and Public Health Association (



The RESPECT Project Overview
The RESPECT Research findings - CY (SESSION B)
RESPECT Skills for Health Professionals



BRANKA MRZIC JAGATIC



Program Coordinator, Activist
Roditelji u akciji - RODA



The RESPECT Research findings - Croatia (SESSION B)
RESPECT Campaigns Experience (SESSION D)



PROF. SANDRA MORANO



Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University Hospital
Policlinico San Martino-IRCCS, Genova



From Research to Action: Learning from Italy
(SESSION B)



CONSORTIUM EXPERT SPEAKERS



IRAKLEDIA PAPAIRAKLEDIOU



Community Midwife, PhD Candidate
RESPECT Research Associate



The RESPECT Research findings - Cyprus (SESSION B)
RESPECT Empowerment Cyprus (SESSION C)
RESPECT Skills for Health Professionals (SESSION C)



PRODROMOULA ZISIMOU



Midwife, PhD Candidate
RESPECT Research Associate



RESPECT Skills for Health Professionals (SESSION C)



IOLI ORPHANIDE ETEOCLEOUS



BIRTH FORWARD & RESPECT Campaign
Spokesperson on Respectful Maternity Care



RESPECT Campaigns Experience (SESSION D)



CHRISTINE MAVROU



BIRTH FORWARD
Advocacy & Communications Coordinator



RespectWATCH: A case study (SESSION D)

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