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**Invitation: Gender Equality Working Group  
Progressive Alliance Gender Action Plan  
29-30 June 2024, Istanbul, Turkey**

May 2024, Berlin

Dear Friends, Dear Comrades,

The Progressive Alliance Gender Equality working group was formed in 2019 during the Convention in Stockholm. In the Political Working Agenda adopted in 2019, the way ahead is to strengthen and expand cross-border dialogue, global cooperation, and international solidarity. We believe that the issue of gender should be mainstreamed in all policy fields and covered in our discussions.

Clearly, there is a need for leadership in the cross-cutting issues that affect women globally. Within this context are tremendous challenges that we must confront namely the persistent problems of gender-based violence and sexism, underrepresentation of women in public office, economic dependency, lack of opportunities in different male-dominated spheres, and cultural stereotypes. There must be a recognition of the intersectionality of issues of gender equality and justice and persistent problems that confront broader society in general both in the Global North and the Global South. We see that where gender inequality is rooted, the rise of authoritarianism, the return and normalization of military aggression, the commission of atrocities in conflicts, and income inequality and poverty remain.

During the Gender Equality Working Group meeting last January, it was agreed to put into practice our progressive core values by integrating into our core tenets the reflection of gender equality strategies of Rights, Resources, and Representation. With a focus on raising awareness and participation on common struggles, and with collectivization and political leadership building, the working group intends to work by sharing knowledge and tools, mobilizing resources,

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and getting reactivated within the Progressive Alliance to ensure that gender equality is met within our own organization and provide impetus for linking with sister organizations working for gender equality.

**It is our pleasure to therefore invite you to the Progressive Alliance Gender Equality Working Group workshop on 29-30 June 2024 in Istanbul, Turkey.** Through this workshop, we will identify ways, means and steps in making gender equality a priority agenda and collective solution to intersectional challenges faced in different regions of the world today. We will identify ways, means and steps in promoting equal representation within our political family and structures. Most importantly, we will draft a realizable Gender Action Plan that reflects updated transcontinental gender analysis and political and organizational proposals for the Progressive Alliance for 2024-2026 for debate and adoption in the Convention in October.

Your participation will definitely benefit this collective and global effort. You will find the links to our website the following preliminary documents:

1. [Provisional Program](#)
2. [Technical Information](#)

We look forward to welcoming you in Istanbul. Please do not hesitate to contact our colleague Tania Sanchez ([tania.sanchez@progressive-alliance.info](mailto:tania.sanchez@progressive-alliance.info)) if you have any questions. Thank you.

In solidarity,

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