



FIERCE

*Feminist movements
revitalizing Democracy in Europe.*

Intro to FIERCE project

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Basic Info

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Revitalizing Democracy in Europe

Project acronym: FIERCE

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Topic: HORIZON-CL2-2021-DEMOCRACY-01-03

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The FIERCE project at a glance

□ Knowledge

- *Understanding* of feminist and antifeminist movement activities and discourses and their impact policy outcomes and institutional arena on via framing, political ethnography and SNA in **8 different countries in 5 different thematic areas**
- Focus period: **2010-2021**

□ Tools/actions

- **Co-creation labs:** national and transnational labs connecting research with practice and activism
- **Pilot actions:** two FIERCE actions per country
- **Policy briefs and toolkit**
- **Feminist summer school**

Overall aim: To revitalize alliances between:

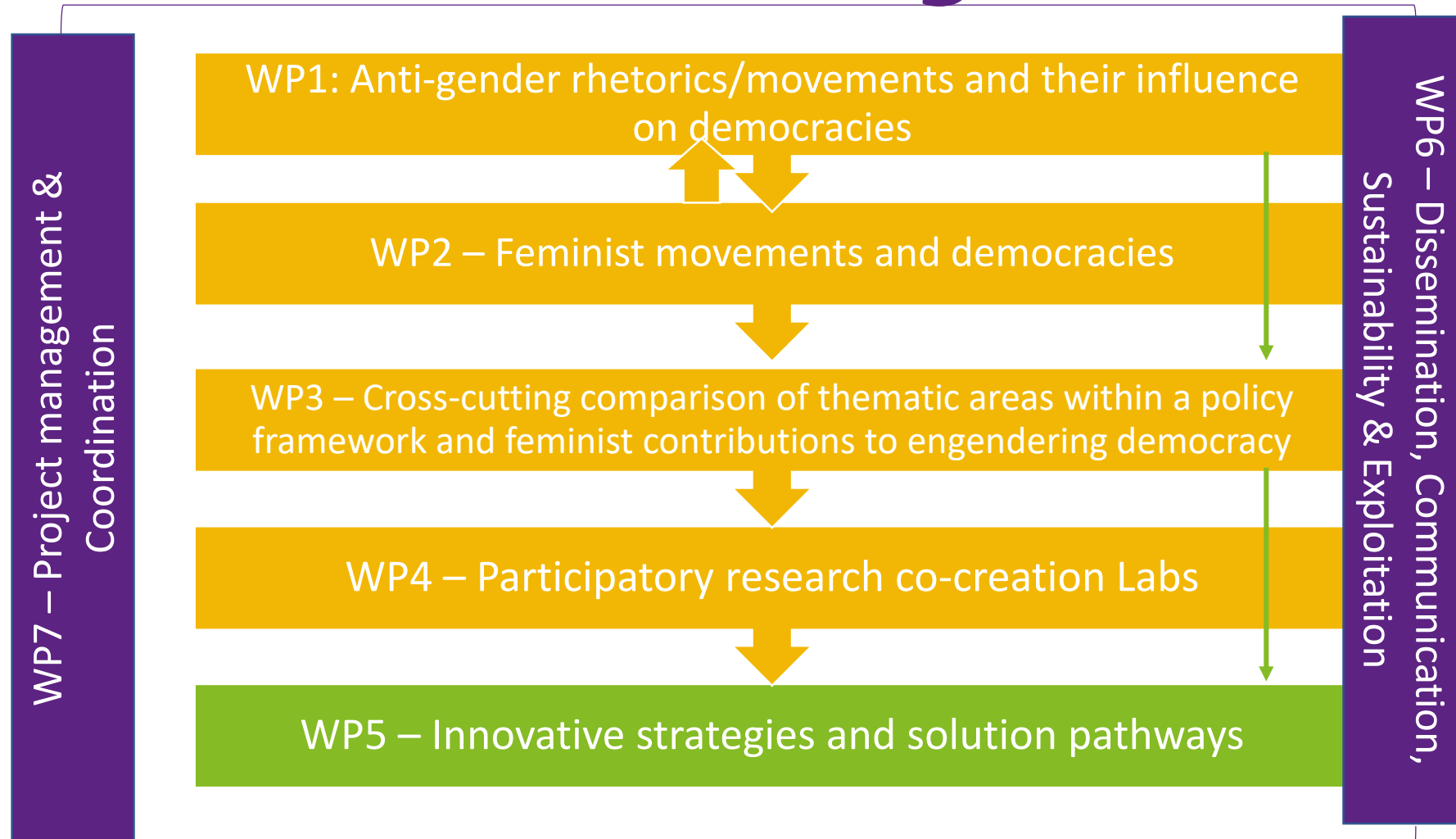
1. Feminist movement
2. Civil society
3. Political decision makers

FIERCE Impact

- ✓ Effective and concrete ways to **'engender' democracy** and spaces of democratic participation and governance that can help **counteract anti-gender equality rhetoric, frames and strategies.**
- ✓ **Stronger links between** feminist movements and public actors
- ✓ Improved quality of democracy
- ✓ **Dialogue stimulation** among different positions within feminist movements
- ✓ Contribution to **SGD 10 "Reduced inequalities", SGD 5 "Gender Equality"**



FIERCE Work Package structure



Motivation to apply

- A core team was built with a strong research background on studying feminist as well as anti-gender and anti-feminist movements
- Led by VILABS: strong experience on gender related projects
 - VILABS aims to capitalise on or exploit existing knowledge from several gender-related projects under Horizon 2020 participating as coordinator

Under the FIERCE project, VILABS found a way to approach this topic coordinating a multi-disciplinary research team and domains and blend it with civic participation and policy design.



Tips

✓ **Dual management:**



**Project and
Proposal coordination**



Scientific coordination

- ✓ **Interdisciplinary consortium based on previous good collaboration:**
 - ✓ Main criteria: geographical, welfare, relation between church and state and political freedom and political situation in each country because the topic was focused on the role of the feminists movements and how they influence Democracy in Europe
- ✓ Scientific approach → National and comparative case analysis + Participatory activities
- ✓ FIERCE national and transnational actions



Tips

National Labs

FIERCE Labs support in bridging gaps between feminist movements and civil society on one hand, and institutional and party representatives on the other.

The co-creation with movements and political actors from feminist civil society will be applied to both knowledge generation and to the development of innovative democratic actions, as well as to the elaboration of concrete solutions/tools and policy recommendations.



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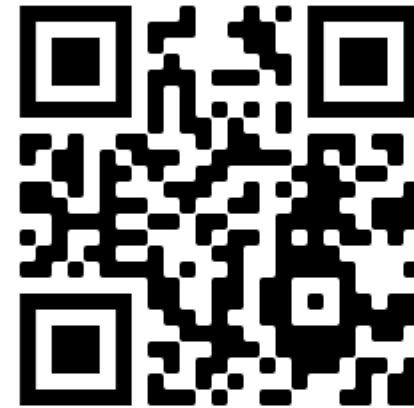
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