

Draft Resolutions

To be discussed at YES Bureau Meeting, 16-18/06/2023, Brussels, Belgium

1 Stop Free Entry to Girls/Women in Nightclubs: If You Don't Pay for the

2 Product, You Are the Product

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Submitted organisations/s: JSC Spain

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One of YES' main values and fights is to work towards the real and effective equality among all the people in the world: we are deeply compromised with feminism. Hence, from a feminist perspective, offering free entry to girls and women in nightclubs is simply wrong for several reasons. And sadly, this is a practice that in Spain happens very often. While it may seem like a harmless gesture, it reinforces gender stereotypes, perpetuates inequality, and fails to address the underlying issues that women face in society.

- This sexist practice reinforces gender stereotypes: offering free entry to women implies that women need special incentives or privileges to attend clubs, suggesting that their presence alone is not valuable enough. This perpetuates the notion that women are objects of desire for men and reinforces traditional gender roles and expectations. It also means commodification of women, free entry based on gender can contribute to the objectification women's bodies. It reduces women to mere commodities or attractions, emphasizing their
- value primarily in terms of their appeal.
- 19 It creates exclusion of marginalized groups. This practice assumes a binary understanding of 20 gender, neglecting the experiences and identities of individuals who do not conform to 21 traditional gender norms. It may exclude transgender and non-binary individuals who may not 22 fit into the prescribed categories of "men" or "women," thereby reinforcing exclusionary 23 practices.
- Additionally, it perpetuates inequality by not addressing the deeper issues of gender inequality and discrimination that women face in society. It is a superficial attempt to create the illusion of progress while ignoring the need for substantive change in areas such as equal pay, reproductive rights, and combating gender-based violence.
- Finally, it also reinforces male entitlement, by fostering the idea that men are entitled to women's attention, time, and presence. It can contribute to an environment where men feel justified in making unwanted advances or engaging in disrespectful behaviour towards women.
- As Young European Socialists, fighting to end this practice aligns with our feminist principles of equality, justice, and respect for all genders. Instead of perpetuating gender-based privileges or treating women as objects, efforts should be focused on creating inclusive spaces that promote equality and respect for everyone, regardless of gender. This involves



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challenging gender stereotypes, advocating for equal treatment, and addressing the systemic barriers that hinder gender equality in all aspects of society.

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38 Thus, YES demands:

- To all Member Organizations to be aware that this sexist practice still does exist in some Member States and other European countries.

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To take the compromise to raise awareness among their citizens to change the wrong perspective some may have as this practice favours girls and women.

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- To raise awareness also among girls and women, who sometimes do not have the needed resources to identify this as a wrong practice and to not be a part of this.

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- To actively work to end this in all MOs countries.