

Objectives



Develop new knowledge on gender-based violence

By understanding the context

- > Collect evidence from existing data and map national policies and legal frameworks to identify key issues and gaps in research.

By collecting evidence

- > Gather and analyse quantitative and qualitative empirical evidence on gender-based violence in universities and research organisations.



Design operational tools for combatting gender-based violence

By producing insights

- > Develop policy recommendations, tailored toolkits, capacity-building activities and trainings.

By ensuring impact

- > Design sustainable solutions via a co-creation approach and create a community of universities and research organisations willing to eradicate gender-based violence in their institution.



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UniSAFE
ENDING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE



Making universities and research organisations safe from gender-based violence

by producing better knowledge and translating it into operational tools and recommendations.

Mission

Gender-based violence in research organisations and universities is a complex and persistent force. It harmfully impacts individuals, institutions and the quality of research and education. It also tends to be underestimated in the European research area.

From 2021 to 2024, the EU-funded UniSAFE project aims to produce better knowledge on gender-based violence in this field and translate it into operational tools and recommendations for higher education, research organisations and policymakers.

Impact

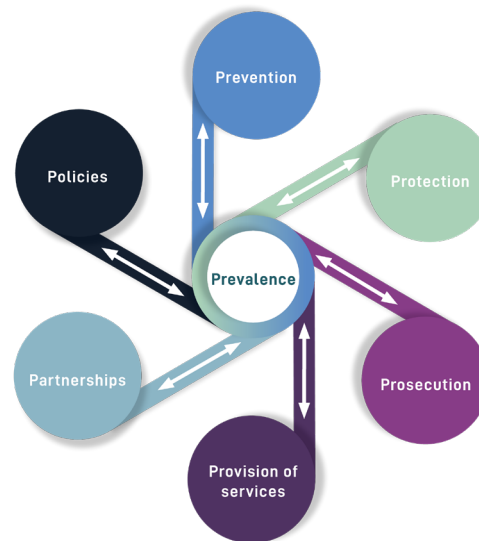
UniSAFE is designed to have four long-term sustainable impacts:

- > A better understanding of gender-based violence in research performing organisations.
- > Effective policies and measures implemented in research performing organisations.
- > Increased capacity of students and staff to address gender-based violence.
- > Decrease in gender-based violence in academia and research workplaces in Europe.

Methodology

To develop the necessary knowledge to combat and eradicate gender-based violence, the UniSAFE project relies on an ambitious comparative multi-level research design and a holistic analytical model.

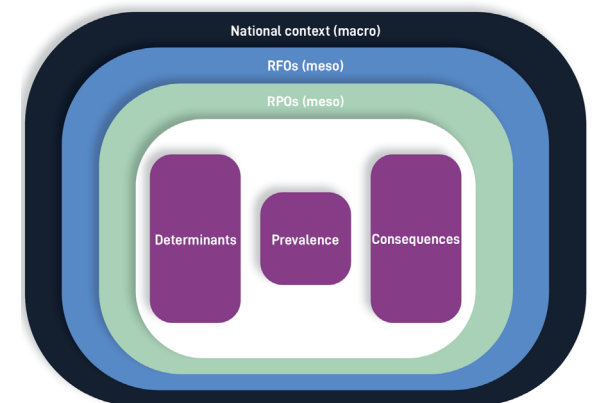
The main focus of the project is gathering empirical evidence on the prevalence of gender-based violence, understanding its determinants and consequences and analysing how it responds to the role of research organisations in preventing, protecting, prosecuting and providing services, supported by policies and partnerships.



UniSAFE's 7P model

Each of these mechanisms is investigated at multiple levels.

- > **At the micro level**, UniSAFE analyses prevalence, determinants and consequences of gender-based violence through a survey among 45 research organisations.
- > **At the meso level**, organisational responses and infrastructures are investigated through case studies, interviews and policy mapping in 15 EU states.
- > **At the macro level**, the project maps legal and policy frameworks in 27 EU countries and 3 associated states.



UniSAFE's conceptual framework

UniSAFE's partners

