

For details of the result by country, visit <http://www.womenlobby.org/> and http://www.womenlobby.org/SiteResources/data/MediaArchive/Newsflash/NF2009/Women%20in%20the%20new%20EP%20July%202009_EN.pdf

Gender Audit Report

The European Women's Lobby 50/50 Campaign for Democracy published a **Gender Audit Report of Electoral Lists and Political Programmes**, in view of the European elections 2009.

The Gender Audit looks at political programmes and electoral lists for the European elections from a women's rights perspective. It evaluates the political parties' commitment to gender equality in view of the European Parliament elections 2009.

The report concludes that most political parties do not consider equality between women and men as a key priority in light of the European elections 2009, despite the strong competence of the European Union in the area. You are invited to read the whole **report** in (EN, FR) as well as the **press release** (EN, FR, GR) and the **summary** (EN, FR, DE).

http://www.womenlobby.org/SiteResources/data/MediaArchive/policies/5050/gender_audit_report_2009.pdf

Continuing the 50/50 Democracy campaign for 'EU Top Jobs'

The EWL 50/50 Campaign for Democracy continues with a lobbying action for the nominations for the new members of the European Commission and for the other "EU Top Jobs". The action is based on letters (see annex) to **mobilise to support the EWL 50/50 campaign ahead of the 29-30 October European Council**, which will deal with the nominations for the so-called "EU top jobs".

- Please **translate, complete, sign and send off the model letter** to your head of state/government.
- Please **collect signatures from high profile supporters of the 50/50 campaign in your country for an Open letter, and send it to key press and media!** For information on the signatories of the 50/50 petition, please check the campaign website <http://www.5050democracy.eu/>

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SI/E Rep to the EWL
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Annex:

Model Lobbying Letter to be sent to EU Heads of State and Government before 25.10.2009

Model Open Letter to be sent to press and media before 25.10.2009