

Growing equality between men and women is undoubtedly positive, but the rapid pace of change had caused some alarm. Does this reflect a certain nostalgia for our patriarchal past or a resistance to accept uniform gender relations?

How can we learn to live together and enjoy the benefits of our differences, without feeling that our identities are challenged? How can we move towards equality between men and women, while also respecting these differences?

This three-day session will explore today's "new deal" in male/female relations.

It will leverage inputs from stakeholders and researchers in various domains: sociology, philosophy, psychoanalysis, anthropology, theology, history, etc.

And most presentations will be given by complementary male and female speakers.

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Friday

Reviewing male/female equality today: a fast changing situation

Morning

How equal are men and women today?

How equal are men and women in the workplace, at home, in political life, in terms of access to education? This presentation will draw on statistical facts, as well as incorporating symbolic and interpretative evidence.

► By **Brigitte Grésy**, inspector general of social affairs, **Claude Martin**, sociologist.

A historical overview of men and women

Appraising the effects of the claim to male/female equality requires us to compare and contrast the history of men and women.

► By **Michelle Perrot**, historian, **Georges Vigarello**, sociologist.

Afternoon

Male/female equality across the world: a contrasting landscape

How is male/female equality viewed in different cultures, religions and countries?

► By **Franck Fregosi**, sociologist, **Viviane Reding**, vice president of the European Commission, **Khoudia Sow**, sociologist and doctor.

Debate facilitated by **Dominique Fonlupt**, associate editor of *La Vie*.

Liberation and destabilisation

The movement for equality seems to cause unease and dissent. Is this because of a deep-seated conservatism, or because of more understandable concerns about the changing foundations of social relations built on difference?

► By **Jacques Arènes**, psychoanalyst, **Geneviève Fraisse**, philosopher.

Evening play

"From Courteline to Guilty: men and women, *modus operandi*"

► **Archicube** theatre company, directed by **Christophe Barbier**.

Saturday

From progress in male/female equality to progress in male/female relations

Morning

Metamorphosis of our difference

The historical domination of men over women has conditioned our way of understanding the world, our philosophy and even our theology. How should we address the issue of their difference today?

► By **Sylviane Agacinski**, philosopher.

Biblical anthropology of male/female relations

What can we learn about male/female relations by combining Christian thought and modern anthropology?

► By **Véronique Margron**, moral theologian, **Jean-Pierre Rosa**, philosopher.

Debate facilitated by **Antoine Nouis**, editorial director of *Réforme*.

Afternoon

WORKSHOPS: Enhancing male/female equality

What is our personal attitude towards male/female relations?

Working in small groups, using games and discussions and exchanging best practice, we shall try to identify ways of enhancing male/female equality, while also respecting our differences.

Men and women within the Church

In an institution with an exclusively male hierarchy, what approaches can realistically be employed to leverage women's increasing contribution?

► By **Maria Voce**, president of the Focolare Movement, **Alphonse Borrás**, theologian.

Debate facilitated by **Anne Ponce**, editorial director of *Pèlerin*.

Sunday



Equal but different: good news for us all

Morning

Equality in the workplace

How can we balance work and family life, drive a change in mindset that will open certain professional domains to women, and achieve greater equality in terms of salary and responsibilities?

► By **Laurence Laigo**, trade unionist, federal secretary, CFDT, **Laurence Parisot**, president of the employer's association, ME-DEF.

Debate facilitated by **François Ernenwein**, managing editor of *la Croix*.

Marriage and family life

Family structures are changing, and life expectancy is rising. How can we continue promoting lasting commitment in marriage?

► By **Florence** and **Marc de Leyritz**, founders and leaders of Alpha-France, **Jean-Philippe Pierron**, philosopher.

Afternoon

Education and sexuality

What does becoming a man or woman mean to today's teenagers? Can quality male/female relations be taught?

► By **François Content**, managing director of Apprentis d'Auteuil, **Marie Derain**, in charge of child protection at the French office for human rights.

Debate facilitated by **Dominique Quinio**, director of *la Croix*.

Conclusions

► By **Jérôme Vignon**, president of Semaines sociales de France.

Mass

Led by Bishop **Michel Santier**, Bishop of Créteil.

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