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Eve Ensler invites to stand up against violence towards women and to join the campaign "One Billion Rising (V-day)": - extracts from the press conference - extracts from the demonstration "DANCE to rise against violence against women"

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Today the American playwright and activist for the rights of women, Eve ENSLER, visited the European Parliament to invite Europeans to stand up against violence towards women and to join her campaign "One Billion Rising (V-day)" the next 14th of February. Eve ENSLER is the writer of the well known and award-winning play of "The Vagina Monologues", and she also has created this V-Day global activist movement that has as aim to stop violence against women. The actual campaign that she came to announce is the "One Billion Rising", where people are invited to walk out, rise and dance to demand the stop of violence. She reminded people that one in three women on the planet is raped or beaten in her lifetime.

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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
00:00:00	Title	00:00:05
00:00:05	Exterior view of the EP, Brussels	00:00:05
00:00:10	General view of the meeting rooms (5 shots)	00:00:28
00:00:38	SOUNDBITE (English) Eve ENSLER, American playwright and women rights activist "Gang rape is not a think that happened only in India. We know that happened in Europe, we know that happened in America, we know that happened in the entire planet. We like to think in Europe, we like to think in America that its a problem over there. But statistics on violence against women are equally high, bitterly is equally high, rape is high. We try to reinforce these cases, because women are squared to go to court and the legislative process in so complex. We look in to how encourage women to come forward how we will surround women with protection so they can prosecute, and how we can enforce the good laws that we already have".	00:00:38

00:01:16	SOUNDBITE (English) Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN (EPP,FI) There is violence that is psychological, violence that is sociological, there are violence that is economic, when people are deprived of their rights and are deprived from any economic resources, to make change happening in their lives.	00:00:20
00:01:36	SOUNDBITE (English) Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN (EPP,FI) "Women right are human rights, and of course, violence against anyone, being a child, a man or a woman in the world has to stop. If we look at the massive violence is against women, that means a half of the population. So I'm putting the question in the Parliament: Isn't in our competences, isn't in our powers and in our duty and our ethical convictions to make that kind of legislation in the European Union".	00:00:35
00:02:11	SOUNDBITE (English) Ana GOMES (S&D, PT) "Definitely, the families are very much hurt of the economic crises, and obviously who pays the brand more in the families are the women. Every day, even today, you wee the newspapers full of cases of collective suicide of families, or murders. And on top of everything the women are the ones that have to endure the pressure of the man, make the children move forward".	00:00:42
00:02:53	Cutaways(3 shots)	00:00:19
00:03:12	Views with MEP's dancing in the EP (20 shots) The aim of the action is to fight against violence. One in three women on the planet is raped or beaten in her lifetime. That is ONE BILLION WOMEN violated. One billion daughters, mothers, grandmothers, sisters, lovers and friends. Across the world, one billion people will WALK OUT, DANCE, RISE UP, and DEMAND an end to this violence. ONE BILLION RISING will move the earth.	00:01:44
00:04:56	END	00:00:00

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