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Sexual Harassment in Higher Education Institutions and Research Performing Organizations

No means no! I was just joking, he said I’m fed up of being silent I can’t believe it happens in my lab!

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Gender-based violence is widespread in every place, every culture, every geographical area and every social class. Higher education and research are not exempt from this phenomenon, and indeed, violence, marginalization, discrimination and other forms of abuses against women are as frequent as elsewhere. A particular aspect of this violence is sexual harassment, which includes attitudes put in place in individual terms, suffered specifically by individuals and operated by individuals or groups. These may be physical, moral or social. We will focus on harassment by men against women.

What do we mean about harassment in European countries? It is necessary to take steps forward that lead to quantification, awareness and to the activation of a mechanism, especially social, which will finally bring to a solution. Prevention is better than cure: we need to find ways to address the problem.

It is a long journey, but in this historical moment, it is not only possible, but a duty and almost easy to start, following the example of many other women in several fields.