

ABOUT US

The BVNM is an alliance of organisations and persons who advocate for a progressive and human-rights-based approach to prostitution and for the realisation of the Nordic Model or Equality Model in Germany.

We are non-profit and both politically and religiously independent. We understand our diversity as a strength with which we aim to achieve a fundamental change in the public understanding of prostitution.

- Training, transfer of expertise for members and third parties
- Organisation of conferences and lectures
- Awareness raising for the public and information about human trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation, the sexism, racism, violence and discrimination in prostitution
- Development and implementation of awareness and prevention programs to counteract gender-specific violence against women and girls long-term and to make the system of prostitution socially and intergenerationally unacceptable through anti-sexist education

Work for a change in thinking with us!

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- Member (organisations and initiatives)
- Supporting member
- Donor

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FEDERAL ASSOCIATION NORDIC MODEL

for the implementation of the
EQUALITY MODEL
in Germany e.V.



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THE NORDIC MODEL

The elements of the Nordic Model must be understood as a whole. It develops its long-term effect in the interplay of the individual measures.

The Nordic Model recognises prostitution as a type of sex-specific violence. Support for those affected is therefore an indispensable part of the model.

Decriminalisation of prostituted people

Reinforcing the rights through abolition of sanctions and prevention of revictimisation



Criminalisation of all profiteers: johns, pimps/loverboys, brothel managers and human traffickers

Ban on the purchase of sex
Criminal liability for all forms of pimping and any profiting from the prostitution of another person



Exit Assistance, Protection and Support, Rehabilitation

Nation-wide comprehensive establishment of specialised counseling services and exit programs, healthcare



Prevention and Education

Targeted, public information and awareness campaigns, education programs



The john

The john through his demand creates a „market“ for prostitution and makes it profitable for pimps and human traffickers. It's the johns who enact direct violence against prostituted people and harm them physically and psychologically. Prostituted people remain free of punishment under the Nordic Model.

What's prohibited is the purchase of sex: the john is punished. This not only leads to a reduction of the demand, but has also been proven to result in a societal shift of perspective. Sex purchase becomes seen as a form of violence.

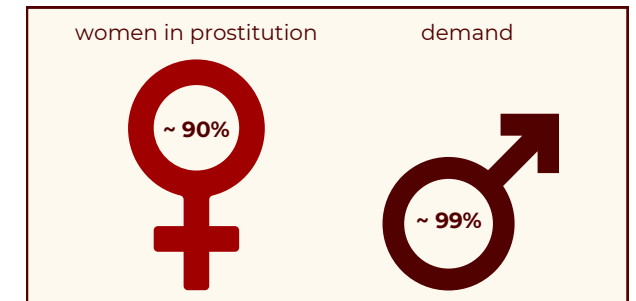
Gender Relations in Prostitution

Prostitution is rooted in patriarchal structures that cause male entitlement towards the female body. The majority of prostituted people is female, while the demand is almost exclusively by men.

The system of prostitution makes people, mainly women, to objects and therefore opposes women's rights and human dignity.

Prostitution is a significant obstacle for gender equality. It reveals and reinforces gender stereotypes as well as the power imbalance between women and men.

Gender equality means that women and men should have the same chances and rights in the realisation of their needs and goals.



Prostitution is the one-sided satisfaction of the male demand at the expense of women. Most women experience prostitution as severe violence. Prostitution is an expression of and solidifies social inequality.

Prostitution violates the right to sexual self-determination and has nothing to do with self-realisation.