

### **CIM Strengthens Strategic Partnerships in Spain to Advance Women's Rights**

*- A high-level mission strengthened bi-regional cooperation in women's leadership, care, political participation, prevention of violence, and education for equality.*

*- The agenda was accompanied and supported by Ambassador Carmen Montón, Permanent Observer of Spain to the OAS.*

**Madrid, October 24, 2025.** The Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) of the Organization of American States (OAS) conducted a mission to Spain to strengthen cooperation in leadership, democracy, and political participation.

The Executive Secretary of the CIM/OAS, Alejandra Mora Mora, met with Éricka Rodríguez, Director of Fundación Carolina, to discuss common priorities: women's leadership, parity democracy, care, and prevention of violence.

In the area of equality for rural women, the CIM held a dialogue with the Federation of Rural Women's Associations (FADEMUR) to make their contributions visible and advance partnerships during the Inter-American Decade of Rural Women.

In the area of development cooperation, the meeting with Antón Leis García, Director of the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), enabled the consolidation of achievements and the planning of new initiatives with regional impact.

With a view to the Ibero-American Summit, the CIM held a dialogue with Susana Sumelzo Jordán, Secretary of State for Ibero-America, the Caribbean, and Spanish in the World, to define priority areas for political collaboration.

Within the framework of promoting women's human rights, the discussion at Casa de América, entitled "Building Bridges for Equality," highlighted the historical and current role of the CIM in the construction of more egalitarian democracies.

The articulation of equality policies was reinforced in the meeting with Ana Redondo, Minister of Equality of Spain, focused on accelerating a shared agenda of rights, justice, and substantive equality for all women.

Concerning education and prevention of gender-based violence, the CIM and the Organization of Ibero-American States (OEI) agreed to strengthen initiatives to guarantee democratic institutions free of discrimination and violence.

The dialogue with José Félix Tezanos, President of the Center for Sociological Research (CIS), made it possible to share findings from the recent survey on youth and gender stereotypes.

Finally, within the framework of the right to care, the CIM and the University of Valencia promoted a Chair on Care Policies and Women's Rights, aimed at strengthening technical capacities for the implementation of public policies on care.