

# La questione dell'uguaglianza di genere tra normatività e ineffettività

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## *Gender Equality between Normativity and Ineffectiveness*

*Abstract:* According to Italian Constitution, family is a natural society founded on marriage (art. 29 Cost.). This definition both reflects and consolidates a regressive view of family that results in female subordination. This essay argues that the female emancipation was also a struggle against the natural (private, i.e. masculine controlled) character of the family and the indissolubility of marriage. Although a long way has been made, in Italy substantial equality has not yet been achieved: more guarantees are in need. In particular, this essay focuses on both negative and positive guarantees, showing how both are important and justified. However, a central thesis of this paper is that equality should be achieved at a global level through a Constitution of Earth which only can make effective the universal rights of all men and women.

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