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Italy is located in Southern Europe, jutting out into the Mediterranean Sea, Adriatic Sea, and other waters. It has borders with France, Switzerland, Austria, and Slovenia.  Italy covers an area of 301,340 km2, with a population little more than 60 million. The official language of the country is Italian. It is the third most populous member state of the European Union and the tenth largest country by land area in the European continent, Rome being the country’s largest and capital city. Furthermore, Italy is a founding member of NATO as well as the European Union (EU). The main economic incomes of the country is tourism and agriculture.

It is an undeniable fact that the unfairness between male and female rights started a long time ago with the humanity itself which led to women having to stand up for themselves. As the world continued to evolve, the need of providing the balance and equality concerning women rights have become a global issue. Women have been ignored and avoided for such a long time that the perception of leaving them behind has become a fact. Nevertheless, the idea of women engaging in politics, in STEM, in many various industries is crucial rather than optional. Women in Italy are appreciated with their qualifications and enrollment in many fields and Italy should be a clear example of gender equality by all means.

On the other hand, the place of women in such a digital era is a top priority concern for Italy. The undesired gap between the genders has been expanding each day globally. Whether women are recruited in technology business world, take parts with high level titles or even permitted to use mobile phones or internet seem a bit intriguing since this is a way of violating their human right. One should be aware of the fact that technology is the main tool to enable to close the gender gap and unfortunately women, even if in 21st century, are still trying to break down the barriers. Allowing women to have access and careers in tech industry will help humanity to grow and to sustain.

To conclude, Italy feels that all adjustments mentioned above will not happen over a night. However, it is significant that taking steps even they are small is better than doing nothing at all. Italy will stand with the idea that women should be recognized as great contributors to society and greater than that, for the sake of humanity.

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