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More progressive than Guru Bohuslav

When ČSSD decided at its party congress in March that it should drop the 40% quota for women on its candidate lists, some progressives saw it as an atavistic move to nullify the good work of their guru, Bohuslav Sobotka. The quota was hard to meet but was at least motivational; without it, ČSSD would revert to its old chauvinistic ways. But let's not be so quick to gender judge revisionists Jan Hamáček and Martin Netolický. Art. 48 of Guru Bohuslav's progressive text read as follows: "At least 40% of all candidates on the candidate lists for regional assemblies and the Chamber of Deputies must be made up of people of the opposite sex." That's straightforward enough when there are just two sexes - at least 40% women, or 40% men if the women at some point dominate. But how can this be implemented when there are suddenly as many as 70 different genders? They can't all have their own 40%. Hamáček and Netolický are gender geniuses who are planning for the future.

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