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RURAL WOMEN IN A CHANGING WORLD:
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

Women2000 and Beyond: Rural women in a changing world: Opportunities and challenges

Abstract:

Women play a critical role in the rural economies of both developed and developing countries. In most parts of the developing world, they participate in crop production and livestock care, provide food, water and fuel for their families, and engage in off-farm activities to diversify the family income. In addition, they carry out vital functions in caring for children, older persons and the sick. This issue of Women 2000 and Beyond explores the situation of rural women and the full diversity of their experiences in the context of the changing rural economy, including their position within households, community and economic structures; the gender division of labour; their access to and control over resources; and their participation in decision-making. It focuses specifically on the situation of rural women in developing countries. This publication aims to highlight women's contributions to the social, economic and political aspects of rural development and raise critical issues for improving the situation of rural women.

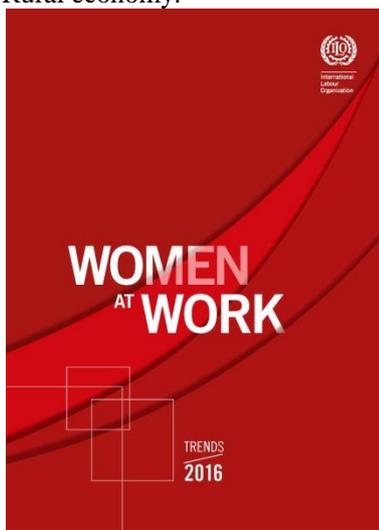
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Tags: Gender in development; Gender mainstreaming; Rural development; Women's labor; Developing countries; Rural economy.



Women at Work Trends 2016

Abstract:

Since the ILO's founding in 1919, gender equality and non-discrimination have been pillars of its mission to promote social justice through the world of work. As the Organization approaches its second century, it has chosen to focus on women at work as one of its centenary initiatives. Women at Work: Trends 2016 is a key contribution to these efforts and seeks to further the central goals of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda. The report provides a picture of where women stand today in the world of work and how they have progressed over the past 20 years. It examines the global and regional labour market trend and gaps, including in labour force participation rates, employment-to-population rates and unemployment rates, as well as differences in the type and status in employment, hours spent in paid and unpaid work, sectoral segregation and gender gaps in wages and social protection. It also presents an in-depth analysis of the gender gaps in the quality of work and explores the key policy drivers for gender transformative change. The discussions and related recommendations focus on three main dimensions: sectoral and occupational segregation, the gender wage gap, and gaps in the policy framework for work and family integration.

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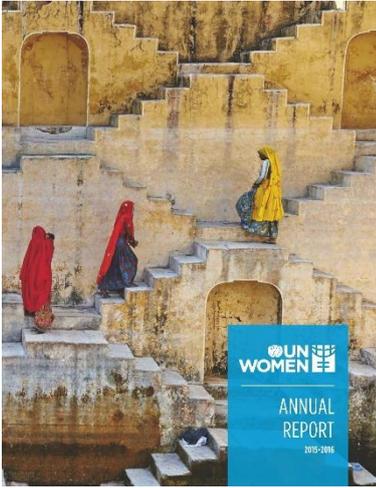
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Author : Laura Addati ... [et al.]
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Tags:

Women workers; Equal rights; Labour force participation; Unemployment; Labour market segmentation; Gender equality ; Sex discrimination; Social protection; Family responsibilities; Developing countries



UN women annual report 2015-2016

Abstract:

The Annual Report documents UN Women's work to foster women's empowerment and gender equality around the world. It highlights some of the organization's initiatives during the year and provides summary financial statements, a list of new programmes and projects, and contact information. 2015 was UN Women's fifth year. As we marked this milestone, UN Member States agreed on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which recognizes the transformative power of women and girls. Our work around the world contributes to turning the promise of the Sustainable Development Goals into reality. Working with our diverse partners, we deliver results, from advancing norms and standards, to expanding women's leadership and participation, bolstering women's economic empowerment, and ending violence against women and girls.

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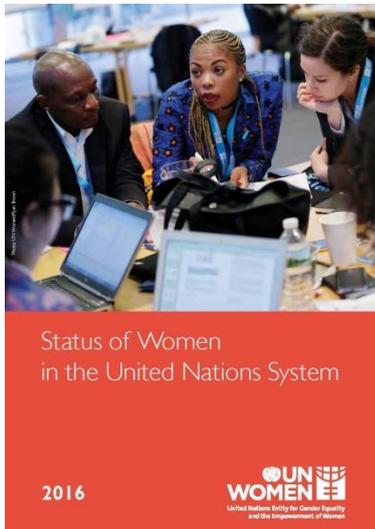
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Women workers; Equal rights; Gender equality ; Social protection; Women's empowerment; Gender in development; Gender mainstreaming; Gender policies; Women's labor.



Status of Women in the United Nation System

Abstract:

Among its other responsibilities, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) is mandated to lead, promote and coordinate accountability for the work of the United Nations (UN) system on gender equality and the empowerment of women. It does so, among other things, by monitoring and reporting on the status of women in the UN system, and advocating for their equal representation at all levels and in all occupations. Progress to achieve the equal representation of women across levels and everywhere in the UN system requires a multi-pronged approach based on evidence and analysis. The equal representation of women at all levels is first attained through the selection, appointment and advancement of women. It is then facilitated by an organizational culture that is conducive to and supportive of their success. And, finally, it is sustained by ensuring systematic and meaningful accountability. This publication provides a snapshot of trends and statistical data on various aspects of the representation of women in the UN system, including system-wide accountability, as well as findings related to organizational culture and examples of entity practices. Thirty-five entities provided data to UN Women, which was used in this publication in three sections: “Representation of Women”, “Selection, Appointments, Career Advancement, and Separations” and “Accountability and the Way Forward”. Of these, 27 entities also completed a survey that informs the section on “Organizational Culture”.

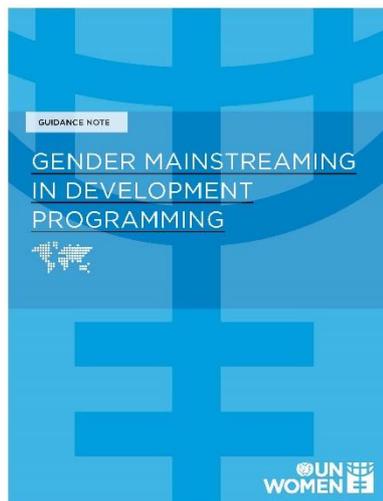
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Tags: Gender policies; Gender gap; Gender awareness; Gender equality ; Women’s empowerment; Gender in development; Gender mainstreaming; Women’s labor.



Gender mainstreaming in development programming : guidance note

Abstract:

Gender mainstreaming is mandated by the 1995 Beijing Platform for Action as a strategic approach for achieving gender equality and women's empowerment at all levels of development. This publication displays how the Platform commits all stakeholders in development policies and programmes, including United Nations entities, Member States, the international development community and civil society actors, to take action.

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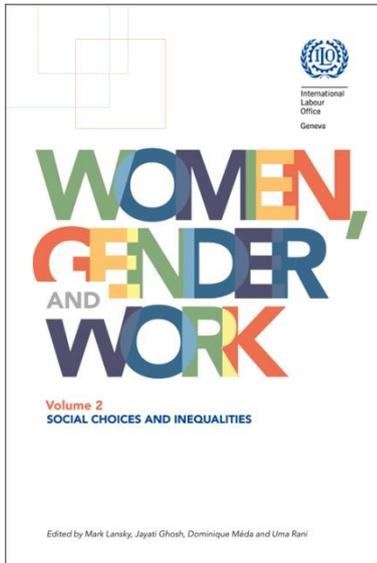
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Tags:

Gender mainstreaming; Gender equality; Women's empowerment; Gender policies; Development policies; Gender awareness; Gender in development; Participatory approaches.



Women, gender and work: Social choices and inequalities. Volume 2

Abstract:

On many aggregate measures of labour market performance, gender gaps have narrowed steadily across much of the world. Yet, the statistical picture is not entirely what it seems. The gaps have often narrowed through levelling down, and gendered social regulation still powerfully shapes the life choices of women and men. This second volume of *Women, Gender and Work* features some 30 recent articles selected from the *International Labour Review*, offering the insights of economists, sociologists and lawyers into a wide range of gender issues and country settings, from Mali to Switzerland, from Jamaica to Malaysia.

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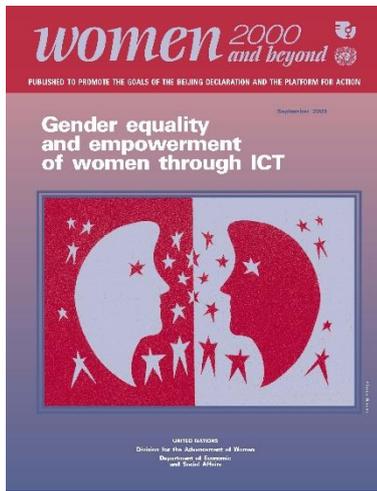
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Gender equality; Women's labor; Gender gap; Women's empowerment; Gender policies; Development policies; Gender awareness.



Women2000 and Beyond: Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women through ICT

Abstract:

“The so-called digital divide is actually several gaps in one. There is a technological divide—great gaps in infrastructure. There is a content divide. A lot of web-based information is simply not relevant to the real needs of people. And nearly 70 per cent of the world’s websites are in English, at times crowding out local voices and views. There is a gender divide, with women and girls enjoying less access to information technology than men and boys. This can be true of rich and poor countries alike.”- United Nations Secretary-General, Kofi Annan's statement to the World Summit on the Information Society, Geneva, 10 December 2003. This issue of **Women2000 and Beyond** focuses on the gender digital divide. It reviews the gender dimensions of ICT and how the United Nations has addressed the issues of gender equality and ICT. It explores potentials for empowering women through ICT and strategies to address the gender digital divide including at the national level.

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Gender in development; Information and Communication Technologies (icts); Gender mainstreaming; Women’s labor; Digital divide; Gender equality.



Gender Strategy for the FNS-CELAC PLAN

Abstract:

The objective of this Plan is to contribute to "achieving concrete results that will lead to significant improvements in the quality of life of our peoples, aimed at the eradication of poverty, especially extreme poverty, which guarantee food security with a gender focus and respecting the diversity of dietary habits, in order to meet the challenges of food security and nutrition with a view to eradicating hunger and enjoying the Right to Food, especially in vulnerable sectors of the population".

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Food security; Food safety; Human nutrition; Right to Food; Human rights; Gender equality; Role of women; Women's empowerment; Gender in development; Rural communities; Developing countries.

GUIDANCE NOTE

**Gender, food security and nutrition
in protracted crises**

Women and girls as agents of resilience



Gender, Food Security and Nutrition in Protracted Crises

Abstract:

This note focuses on the topic of gender in protracted crisis situations. It advocates that FAO's mandate to achieve food security for all by raising levels of nutrition, increasing agricultural productivity and natural resource management, and improving the lives of rural populations can only be achieved through gender equality. Past experience can provide guidance on how to address gender equality as part of food and nutrition security interventions in situations of protracted crisis. Understanding and addressing how men and women of different ages are specifically affected by protracted crises is critical for effective and sustainable food and nutrition security interventions. The note includes case studies from FAO's interventions in protracted crisis situations.

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