







5th meeting of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEG-GS) in the Arab Countries

Amman, Jordan, 15-16 October 2018

Provisional Agenda The Statistics Division at the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) is pleased to convene two back-to-back meetings on Gender Statistics; the 5th meeting of the Inter Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEG-GS) in the Arab Countries, from 15-16 October, and the Regional training workshop to improve use of existing data for monitoring gender equality and women's empowerment, from 17- 18 October, 2018 in Amman; the latter is implemented under the umbrella of the Tenth Development Account (DA10) Programme on Statistics and Data.

The Gender Statistics meetings brings together experts from the National Statistical Offices, Women Machineries, regional and international experts to review and discuss development of gender statistics for evidence-based policy making.

The IAEG-GS will discuss two main topics: (i) methods for compiling and calculating the Sustainable Development Goal 5 (SDG5) indicators, and (ii) the final version of the ESCWA Household Survey Questionnaire on Violence against Women presently being peer reviewed at the country level. Countries will share good practices in compiling and calculating SDG5 in the areas of their competencies. The expected outcome of the IAEG-GS will be the Arab Toolkit for SDG5, and ESCWA Household Survey Questionnaire on Violence against Women.

The Regional training workshop aims to improve technical capabilities in producing gender statistics to monitor SDG Tier I and II gender indicators and in disseminating, communicating and using statistics and indicators. ESCWA certified trainers from the countries attending ESCWA first Training of Trainers in the Dead Sea in 2016 will collaborate to present their localized modules of the Gender Statistics Toolkit, share their action plans and progress in rolling-out the national Programmes on Gender Statistics including progress made on the elearning tool developed by ESCWA. The workshop will cover topics such as: integrating a gender perspective into official statistics; presenting, disseminating and communicating gender statistics; and improving gender statistics literacy among data users. The expected outcome of the workshop will assist countries in their efforts to mainstream gender into their national statistical systems, which will result in improved availability and use of gender statistics at the national, regional and international levels for better evidence-based gender policies.

In this context, NSOs are invited to participate through their senior gender statistical experts/ Training Team Leaders to make presentations towards the relevant sessions as per the latest gender statistics activities implemented in coordination and collaboration with the Statistics Division at ESCWA. In addition, ESCWA would appreciate the NSO to extend the invitation to a national counterpart collaborating to implement the Gender Statistics Toolkit Programme at the national level.

The key objectives of the workshop are:

- Strengthen national capacity in producing gender statistics
- Enhance monitoring and reporting on Tier I and II gender indicators
- Adopt international methods to measure SDG 5 indicators
- Exchange and share good practices and lessons learned on gender statistics training tools and implementation of the Gender Statistics Toolkit at national level

Day 1 (15 Oct 2018)	Provisional Agenda
8:30	Registration of participants
9:00	Welcoming address
10:00	Session 1: Women power, decision making and time use 5.b.1 Proportion of individuals who own a mobile telephone, by sex and age group 15-49 years (ITU) 5.4.1 Proportion of time spent on unpaid domestic and care work, by sex, age and location (UNSD) 5.5.1(a) Proportion of seats held by women in (a) national parliaments (IPU) 5.5.1(b) Proportion of seats held by women in (b) local governments (UN Women) 5.5.2 Proportion of women in managerial positions (ILO) 5.6.1 Proportion of women aged 15-49 years who make their own informed decisions regarding sexual relations, contraceptive use and reproductive health care (UNFPA) 5.6.2 Number of countries with laws and regulations that guarantee women aged 15-49 access to sexual and reproductive health care, information and education (UNFPA) Agency and country presentation Discussion
11:15	Coffee Break - Group Photo

11:30	Session 2: Violence against women
	5.2.1 Proportion of ever-partnered women and girls aged 15 years and older subjected to physical, sexual or psychological violence by a current or former intimate partner in the previous 12 months, by form of violence and by age 5.2.2 Proportion of women and girls aged 15 years and older subjected to sexual violence by persons other than an intimate partner in the previous 12 months, by age and place of occurrence 5.3.1 Proportion of women aged 20-24 years who were married or in a union before age 15 and before age 18 (UNICEF) 5.3.2 Proportion of girls and women aged 15-49 years who have undergone female genital mutilation/cutting, by age (UNICEF)
	Agency and country presentation
	Discussion
13:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 17:00	Session 3: Regional VAW questionnaire for Arab countries
Coffee Break 15:30	ESCWA – ESCWA module for VAW questionnaire Morocco – Peer review of ESCWA VAW module Palestine – national questionnaire Discussion
Day 2 (16 Oct 2018)	
8:30	Session 4: legal framework and women's equal rights to land ownership and/or control
	5.a.1(a) Proportion of total agricultural population with ownership or secure rights over agricultural land, by sex; (FAO) 5.a.1(b) Share of women among owners or rights-bearers of agricultural land, by type of tenure (FAO) 5.a.2 Proportion of countries where the legal framework (including customary law) guarantees women's equal rights to land ownership and/or control (FAO)
	Agency and country presentation
	Discussion
10:00	Session 5: Qualitative indicators and other matters
	Indicator 5.1.1: Whether or not legal frameworks are in place to

	promote, enforce and monitor equality and non-discrimination on the basis of sex Indicator 5.c.1: Percentage of countries with systems to track and make public allocations for gender equality and women's empowerment 5.a.2 Proportion of countries where the legal framework (including customary law) guarantees women's equal rights to land ownership and/or control Discussion
11:15	Coffee Break
11:30 – 13:00	Conclusion and Recommendations
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch