Measuring Gender Equality in the UNECE Region

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Policy relevance

- **Beijing Platform for Action (1995)**
- Millennium Declaration (2000)
- **Sustainable Development Goals (2015)**
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**Exchange of experience**

- Work Sessions
- Topics:
  - Violence against women
  - Gender and the 2030 Agenda
  - Measuring time use and valuing unpaid work
  - Gender issues in vulnerable population groups
  - Use of gender statistics in policymaking and policy monitoring
  - Building partnerships for better gender statistics
  - …
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Methodological work

- Survey module on measuring violence against women (2011)
- Guidelines for harmonizing time-use surveys (2013)
- Indicators of gender equality (2014)
- Valuing unpaid household service work (2017)
- Gendered power and decision-making in the household (2019)

• What is gender statistics?
• Why do we need it?
• How to produce?
• Improving the use
  – Communication
  – Dissemination
• Making it happen
• In English, Russian, Chinese
Guidelines on harmonizing time-use surveys

• Help understand importance
• Key areas:
  – Unpaid work and non-market production
  – Well-being
  – Gender equality
• Guide implementation
• Improve comparability
Indicators of gender equality

• Include headline indicators

• Investigate feasibility, considering
  – Availability in other international databases
  – Resources at the UNECE Statistical Division
  – Response burden to national statistical organizations
  – Feasibility to collect data retroactively for time series
Guide on Valuing Unpaid Household Service Work

- Internationally agreed approach
- Methodological and implementation issues
- Examples
- Suggestions for further research
- Recommendations to national statistical offices on methods for valuing own-use production work of services, and on compiling Household Satellite Accounts
- In English and Russian
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**Capacity-building**

- UN Development Account projects
  - 2017-2020
  - 2013-2015
- A toolkit for training users of gender statistics (2016)
- Workshops
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Data collection and dissemination

• Database: unece.org/data
  – Provide information on the role of women and men in society, economy and family
  – Allow monitoring of outcomes of policy changes
  – Support statistical capacity-building and methodological work
  – By sex
  – English and Russian
Partnerships

- UNFPA
- World Bank
- CISSTAT
- Eurostat
- OECD
- EFTA
Generations and Gender Programme

Generations and Gender Surveys
- a panel survey
- nationally representative sample of 18-79 year-old population
- 3 panel waves
- interval of 3 years between each wave
- 23 countries participate

Contextual databases
- indicators, trends and policies

Analyses of these data
Conclusions

- UNECE activities are demand-driven
- Concrete activities to support national statistical systems:
  - Exchange of experience
  - Methodological work
  - Capacity building
  - Data collection and dissemination
- Regional commissions: platform for addressing common concerns
- Coordination among international organizations, including with CISSTAT