UN/CEFACT and SDG 5

**SDG 5 “Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls”**

- Equal access to
  - economic resources
  - financial services
  - technology
- Equal opportunities for leadership
UN/CEFACT targeted deliverables

- White paper «Women in Trade Facilitation»
- UNECE Recommendation on Women in TF

Mini-conference about Women in TF (Bangkok, 26th of September 2016)

- Mandatory gender trainings
- Trade and gender related courses
- High involvement of women in the activities

43% of UN/CEFACT participants
60% UN/CEFACT Secretariat
- Ensure reflection of gender dimension in norms, rules procedures and access to resources

- Promote equal opportunities for women and men in the scope of the activities of National Trade Facilitation bodies or similar institutions

- Encourage collection, analysis, and monitoring of data related to women’s engagement in international trade and transport facilitation.
UN/CEFACT recommends

Improve access for women to information
- Import and export procedures
- Procedures of border agencies
- Requirements for customs declarations, etc

Building social and economic networks for women
- Enhance opportunities for knowledge, experience sharing, pooling of goods

Eliminate disparities between men and women in
- Transaction costs
- Timing associated with access to markets and services

Increase overall transparency of trade rules and procedures

Improve cooperation with customs authorities, neighbouring and third countries

Increase the measurement and assessment of progress about women engagement in trade facilitation

Support gender-informed standard setting for trade

Design communication strategy for conscious gender balanced perspective in trade facilitation
Thank you very much for your attention!

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