

Gender Mainstreaming in der Legistik

Aims and objectives

The main purpose of gender mainstreaming in legislation is to ensure that legal norms will not exacerbate let alone provoke gender-specific discrimination, since laws and regulations are not gender neutral.

Results and impact

The published “Guidelines for Gender Mainstreaming in Legislation” provides a tool set for a gender impact assessment for (planned) laws.

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Laws and regulations need to be systematically screened for their gender-related impact already at the initial drafting stage. In the course of such screenings the consequences and side effects of planned legal norms can be pinpointed and rectified and/or avoided. The Guidelines for Gender Mainstreaming in Legislation provide users at federal, state and municipal level with practice-oriented proposals on how to achieve the goals set. The Guidelines are supplemented by a checklist and a catalogue of questions. Central question: What is the impact of the foreseen law or regulation on the level of the actual equal opportunities? Will the level be raised, stay constant or decreased?

Metadata

ONGOING: Ne

COVERAGE: NAT

TOOL CATEGORY: [Gender impact assessment](#)

TARGET GROUP: Members of the government, Policy makers / civil servants, Members of the parliament, General population