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What is grey literature? It is literature produced by non-commercial publishers, such as public institutions, universities, research institutes and civil society. It contains a lot of useful content, but is often hard to find as it is scattered across different locations. EIGE has collected grey literature on gender equality and you can access our collection through a simple search interface. EIGE's collection of grey literature is available in several EU languages and documents come from all EU Member States.

The relevance of gender in tourism

Little attention has been paid to how the tourism industry impacts women and men differently. However, tourism presents both opportunities and challenges for women and must subsequently be examined through a gender lens.

Grey literature in EIGE's library

EIGE's library hosts one of the largest collections on gender-related literature related to tourism. The collection presents **good practices** of current policies throughout Europe as well as **gender indicators** aimed at assessing gender equality in tourism. Several resources focus on the ways in which the EU has mainstreamed gender into **policy processes** for tourism. You will also find **research reports** and **statistical documents** providing data on key gender issues related to tourism.

Gender inequalities in the tourism industry

Women are well represented in the tourism industry, however, they often work in **low-skilled and poorly paid jobs**. For example, women are overrepresented in housekeeping and customer service.

Within the library you will find resources highlighting the **structural and cultural factors** which determine the role women play in the tourism sector. Resources also highlight the ways in which women's opportunities in the tourism sector can be enhanced.

Library resources deal with issues such as **occupational sex segregation in the tourism sector**, **wage parity**, **career opportunities**, the role of women with an entrepreneurial sector in the **informal hotel catering/tourism economy**.

Reading list

- Gendered tourist perspectives on access and work in hotels, catering and tourism;
- EU AGRI and resources sector work and employment conditions;
- Sex, land and heritage: women in the tourism in the tourism industry;
- Gender equality in SMEs: activate women over 40 and in the tourism sector.

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