

Beijing+20 factsheet - Area K: Women and the Environment



Policy Context

A global consensus to address environmental issues - particularly concerning climate change and its risks - is emerging gradually with a focus on women's equality, climate, security, social inclusion and high economic cost. Assessment of the differentiated effects of environmental issues on action plans that will be used to tackle gender inequalities and women's ability to respond to their needs is becoming strengthened by the inclusion of women's and men's different consumption habits.

Climate Change Mitigation in the EU in general

- Implements measures in energy efficiency, renewable transport and carbon capture and storage and promotes a greening of agricultural activities and climate change.

Conclusions of the Council of the European Union (June 2012)

- Sets the urgent need to improve gender equality in decision-making in the field of climate change mitigation, especially the transport and energy sectors.
- States that gender-based perspectives and knowledge help promote a gender-egalitarian industrial system and labour market, including measures of the green economy, which are most vital for climate change mitigation (eg. transport and energy sectors).

The European Parliament (2007 - 12)

- Calls on the Commission and the Council to ensure that climate change action does not negatively impact gender equality and to mainstream gender into climate policy.
- Requests the member states to promote and carry out research on multiple factors and their role in the transition.

The European Commission

- Considers energy and transport as a priority area (COM(2007) 694).

The strategic objectives of the BPfA and the EU indicators

- K1.** Foster women's activity in environmental decision-making activities.
- K2.** Strengthen gender-sensitive and ambitious policies and programmes for sustainable development.
- K3.** Strengthen or establish mechanisms of the national governments' international work to ensure the impact of environment and environmental policies activities.

The indicators in the global area of concern were developed jointly following the initiative of the Danish Presidency of the Council of the EU. An environmental challenge was related to women's equality. These indicators focus on the effective women's role in important climate change decision-making areas, especially climate change mitigation. Further, they assess the participation of women and men in the fields of natural science and technology and analyse gender integration within educational courses, education concerning the sector and their strategic functions of area 4 of the BPfA are not available. Thus, these objectives - calling for a better integration of a gender perspective in environmental policies and programmes - remain to be achieved.

The database 'Women and men in the EU - Facts and figures', developed by the European Institute for Gender Equality provides the most data and information on these indicators, available at:

<http://eige.europa.eu/multi-content/indicators-and-data-in-the-2016-facts-and-figures>

Findings from EU-wide data

Slow progress in involving women in environmental decision-making


Involving women in strategic climate-related decisions is not just a domestic objective, but also in calculating their environmental policies and programmes after women and men. The equality of decision-makers in the

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