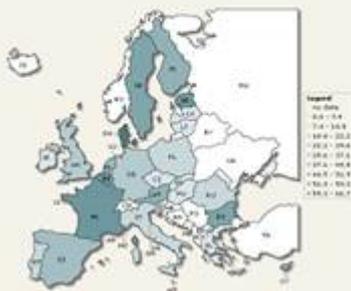


WHAT'S UP AT EIGE?

New data in EIGE's database: Women and men in the EU

Figure: Percentage of women in high-level positions holding with climate change (national assemblies, competent environment, transport and energy, health, 2012)



Are you looking for the newest comparable and reliable data on gender equality in all Member States and at the EU level? EIGE's database is the right source! It covers all the twelve areas of the [Beijing Platform for Action](#) - the document that outlines the international community's commitment regarding gender equality.

The database was created at the end of 2011. In July 2012, the data for 30 indicators have been updated and new indicators have been added to the area: Women and the environment. Thanks to its functionalities, the database enables fast and effective monitoring of gender equality in each area and allows for comparisons over time, both against the EU average and between respective Member States. For example, in the area: Women in Power and Decision-making, it is visible that in 2012 the percentage of women in the local assemblies in the EU Member States is quite low - 32%, but still higher than the percentage of women in the national parliaments - 25%.

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EIGE's report shows that climate needs more women in decision-making



Research conducted by EIGE shows that more women are needed in climate change decision-making to respond to climate change efficiently. Even though women are hit harder by the effects of climate change, they hold only about one-fourth of decision-making positions related to this area in the public sector in the EU. EIGE's report introduces the first EU indicators on gender equality and climate change. The full version of the report '[Review of the Implementation in the EU of area K of the Beijing Platform for Action: Women and the Environment, Gender Equality and Climate Change](#)' is now available online in English. [Main findings](#) of the report are also

Upcoming events

[Expert meeting on Female Genital Mutilation \(FGM\)](#)

Sep 13, 09:00 - 18:00

[4th meeting of the thematic network on Gender Mainstreaming](#)

Sep 20, 12:00 - Sep 21, 13:00

[From practices with potential to good practices in preventing domestic violence](#)

Sep 27, 09:00 - 16:00

[Gender Budgeting in the ESF - Opportunities, Examples and Limits](#)

Sep 27, 10:00 - 17:00

[Fifth Meeting of the Working Group on the Beijing indicators](#)

Oct 10 - Oct 11

[Resource & Documentation Centre: Pilot project on gender-based violence evaluation meeting](#)

Oct 11, 09:00 - 18:00

[Advancing Gender Training to Support Effective Gender Mainstreaming](#)

Nov 13 - Nov 14

Do you have events to include? Please send us an email (see email below)

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available in Danish, German and French.

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EPSCO adopted indicators on women and environment, based on EIGE's report



On 21 June 2012, [EPSCO adopted conclusions on gender equality and climate change](#) – including the first EU indicators in the area: Women and the Environment of the Beijing Platform for Action. The conclusions were prepared by the Danish Presidency on the basis of EIGE's report.

The adopted indicators measure the involvement of women in climate change decision-making in the public sector at national, EU and international levels. They also indicate segmentation of education in the fields related to environment and climate change at the EU and Member States levels. They are an important tool to support successful evidence-based policy-making and monitor the effectiveness of actions in this area.

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Interview with climate expert Annika Carlsson-Kanyama

Shila Meyer-Behjat and climate expert Annika Carlsson-Kanyama [talk about](#) the female face of climate change, why women drive smaller cars and the way to solve climate crisis. Annika Carlsson-Kanyama highlights that women tend to live more climate-friendly lives.

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Portal on gender-based violence to be launched this autumn

Imagine that you only need to go to one source to find all the material you want on gender-based violence. This is what EIGE plans to make a reality for you. We build links to resources on gender-based violence in Europe, which have been published within the last 20 years. Five documentation centres and libraries specialising in women and gender issues have offered access to their collections via EIGE's portal: [Aletta](#) – Aletta E-Quality, institute for gender equality and women's history in Amsterdam; [Amazon](#) – Resource Centre for Equality between Women and Men in Brussels; [Cid-Femmes](#) – Centre d'Information et de Documentation des Femmes (cid-femmes) in Luxembourg; [Gender Library at Humboldt](#)-Universitaet zu Berlin, [Gothenburg University Library](#) – National Resource Library for Gender Studies at Gothenburg University. In the autumn this year, we are launching the first one-stop-shop with material on gender-based violence. Check our website!

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The first EU-wide source on female genital mutilation



[EIGE's new study](#) yields the first EU-wide source of data, legal and policy frameworks, actors, tools and methods in the area of female genital mutilation (FGM) in the EU.

At present, an in-depth research phase of the study is taking place to analyse and compare different national approaches taken towards tackling FGM. The second goal is to identify good practices in the prevention, protection, prosecution, provision of services, partnership and prevalence of FGM. Female genital mutilation continues to be one of the most brutal and at the same time the most tabooed forms of gender-based violence. The results of EIGE's study will support policy makers in their efforts to ensure the fulfilment of legal obligations and to develop strategies for effective elimination of FGM.

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New online platform to boost work on gender equality

It's called EuroGender. It is an electronic platform to engage actors involved in gender equality work. EuroGender will foster debates, give access to EIGE's Resource & Documentation Centre, provide a platform for exchanging data, good practices and much more. There will be various tools for interaction and information exchange, such as: a public calendar, web forums, content translator, news & RSS feeds, polling and surveys, working team spaces to develop collaborative projects and much more.

This September gender training practitioners, experts and policy makers from the EU will use EIGE's platform for the first time - to [discuss gender training issues](#) online. They will share experiences and ideas to improve the quality of gender training for successful gender mainstreaming. On-line discussion is open by invitation only. To express interest please contact GT.online_discussion@ghkint.com.

Women inspiring Europe



By June 2012, EIGE received almost 100 nominations for the 2013 Women Inspiring Europe Calendar and the Institute's Resource Pool. This is an initiative that aims to highlight the achievements of women who break gender stereotypes and whose work has inspired Europe. Waiting for the 2013 calendar, take a look at this year's inspiring women portraits, including the [July portrait of the Cypriot Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr Erato Kozakou-Marcoullis](#).

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Find EIGE's reports online

EIGE's second [Annual Report](#) (for 2011) is available online together with the [Annual Activity Report 2011](#). The Annual Report 2011 presents EIGE's achievements and progress during the year. It gives the background for EIGE's unique mandate in the EU's work on gender equality. The Annual Activity Report 2011, being an administrative reporting tool, accounts for the regularity of administrative, financial and management procedures within the agency. Printed versions of the reports, together with their language versions (English, French, German, Italian, Lithuanian and Spanish), will be made available soon and can be ordered through the EU Bookshop's website.

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New partnership



[European Network of Equality Bodies \(Equinet\)](#) and EIGE have intensified discussions on possible areas of cooperation, as a result of a joint meeting between Equinet and EIGE, held in May 2012. This meeting provided an opportunity for Equinet members to learn

more about the work of EIGE and to discuss areas of mutual interest, including equal treatment legislation.

In April 2012, after signing the “Memorandum of Understanding between the European Institute for Gender Equality and [Eurostat](#) on gender statistics”, EIGE representatives met Eurostat experts to exchange knowledge and information regarding gender sensitive statistics and consider areas of cooperation. EIGE’s future participation in and contribution to Eurostat’s trainings, working groups and publications were discussed.

Gender Training conference in Vilnius 13-14 November

On 13-14 November 2012, EIGE is holding a European conference ‘[Advancing Gender Training to Support Effective Gender Mainstreaming](#)’ in Vilnius, Lithuania. The conference will bring the representatives of institutions that commission gender training, gender trainers, researchers and gender equality experts. It will be an opportunity to exchange practices on gender training with a view to improving knowledge of policy makers to effectively mainstream gender.

The conference is organised in the framework of EIGE’s two-year project [on gender training in the EU](#). The Institute aims to collect information and facilitate dialogue on gender training for better gender mainstreaming. At the end of 2012, EIGE will launch an EU-wide database of gender trainers and training resources.

EIGE’s website in Lithuanian - good example to follow!



On 8 May 2012, EIGE in close cooperation with the Ministry of Social Security and Labour of the Republic of Lithuania launched its [website in Lithuanian](#).

During the official launch at the Lithuanian Parliament Virginija Langbakk, the director of the European Institute for Gender Equality, stated:

„Access to information in native languages can increase significantly the capacity of various actors to promote gender equality. I believe that organisations and individuals in Lithuania will use this unique opportunity to learn more about the recent gender equality progress and to get some food for thought. These initiatives from the Member States are highly welcome and encouraged.”

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Do you want to work with gender equality? Then we might just have the right job for you!

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[Administrative Agent - Gender Equality & EU Enlargement Cour](#)

[Administrative Agent - Electronic Network Animator](#)

[Seconded National Expert \(SNE\) - Communications](#)

Upcoming tenders

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