

## Bridging the gender gap in skills and education



European labour market forecasts show the biggest future demand is for high-skilled jobs in the male-dominated areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

However, there is a low proportion of women studying STEM subjects. Getting more women into this field of education will have a positive impact on economic growth in the European Union. Watch [our video](#) to find out how.

## Latest news



### Women with low skills have fewer opportunities in the EU labour market

EIGE's new report on 'gender, skills and precarious work in the EU' sheds light on the situation for women and men with low qualifications. It also looks at the opportunities to upscale their skills. Women with low qualifications find it especially hard to access jobs with decent pay. Only 42 % of low qualified women are employed and almost half of these work in a precarious job.

Read more [here](#).



### **EIGE encourages data collection on violence**

Violence against women happens everywhere, however what gets reported is just a fraction of the reality. EIGE's project aims to improve administrative data collected by police and justice on intimate partner violence across the EU. EIGE will be meeting with each Member State to agree on country-specific recommendations. The research will support both national and

EU-level efforts to combat intimate partner violence.

Find out more about our ongoing study [here](#).



### **The European Pillar of Social Rights, an opportunity to strengthen gender equality**

The European Commission has outlined its proposal on how to improve the working and living conditions of EU citizens. Gender equality is one of the Pillar's key principles and it calls for equal treatment and opportunities between women and men, especially in the work place. It also stresses the importance of equal pay for equal work.

Read EIGE's recommendations on the initial proposal [here](#). Learn more about the European Pillar of Social Rights [here](#).



### **More men experience job-related injuries compared to women**

EIGE's Gender Statistics Database reveals that even though work-related accidents are not very common in the EU, the vast majority of them happen to men, who account for approximately 78% of victims.

Get more interesting statistics on safety and well-being at work on [EIGE's Gender Statistics Database](#).

## **New publications**

### **Older women face a higher risk of poverty compared to men**

The gender gap in poverty peaks after the age of 75, when 22% of women find themselves at risk compared to 15% of men. EIGE's latest factsheet, "Poverty and gender over the life cycle", sheds light on the gendered experience of poverty and how it changes from one stage of life to the next.

Have a look at our factsheet [here](#).

## Online discussions



For a full overview of the latest data on gender equality from EIGE's Gender Statistics Database, join the online discussion on gender statistics for policy-makers. It takes place on **on EuroGender, 23 May 2017 between 10.00 am - 4.00pm CET**. EIGE experts will be there to answer all your questions.

See the agenda and register [here](#).

## Save the date – Gender Equality Index 2017 release



On 11 October 2017, EIGE will release the third edition of the Gender Equality Index. This edition will feature new data on good and risky health behaviours, as well as decision-making in media, sport and academia. A full-day conference in Brussels will mark the release, where Věra Jourová, the Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality will open the event.

Explore our current Index [here](#).

## Let's talk gender!



### **May definition: *dating violence***

This type of intimate partner violence occurs in romantic relationships and can take physical, emotional, sexual and/or economic forms. With the growing reach of the internet, dating violence also extends into cyberspace, where it is perpetrated through acts such as repeated unwanted texting and posting sexual pictures.

Read more in our [Gender Equality Glossary & Thesaurus](#).



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