How do I mainstream gender into my IW project in light of the new GEF Policy on Gender Equality?

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What do we want to achieve?

- Provide a brief summary of the new GEF Policy on Gender Equality
- Follow-up on questions from the IWC 9 survey and questions raised during the webinars series "IW: learn, engendering internal waters"
- Diagnose and respond to some of the most frequent questions coming from IW project "patients", with concrete tips and tools on how to implement the new GEF Policy on Gender Equality in relation to IW projects

New Policy on Gender Equality

Effective July 1, 2018 for GEF-7

The new Policy :

- Understands that a gender-responsive approach should be utilized and is integral to the GEF's ability to achieve global environmental benefits
- Identifies gender differences, promotes shared power, control of resources, decision-making, empowers women and girls

Mandatory requirements in :

1. Project and Program cycle;
2. Monitoring, learning and capacity development;
3. Agency policies, procedures and capabilities.

New Policy on Gender Equality

The Policy requires to:

1. GEF Agencies to provide Gender analysis/equivalent socio-economic assessment.
2. GEF Secretariat and Agencies to generate and share knowledge on good practices, methodologies and lessons learned on promoting gender equality and women's empowerment.
3. Agencies to demonstrate that they have in place the necessary policies, procedures and capabilities required to ensure they meet mandatory requirements.

Survey for IWC 9 Clinics

- 45 survey responses
- 30% indicated interest in a gender clinic
- Gender is the 4th highest of the 19 clinic themes proposed in the survey

12 gender responses clustered into 3 themes:

- ✓ **Policies and Strategies**
- ✓ **Programme/Project Cycle Management**
- ✓ **Indicators**

Doctor’s views and prescriptions

How to include gender/women's considerations into IWRM and transboundary water management?

How to meaningfully involve women in water-related activities?

How do I define a gender sensitive indicator for water project?

How do I get sex-disaggregated water data?

How do I promote “gender” in countries where the issue is not very present in public policies?

How to learn more/ build capacity on gender-related issues and tools?

How to best streamline gender issues cross-sectoral into a (fisheries, forestry and agricultural climate change) programme in order that gender issues are accounted for all along the value chain/ cross sectoral and that baseline and changes are measured?

How to ensure access to funding / finances for women’s organizations?

How to link land and water and ensure women’s involvement in water management and access for multiple purposes?

Random questions

How to ensure expertise (gender experts) and at the same time make sure that this as seen as a general responsibility?

How do I implement gender strategies that live beyond the project?

How can we involve/engage boys and men in gender issues?

How do I improve/ influence working conditions for women in water-related jobs?

How do we meaningfully incorporate gender/ women's issues into disaster prevention and handling (connected to water)?

How can we convince funders that next to hardware and quick fixes, we need funding for empowerment, vocational training, as well as time? And how to ensure the money reaches the women?

How to mainstream gender in the management of marine ecosystem, in the formulation of MSP et the development of blue economy?

How can we get gender issues connect with wastewater issues, as women are the most impacted by the pollution?

Thank you!

We will collect your "questions to the doctors" at:
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Or meet with us at 4:00 pm next to the shop of the Hotel

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