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UN-Women's operational response at regional level

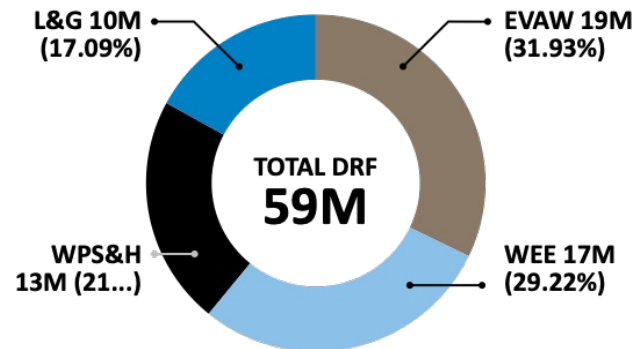
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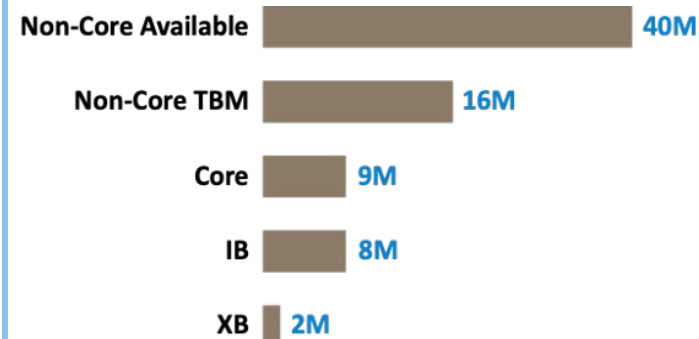
2022 LAC Footprint: networking approach



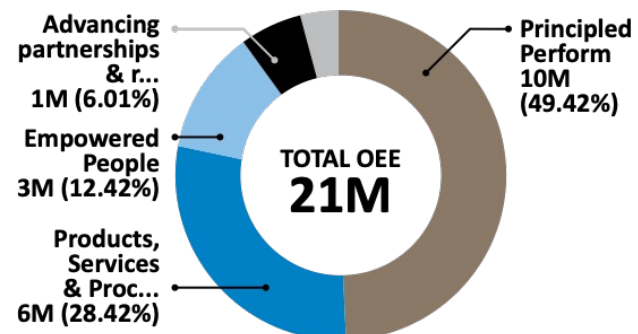
SP Impact Areas



Funding Sources



SP OEE Areas



Top 5 Funding Partners

FUNDING PARTNERS	AMOUNT
MPTF Spotlight Funds	\$ 8 M
Government of Norway	\$ 4 M
Korea International Agency	\$ 3 M
US Department of State	\$ 3 M
Government of Sweden	\$ 2 M

SP Outcome Areas



Key Results Outstanding Regional Programmes and Initiatives 2018-2021



Credit | UN Women

Women's leadership and political participation

+7 LAC countries approved quota or parity measures, resulting in 18 of 33 LAC countries with some affirmative measures

+8 countries advanced on normative measures for the eradication of VAW in Politics (totaling 10 in the region)

Political Parity Index in +7 countries reaching 13 LAC countries with data, analysis and recommendations towards parity

Virtual Platform for Political Training: 3323 women in politics strengthened

Increased awareness and comprehensive approach to VAW in Politics

Supported networks of women in politics

First Regional Observatory on Parity Democracy and Political Violence

Priority UN Women LNOB Focus

Indigenous and Afro-Descendant women's political rights and leadership strengthened (country examples)

- High-level Indigenous Women's Platform in **Guatemala**
- Inclusion of UN Women Originarias programme leaders in the Constitutional Cabinet of **Chile**
- First national network of Afro and Aymara Municipal Women Leaders in **Bolivia**
- Mainstreamed the focus of Indigenous and Quilombola Women into subnational public policies and procedures in **Brazil**
- Key documents on VAWP and WPP in indigenous languages and close work with indigenous authorities in **Mexico**



11 LAC countries are designing or starting to implement National Care Systems with UN Women support

Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay

- Care positioned as a key for COVID-19 recovery and sustainable recovery regionally, national and local levels and advancing in 11 countries with UNW support
- Regional consensus to position Care Societies as the main theme for the XV LAC Regional Conference on Women in 2022
- Evidence generation (e.g., retrospective study to quantify the costs and benefits of subsidized childcare in Barbados)
- Law reforms promoted to set foundations for care systems (e.g., Mexico)
- Financing for care boosted by UN Women costing methodology

Positioning of Care Economy in the Region





WIN WIN: GENDER EQUALITY MEANS GOOD BUSINESS

Contributing to women’s economic empowerment and leadership and strengthening companies' commitment to gender equality in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Jamaica, and Uruguay



20,000+
impacted
women entrepreneurs

800+
trainings, mentoring
sessions and events

900+
WEPs signatory companies

5,650+
companies had
access to
knowledge and
tools on
gender equality

1000+
businesswomen
& entrepreneurs
trained in
“Virtual Skills
School”

500+
companies approved
& implemented non-
discrimination and equal
opportunity policies,
strategies/diversity and
inclusion units

94%
of representatives from
women’s networks and
associations have strengthened
capacities to support women
entrepreneurs to start and
grow their businesses



Entrepreneurship capacities / territorial management for equality, women's access to financial services in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras



2,457

women entrepreneurs with appropriate skills to adapt and transform products, widening their distribution networks and accessing to new markets

Advisory services to

40

start up companies

The creation of the Guarantee Fund, accompanied by technical assistance and financing from MELYT, has increased the availability of financing for guarantees for **US\$1 million under the "Financial Sector Support Facility for financing Micro, Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises affected by the crisis generated by COVID-19"** implemented by Central American Integration Bank with a total amount of **US\$650 million**.

— Second Chance Education Programme (Chile & Mexico) —

Empowerment and economic wellbeing through education and agency creation

INSTITUTIONS	WOMEN	FAMILIES AND COMUNITIES
Governments, CSOs and private sector	Transformative results for 10,000+ women	Networks and mentorship
Sociocultural Transformation around the importance of women's right to education	Life path transformation	50,000+ Indirect beneficiaries
	Complementary services and Covid response	Innovative approach to new masculinities



— Additional results to build on towards 2025—



“Investors for Equality”
16 partners from
the financial ecosystem,
private sector,
and institutional investors

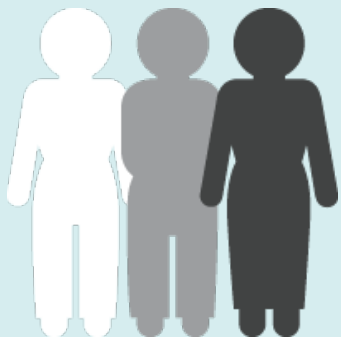


Elimination of
Gender responsive laws
for WEE with SEGIB

- 20 country assessments
- Virtual Platform for Legislation on WEE in Ibero-America to be launched in 2022



Gender responsive
budgeting:
Knowledge of Finance
Ministries was strengthened
in 15 LAC countries



Beneficiaries

45.5M



Beneficiary
CSOs*

335



Knowledge
products

173



Laws and
Public policy**

32



Media
Campaigns

74

People
reached

73.9M

Direct		1.3M			
♀	Women	1M	♂	Men	331K
Indirect		44.2M			
♀	Women	27M	♂	Men	17M

Source: Spotlight initiative from each office. | *Strengthened capabilities. **Promulgated or strengthened





HUMANITARIAN ACTION

Needs Assessments and Humanitarian Response Plans in Colombia, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Venezuela **incorporated the gender and intersectional perspectives.**

HUMANITARIAN MOBILITY

Engendered actions of the Platform for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela (R4V): 190 partners with UN Women Gender Focal Point

— WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY —

15 PBF projects 2018-2021: Increased participation of women and youth peacebuilders and human rights defenders in Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, El Salvador, Haiti, and Honduras.

Peru and Mexico adopted first **1325 National Action Plans (NAPs)** and Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Peru, Paraguay and Uruguay received technical support to formulate or renew their 1325 NAPs.

Networks of women peacebuilders and mediators strengthened in Mexico, Argentina, Bolivia, and Colombia. Consolidation of the Regional Network of Women Mediators of the Southern Cone.

Acceleration of women's participation in peace operations through the Elsie Fund in Uruguay and Mexico, and increased work with security sector In Colombia, Chile, Bolivia.

— Highlights: working with partners for transformative results —

1 Working for engendered joint action within the UN

49% of UN Women 2018-2021 portfolio in the region
Joint UN Programmes

High-quality gender perspective in 8 new generation Cooperation Frameworks only in 2021

+ 1000 UN personnel from all over the region trained in gender mainstreaming for the Cooperation Frameworks

2 Working with governments for stronger global norms & intergovernmental processes

ECLAC-UN Women strengthened co-ordination and hosting of Regional Conferences on Women in LAC and regional CSW consultations since 2020

Continued substantive and political support to CEDAW and other HR bodies: e.g., General Recommendations on the rights of indigenous women and girls and on trafficking in women and girls

3 Strengthening civil society organizations

Regional Fund for feminist organizations and movements launched in 2021 by governments, CSOs and ECLAC under the Regional Conference on Women in LAC

85 organizations part of the Small Grants Agreements programme

Formal partner agreements with more than 190 organizations

Civil society advisory groups at regional level and in all major programmes and Country Offices

4 Expanding partnerships for wider outreach and emerging priorities

Accreditation for Green Climate Fund. Support to 15 countries on Gender and Climate Change

Alliances with sports organizations, influencers and 24 artists and musicians, partnerships with media and advertising companies

Financing for Gender Equality Initiative and private sector programmes

Strong social media outreach and growth

The way forward: Implementing the UN-Women Strategic Plan 2022- 2025 in LAC



Credits | World Bank

Regional priorities responding to global SP systemic outcomes and driving impact towards thematic areas

Contribute to **behavioral changes and reduce inequalities**

Care systems expanded and consolidated in the region

Strengthening democratic institutions, women's political participation and parity in all levels

Knowledge hub: Improved gender data and statistics, forecasting analyses, enabling environments for gender-responsive policies and programmes

Women human rights and environmental defenders, indigenous, Afro-descendant and migrant women

Strengthening women's role in local mediation, social dialogues and peace. Engender disaster risk reduction and humanitarian responses and policies.



UN Women accountable and driven to deliver a **UN Women - led gender sensitive response to achieve 2030 Agenda**

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Empowered people and professionalization of teams, automatization and use of a network approach

Climate change, gender equality and women's economic empowerment through circular economy and green tech initiatives

Financing for Gender Equality - advance gender equality through public and private gender responsive financing policies, public budgeting, innovative strategies and instruments

Thank you!



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