

EXECUTIVE BOARD

2ND REGULAR SESSION 2016

OPERATIONAL RESPONSE AT COUNTRY LEVEL: MOROCCO



September 2nd, 2016, New York

Context



Legislative reforms

- Important reforms since 2004
 - 2011 Constitution
- Withdrawal of reservations to CEDAW + ratification of OP-CEDAW
- Regulatory laws on elections
- Draft law on EVAW + APALD

Public policies

- Governmental plan for equality, 2012-2016: coordination mechanism of gender mainstreaming in public policies
- Gender Responsive Budgeting: Morocco as a pioneer since 2000

Civil society organizations

- Strong, dynamic women's rights movement
- Evidence-based advocacy

UNW Morocco's priorities



Harmonizing national legislation with the 2011 Constitution and international norms



Strengthening institutional accountability towards gender equality



Supporting civil society's advocacy efforts for legislative change and its role in monitoring and evaluating public policies

Political Empowerment



Capacity development for women Parliamentarians

Promote women's participation and representation at the local level

Strengthen women's access to decision-making positions

- Support the establishment and work of the “Parliamentarians for Parity and Equality” Working Group
 - Analysis of draft electoral laws and other key draft laws (LoF, APALD, etc.)
 - The one-third quota for women in decision-making bodies within the House of Representatives
 - Sharing experience of women caucuses and parliamentary gender equality mechanisms with other countries

- Support to Ministry of Interior in the organization of a cycle of regional conferences on women's leadership that benefited over 4.500 local elected women and senior women civil servants (since March 2013)
- Support to CSOs in advocating for a reform of the electoral code

- Increase women's access to senior positions in the Public Administration
 - Strategy for gender mainstreaming through inter-ministerial coordination network
 - Production of tools for gender mainstreaming in human resources
- Study on women's access to the 500 largest public and private companies' executive boards



Economic Empowerment



Access to decent employment

- Support to the production, analysis and dissemination of Time Use Survey findings
- Gender analysis of the Social Protection System
- Identify structural causes for women's low labor rate and promising sectors



Gender equality and adaptation to climate change (esp. in rural areas)

- Support local governments in oases areas in developing planning and budgeting tools that are gender and climate responsive
- Strengthen women's role in poverty reduction and food security



Ending Violence Against Women



Legislative Advances

- Support to CSOs' advocacy towards the adoption or reform of:
- Law on domestic workers' rights
- Draft Penal Code Reform
- Draft ERAW Law
- Draft law on human trafficking
- Family Code, including provisions on inheritance

Prevention and Support to WSV

- Partnership with the MoJ for implementation of the family code, which allowed the institutionalization of the social worker function and the production of tools to improve the harmonization of the law with international standards (i.e. CEDAW and CRC)
- Data production : first prevalence study, in partnership with the High Commission for Planning, and other qualitative studies to improve knowledge on the phenomenon
- Safe Cities: Rabat and Marrakech
- Capacity building to judges and social workers on human trafficking (e.g. on international standards for all district courts)
- Support to CSOs' listening and counseling centers for WSV, including single mothers

Awareness-raising

- Campaigns against Girls' Marriage
- Support to Gender Ministry's annual sensitization campaign via media
- Radio and print campaign on VAW in partnership with Ecomedia
- Participation of Moroccan landmarks to the 16 days campaign



Planning and Budgeting



Gender mainstreaming in public policies

- Ministry of Justice and Liberties
- Ministry of Interior
- Ministry of Solidarity, Family, and Women's Affairs
- Ministry of Economy and Finance
- Ministry of Public Administration
- Ministry of Water
- Ministry of Environment

Gender responsive budgeting

- Gender budget report is annually presented to the parliament as part of the Finance Bill
- Introduction of gender indicators in the new Organic Finance Law (2015)
- GRB Center of Excellence
 - Progressive GRB learning and expertise developing platform to link various GRB stakeholders at the regional and national
 - South-south and north-south exchanges on GRB



Partnerships



Type of partner	Which ones?
Government & National Institutions	Ministry of Justice and Liberties; Ministry of Interior; Ministry of Solidarity, Family, and Women's Affairs; Ministry of Economy and Finance ; Ministry of Public Administration ; Ministry of the Environment ; Ministry of Water, Office of the High Commissioner for Planning, National Human Rights Council, Economic, Social and Environmental Council, High Authority for Audiovisual Communication
Civil Society	Women's rights organizations, Community-based / grassroots organizations, local sports associations Civil Society Advisory Group
Academia	International University of Rabat
United Nations	UNDP, UNESCO, UNICEF, UN Habitat
Private sector	Eco-Media Group (print + radio), Alsa Bus Company
Donors	The Moroccan Government is the first donor to UNW in the country. Other donors include: Finland, France, Norway, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland.

Normative Frameworks and UN Coordination



Normative

- CEDAW
- UPR
- CSW
- Beijing+20
- SDGs

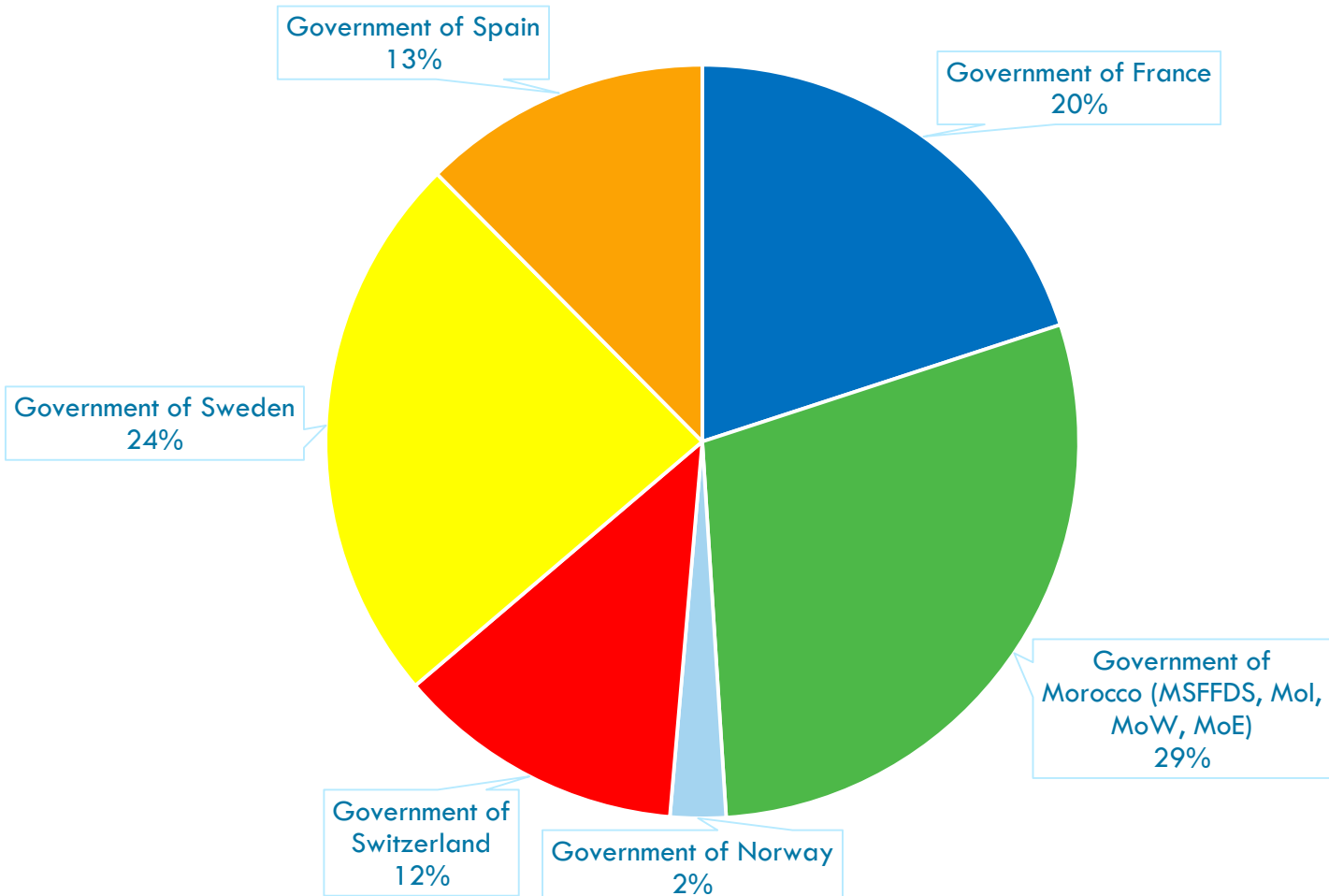
UN Coordination

- Gender Thematic Group
- UNDAF
- 5 Joint programmes

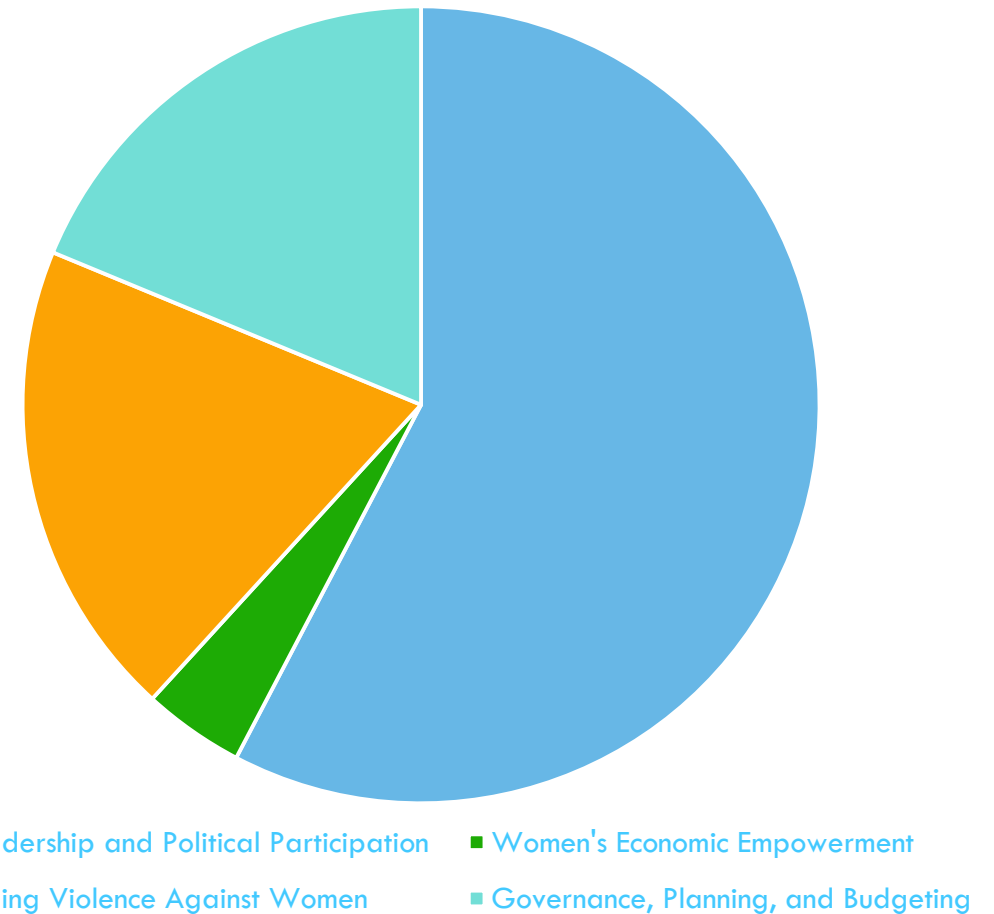
Financial Portfolio Overview



Total Programming Funds, by donor



Resources Mobilized in USD, 2014-2016





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