



United Nations Entity for Gender Equality
and the Empowerment of Women

UN Women Africa

IMPLEMENTING THE AFRICA STRATEGY

PRESENTATION TO
UN WOMEN EXECUTIVE BOARD
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Presentation Outline



- Context
- Key Results
- Strategic Partnerships
- Innovations
- Joint initiatives
- Moving Forward

VISION: KEY OUTCOMES OF AAS

- Women **lead, participate** in and benefit equally from decision making processes
- Women have **income security, decent work** and **economic autonomy**
- Women and girls live a life **free from** all forms of **violence**
- Women and girls contribute to building **sustainable peace** and **resilience**, and benefit equally from **humanitarian action**



OVERVIEW OF RO WORK



OVERSIGHT & QUALITY OF PROGRAMME

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP & RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

RESEARCH & POLICY ENGAGEMENT

NORMATIVE WORK & CSW

INNOVATIONS & NEW FRONTIERS

UN COORDINATION



UPTAKE AT CO LEVEL

RESEARCH STUDIES /POLICY BRIEFS

Credible data set available to support advocacy and structured engagements at CO level (cost of gender gap etc)

MULTI-COUNTRY PROPOSALS

Funding secured for Mali, Kenya and Malawi on Climate Smart Agriculture
Other proposals for CO RM

THEMATIC EXPERT GROUPS

WEE
WPS
EVAW
Humanitarian Action
Governance & Leadership
CSAG- RO/CO

POLICY DIALOGUES

Enhanced thought leadership and integrated policy advice in cracking norms & stereotypes, fostering positive masculinities in RO/CO & internal

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Extended Missions
Detailed assignments
Peer Learning
On the job training- procurement
Fraud/Risk

SOME KEY RESULTS IN 2018/19

PROGRAMMING

- Increase in affirmative procurement
- Gender statistics initiated with MEWGC plus-Regional flagship
- Youth engagement
- Women and Disabilities
- Thematic programming

NORMATIVE

- Revised strategy for CSW to ensure Africa engages meaningfully
- Africa CSW with Africa speaking as one voice



SOME KEY RESULTS IN 2018/19



POLICY

- 50 research studies conducted
- Several policy briefs developed from the studies
- 10 policy dialogues held
- Thematic expert groups established & functional
- Mid term assessment of Africa Strategy ongoing



UN COORDINATION

- Pool of 14 trained staff in gender mainstreaming in the UNDAF
- Supported integration of gender into UNDAFs
- 44 Beijing 25 reports +Africa Regional report
- Present in all working groups of the RUNSDG

SOME KEY RESULTS IN 2018/19



REGIONAL BODIES

- Revised IGAD MOU
- SADC
- ICGLR
- COMESA
- SADC-PF
- AU
- ECOWAS
- IGAD



RM- DONOR INTELLIGENCE

- Established informal group- friends of UN Women
- 2 donors' breakfast round tables in 2018
- Update on Africa Strategy implementation
- Engagement on the UNDS reform

PARTNERSHIPS & FOR WHAT?

- RECs- gender policies; heforshe; HIV strategy; policies
- IMF- to influence the broader macroeconomic framework ensuring the inclusion of key gender inequality issues in Article 4 discussions
- UNDP—ensure the inclusion of gender issues in the annual African Economic Conference discussions
- Regional Humanitarian Partnership Forum; Interagency Working group on DRR; UN Coordinating Forum on Migration;
- BBC; Aljazeera, Relief Web for external communications
- UNFPA, UNICEF, UNHCR, UNE, UNESCO, World Vision, PLAN International, FAWE on Youth programming
- Humanity & Inclusion: Disabilities
- SDGCA- tracking gender across SDGs
- Africa Monitor; Akina Mama wa Afrika
- Traditional & Cultural leaders & institutions
- Steering Committee member of Youth Conekt



INNOVATIONS



- Africa Strategy
- Establishing work on complimentary data
- Strategic & Critical Partnerships
- Spotlight Plus
- Buy from Women platforms
- Engaging trad/cult leaders & institutions – norms
- Engaging faith based - catholic church - EAW
- Fostering positive masculinity
- Guidelines for affirmative procurement
- Meaningful engagement / women with disabilities, youth
- Engagement with governments, CSOs & Influencers – FGM
- UN / international NGOs coalitions - Child Marriage
- Partnership with private sector – Climate Smart Agriculture

KEY OUTCOMES – WEE- CSA

Access to new markets :
ECOCERT certification for Shea
Butter for Europe/US

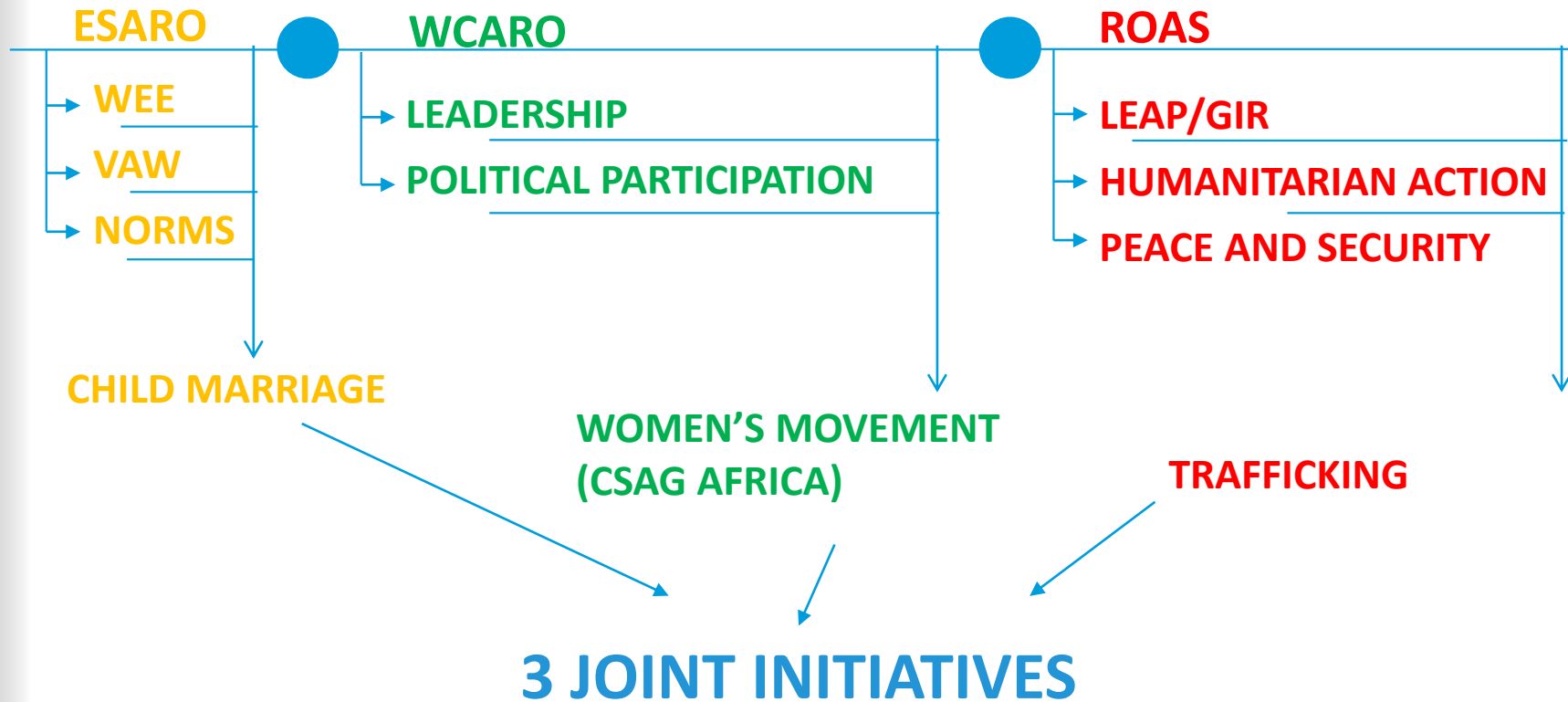
Land policies & Women's rights
to land assured; women's
engagement in male dominated
value chain – aquaculture

Over 20,000 women trained in
various levels of value chain &
business development skills

Over 2000 women led/engaged
cooperatives
established/strengthened



OVERSIGHT ON CROSS-REGIONAL JOINT INITIATIVES



African Union office in Ethiopia

Coordination and Reporting on Africa Normative Frameworks (AU, CSW, AWLN etc.)

SOME KEY RESULTS IN 2018/19

JOINT INITIATIVES

Ending HPs (Child marriage; FGM)

- 10 multi-country analytical study
- Sub-regional consultations with over 600 traditional/cultural leaders & inst.
- Commitment to ECM & FGM
- Council of Traditional Leaders of Africa established

Women's movement

- 26 Africa country assessment on status of the women's movement in Africa
- High level missions- SS, Somalia, Burundi
- AWLN



SOME KEY RESULTS IN 2018/19



JOINT INITIATIVES

Trafficking in Persons

- 18 Africa country study on national responses & strategies to combat trafficking & forced migration
- Evidence of gender implications
- Partnership with the big 4 UN agencies

Gender Statistics

- CSA multi-country proposal
- Partnerships with NBS
- Pilot countries agree to complimentary data
- Annual citizen generated SDG report
- AWLN

SOME KEY RESULTS IN 2018/19

JOINT INITIATIVES

Youth

- Africa Youth Conference
- Youth strategy & action plan
- Young people under 25 engage in Beijing 25 & Generation Equality
- Youth Conekt
- Young women's feminist leadership

Gender & Disabilities

- Partnership with HI
- Mapping of gender implications of disabilities



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JOINT INITIATIVES

USAF

- Study on use of USAF
- Disseminated results of study
- Advocacy for resourcing GEWE/ girls & IT initiatives from mobile phone taxes

Domestic Workers

- 5 multicountry study
- Establish linkage with trafficking in persons





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PAN AFRICAN MOVEMENT OF
PROGRESSIVE TRADITIONAL LEADERS
TO END CHILD MARRIAGE, FGM &
OTHER HARMFUL PRACTICES

THE STEPS INTO THE COMMUNITY

National Forum / Chapter -

National movement of Traditional Leaders to end child marriage, FGM & other harmful practices



Provincial/ State / District

Forum - Provincial/State/ District movement of Traditional Leaders to end child marriage, FGM & other harmful practices.



Chiefdom/Kingdom/ Village

Forums - Chief, King & Village Head & community commit & declare to end child marriage & promote gender equality;

THANK YOU !!!

