



Third Regional Workshop on Supporting the Integration of Gender Considerations into MRV/Transparency Processes in the Western Balkan Countries¹ and Lebanon

February 12th and 13th, 2020
Podgorica, Montenegro

Location: UN Eco House
Stanka Dragojevic bb, 81000 Podgorica

Purpose of the meeting:

- What has been achieved in the region in enhancing gender considerations into the climate and transparency framework?
- Have Gender Action Plans, which GSP supported elaborating, have been implemented? What experiences and lessons learnt can be exchanged? Did countries make use of resources under NCs, BURs and CBIT? What were the limitations/bottle necks/impediments for implementation?
- Can the NDC revision process be an opportunity for enhancing this integration?
- What has worked in the provision of support from UNDP/GSP and what has not?

Participants:

- Representatives of national institutions in charge of climate change MRV² and transparency, as well as from institutions in charge of gender equality from Western Balkans and Lebanon
- UNFCCC gender focal points from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, and North Macedonia³ as well as from France and Germany.
- Representatives of UNDP and UNFCCC

¹ Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia

² Monitoring, Reporting and Verification

³ Those countries have nominated UNFCCC gender focal points as of January 27th 2020

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AGENDA

DAY 1 – Wednesday, February 12	
9:00 – 9:30	Registration
	Opening & Workshop Objectives
9:30 – 10:00	<p>Opening Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Government of Montenegro • UNDP Resident Representative in Montenegro <p><i>Round of introduction by participants</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting the scene for discussion – UNDP (5 min)
10:00 – 10:20	Coffee/tea break
Session 1	<p><i>Gender equality as a cross-cutting issue for climate action and climate transparency</i></p> <p><i>This session will provide an updated understanding to the participants on the key messages on climate change action, climate transparency and gender mainstreaming status</i></p>
10:00 – 11:00 Moderated by Sanja Elezovic, UNDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced Transparency Framework and Climate Action in 2020 (15 min) <i>Damiano Borgogno, MRV and Transparency Lead, UNDP</i> • Strategic Approach to Gender and Climate Change and update on the gender-related outcomes of COP 25 (25 min) <i>Fleur Newman, Gender Affairs Lead, UNFCCC</i> • Q&A (20 min)
Session 2 A	<p>Experiences sharing in the region on the status of climate/gender action plans</p> <p><i>This session will allow countries to share their experiences and lessons learnt on their efforts to integrate gender considerations into climate action and transparency. Participants will be invited to share views and to openly discuss expectations and results with other countries' representatives.</i></p> <p><i>Key points to be highlighted in the presentations and in the panel discussions are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What is the country's vision to facilitate the integration of gender and climate? What are the medium- and long-term objectives?</i> • <i>What have been the results up to now?</i> • <i>Which stakeholders have led the exercise and which stakeholders are engaged?</i> • <i>What has worked? What have been the bottlenecks?</i> • <i>What are the steps to be implemented in 2020?</i>

<p>11:20 – 12:20</p> <p>Moderated by Sladjana Bundalo, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p>	<p><i>Part 1: Presentations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overarching approach of the French Government on gender (France (15 min) <i>Emma Letellier, Gender & Climate Focal Point, France</i> • Overarching approach of the German Government on gender (Germany (15 min) <i>Anne-Lise Koch Lavissee, Gender & Climate Focal Point, Germany</i> • Good practices and examples from the Bonn workshop on the impact of gender action plans (15 min) <i>Fleur Newman, Gender Affairs lead, UNFCCC</i> • Q&A (15 min)
<p>12:20 – 13:30</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>Session 2 B</p>	<p>Experiences sharing in the region on the status of climate/gender action plans</p> <p><i>This session will highlight experiences and good practices on how to make such linkage more effective and comprehensive in climate change action, making use inter alia of National Communications, Biennial Update Reports and the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency</i></p> <p><u>No presentation needed by panelists, questions asked by moderators are in line with those presented under description of sessions 2</u></p>
<p>13:30 – 15:00</p>	<p><i>Part 2- Panel discussion among countries in the region</i></p> <p>A) <u>Panel to share national experiences on gender action plans in the region – Moderated by Damiano Borgogno, UNDP (30 min)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate/Gender Action Plans in Montenegro <i>Milica Mudresa- Gender UNFCCC Focal Point</i> • Climate/Gender Action Plans in North Macedonia <i>Elena Grozdanova-UNFCCC Gender Focal Point</i> • Climate/Gender Action Plans in Serbia <i>Ana Seke- CSUD Project Coordinator</i> • <i>Questions to presenters</i> <p>B) <u>Panel to share national experiences on gender action plans in the region – Moderated by Snezana Dragojevic, Montenegro (30 min)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate/Gender Action Plans in Bosnia and Herzegovina <i>Ozren Laganin-UNFCCC focal point</i> • Climate/Gender Action Plans in Lebanon <i>Elsa Maarawi- Gender Specialist</i> • Climate/Gender Action Plans in Albania <i>Eneida Rabdishtha-UNFCCC Gender Focal Point</i> • <i>Questions to presenters</i> <p><i>Part 3:</i></p> <p>Group discussion (30 min):</p> <p>What has caught your attention from the panel discussion? Which elements, if any may, be applicable in your own countries? Do you foresee potential for collaboration with other countries in the implementation of gender action plans?</p>

15:00 – 15:30	Coffee/tea break
Session 3	NDC Revision Process as an opportunity to strengthen gender equality <i>This session will inform participants about the planning and revision NDC process and how they linked with other climate action projects</i>
15.30 – 17.00 Moderated by Lea Kai, Lebanon	<p>Part 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NDC revision process: can this be an opportunity for strengthening gender equality into climate policies? (25 minutes) Verania Chao, UNDP (on skype) The inclusion of gender into North Macedonia’s NDC as supported by UNDP’s Climate Promise and CBIT (15 min) Pavlina Zdraveva, North Macedonia The inclusion of gender into Serbia’s NDC as supported by UNDP’s Climate Promise, NAP and CBIT (15 min) Dragana Radulovic and Ana Seke, Serbia Questions to presenters <p>Part 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group discussion (45 min) <i>Is your country planning on integrating gender into the revised NDC? How? Purpose of the discussion is to share ideas and concerns, with the hope of providing some constructive solutions to common problems as Countries revised their NDC previous to COP 26</i>
17.00 – 17:10	Closing remarks on Day 1 on main points discussed - Sanja Elezovic

DAY 2 – Thursday, February 13	
Session 4	Gender and Climate Change Financing <i>This session will provide inputs on how to integrate gender and climate change in countries national budget and in development assistance projects</i>
9:00 – 10:15 Moderated by Mirela Kamberi, Albania	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gender integration in national budgets (20 min) Apar Paudyal, UNDP Nepal (skype) Funding opportunities available in National Communications, Biennial Update Reports and CBIT (20 min) Valeria Arroyave, UNDP How are gender and environmental policies integrated and funded in France and Germany? (20 min) Emma Letellier and Anne-Lise Koch Lavisce Q/A
10:15 – 10:40	Coffee/tea break

Session 5	Support available for capacity building for supporting gender/climate work <i>This session will inform on resources available for countries as well as discuss how international support by international organizations could be enhanced</i>
10:40 – 11.40 Moderated by Damiano Borgogno, UNDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of on-line resources for capacity building in the area of gender and climate change (15 min) Sanja Elezovic, UNDP <p>Group discussion to assess the provision of support by the GSP and to identify how backstopping by UNDP and international organizations could be enhanced in the future (45 min)</p>
Session 6	Next Steps <i>Before the end of the workshop, country participants are invited to highlight 3 main priorities/follow up actions for their work in 2020. No presentation is required – maximum 5 minutes per countries</i>
11:40 – 12.30 Moderated by Sanja Elezovic, UNDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Albania • Bosnia and Herzegovina • Lebanon • Montenegro • North Macedonia • Serbia <p>Final remarks from participants</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch and end of workshop

The meeting will continue with a discussion and exchange for national gender and climate focal points only.

Serbia and Lebanon, who have not nominated a gender and climate focal point yet, are invited to select a participant to attend this closed-door meeting. One UNDP representative per Country is also invited to attend.

The meeting will be held from 14.00 to 16.00

Key points to be discussed:

- How do you foresee your role as national gender and climate focal points?
- How do EU focal points collaborate?
- Is there an appetite for establishing communication channels among gender and climate focal points in the region? If so, how?
- What may be the needs/format/content for the mandated workshop for national gender and climate focal points during the June 2020 SB?

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