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Report of the Meeting

I. Attendance

1. The 2023 meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Group of Experts on Gender Statistics was held from 10 to 12 May in Geneva, Switzerland. The meeting was attended by participants from the following countries and organizations: Armenia; Azerbaijan; Belarus; Finland; Georgia; Germany; Hungary; Ireland; Italy; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Latvia; Lithuania; Luxembourg; North Macedonia; Poland; Portugal; Republic of Moldova; Slovenia; Sweden; Switzerland; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Ukraine; United States of America; Uzbekistan; Statistical Office of the European Union (Eurostat); European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE); Interstate Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS-STAT); United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women); United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA); United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO); United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO); International Labour Organization (ILO); United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia; World Health Organization (WHO); Make Mothers Matter; and the University of Perpignan. There were 80 participants.

2. A number of participants were able to attend the meeting thanks to financial support from UN Women, and from the project "Data and statistics for more gender-responsive trade policies in Africa, Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia" of the United Nations Development Account (12th tranche).

II. Organization of the meeting

3. Helena Löf of Sweden was elected as Chair of the meeting.
4. The following substantive topics were discussed at the meeting:
 - (a) Gender pay gap and income inequality
 - (b) Gender digital divide
 - (c) Gender, climate and the environment
 - (d) Measuring sex and gender



- (e) Measuring violence against women
- (f) New data sources and emerging issues
- (g) Gender and trade
- (h) New approaches to measuring unpaid work and work-life balance
- (i) Current and future work on gender statistics under the Conference of European Statisticians

5. The following participants acted as discussants: for item (a) Jérôme Hury (Luxembourg); for item (b) Ligia Nobrega (EIGE); for item (c) Thomas Körner (Germany); for item (d) Katja Branger (Switzerland); for item (e) Ainur Dossanova (Kazakhstan); for item (f) Susana Neves (Portugal); and for item (h) Marjut Pietiläinen (Finland). Under item (e), a panel discussion was held on closing the data gap on technology-facilitated violence against women, led by Raphaëlle Rafin (UN Women).

6. The presentations and discussions at the meeting were based on papers that are available at [the UNECE website](#).

III. Recommendations for future work

7. Participants took note that the next in-person meeting of the Group of Experts on Gender Statistics is scheduled for May 2025.

8. Participants suggested the following topics for future discussion in the Group of Experts:

- (a) Measuring gender stereotypes and gender discrimination
- (b) Mainstreaming the intersectional approach in gender statistics
- (c) Gender differences among the elderly
- (d) Gender digital divide
- (e) Technology-facilitated violence against women
- (f) Measurement of wealth and poverty by sex
- (g) Dissemination and communication of gender statistics
- (h) Violence against girls

9. The meeting recommended that the Steering Group on Gender Statistics initiates the following activities concerning topic (a) Measuring gender stereotypes and gender discrimination:

- (a) Collect information on current national practices
- (b) Develop a plan for methodological work that could be taken forward under the Conference of European Statisticians.

10. The meeting recommended that the Steering Group on Gender Statistics facilitates and coordinates the collection of national practice and expert inputs on measuring technology-facilitated violence against women in the UNECE region, to support the development of global methodological guidance on this topic.

IV. Adoption of the report of the meeting

11. The meeting adopted parts I, II, and III of this report before adjourning. A summary of the discussion in the substantive sessions of the meeting will be presented in the annex of this report, to be prepared by the Secretariat after the meeting.