

## Why Africa Needs an Agenda for Gender Data Generation, Translation and Use





Gender data captures the influence of gender on various aspects of life, i.e. health, education, economic participation, and social behaviours. It constitutes sex-disaggregated data and captures the different experiences, roles, and needs of individuals based on gender. It includes both quantative and qualitative data.



Roadmap for achieving gender equality

Agenda 2063

Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) Strategy Gender and Youth Observatory

In 2015

193

Ratified the 2030
Sustainable Development
Goals (SDGs)



Goals

169

**Targets** 

Gender data is critical for informing priorities and equitable and inclusive policies, programmes and resource allocation decisions that address gender disparities across various social and economic dimensions and for assessing progress towards gender equality.

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Key aspiration



Leave no one behind



Gender equality



Social inclusion

As of 2024

**Sub-Saharan Africa Progress** 

15 of the 17 SDGs have stagnated or declined



Gender gap closed



More than half of the countries in the region have closed **70%** of their gender gap



At the current pace, it will take sub-Saharan Africa 102 years to close the gender gap





To accelerate progress towards achieving the SDGs, we need equitable and inclusive policies, programmes and investments informed by the best available evidence including gender data



However, there is a lack of comprehensive gender data needed for informing equitable and inclusive policies, programmes and investments due to systems, organisations and technical capacity constraints