

Private Sector Pioneers
Driving Gender Equality in Trade with
Women's Empowerment Principles
in AfCFTA

Session 7: WEP 7

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1 PRINCIPLE

High-level corporate leadership

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Education and training for career advancement

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Measurement and reporting

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Treat all women and men fairly at work without discrimination

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Enterprise development, supply chain and marketing practices 3 OPRINCIPLE

Employee health, well-being and safety



Community initiatives and advocacy

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT PRINCIPLES



Gender Equality means better business

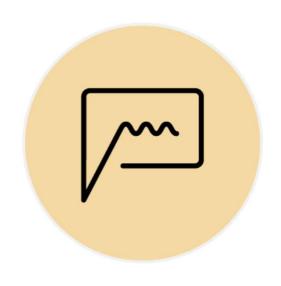
Women's Empowerment Principles (WEPs)

- A set of principles offering guidance on advancing gender equality and women's empowerment in the workplace, marketplace, and community.
- Roadmap for companies to follow to achieve the SDG 5
- UN Women offers resources and tools to support companies' WEPs implementation



Poll question

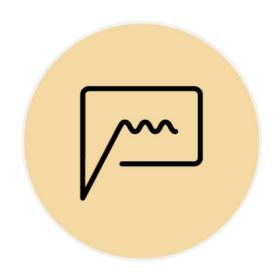
Are you collecting data & reporting on your progress on gender equality?





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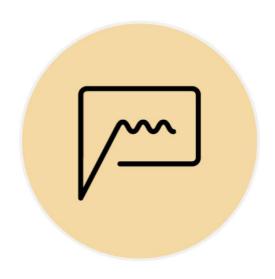
If yes, what are you reporting on?
If no, why not?





Principle 7

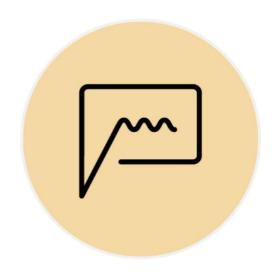
Measurement and Reporting





Suggested Actions

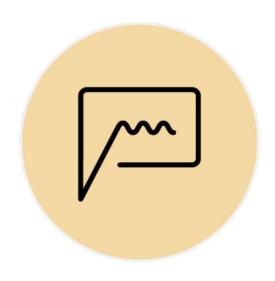
- Take the WEPs Gender Gap Analysis tool to establish a baseline for WEPs implementation
- Develop incentives and accountability mechanisms to accelerate WEPs implementation
- Collect, analyze and use gender statistics and gender-disaggregated data and benchmarks to measure and report results at all levels.





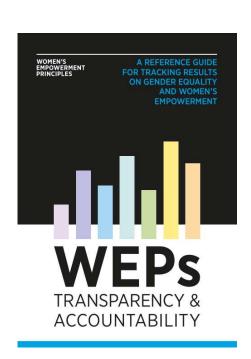
Suggested Actions

- Report annually on progress in implementation of Women's Empowerment Principles
- Share lessons learned and good practices in implementation of WEPs and publish them on the WEPs website.





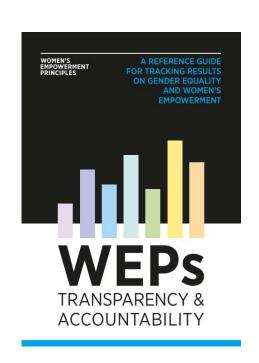




This is a reference guide for the WEPs
 Transparency and Accountability framework to
 assist WEPs signatories in tracking their results on
 gender equality and women's empowerment.





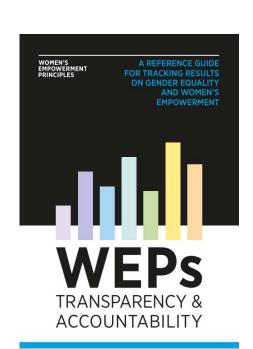


- BASELINE INDICATORS
 As companies join and sign the WEPs
- 2 ESSENTIAL INDICATORS
 For driving sustainable change towards gender equality
- **3** COMPLEMENTARY INDICATORS
 In key areas to tackle systemic barriers to gender equality
- INPUT AND SUPPORT MEASURES INDICATORS

 To track policies, practices, measures foundational to achieving gender equality and women's empowerment
- 5 ADDITIONAL INDICATORS



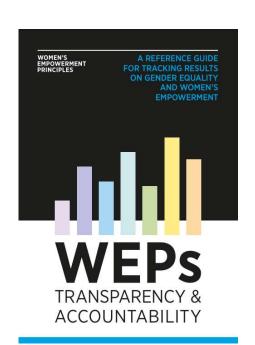




- 1. Percent of women and men employees
- 2. Percent of women and men in senior management positions
- 3. Percent of women and men on boards
- 4. Ratio of women's salary to men's salary
- 5. Percentage of new hires women and men
- 6. Percentage of promotions and career opportunities women and men
- 7. Retention rate of women and men FTE employees who took parental leave.
- 8. Has a confidential grievance, resolution, reporting and nonretaliation mechanism and procedure to address and respond to incidents of violence and harassment.





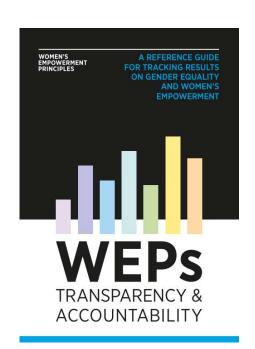


Indicators for marketplace examples:

- Percentage of procurement spend with women-owned businesses
- Percentage of procurement spend with companies with gender equality commitments
- Has a stand-alone responsible marketing policy or commitment embedded in a boarder corporate policy that address the portrayal of gender stereotypes





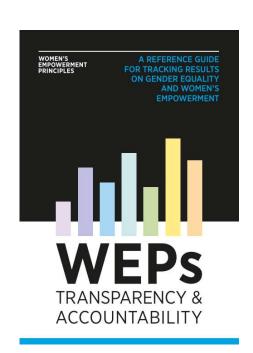


Indicators for community examples:

- Has a policy or commitment embedded in a wider corporate policy to integrate inclusive gender considerations into product design and delivery
- Has a stand-alone policy or a commitment embedded in a broader corporate policy that addresses embedding gender in corporate social responsibility activities, philanthropy, public advocacy, and partnerships.







To learn how to report on www.weps.org/, please join the upcoming WEPs induction session.

For WEPs signatories only





—Group Discussion

- 1. What are your company's top 3 goals in terms of advancing gender equality and women's empowerment?
- 2. What are the targets for these 3 goals and how are you monitoring progress?
- 3. What are some challenges in measuring your company's progress on gender equality and women's empowerment?



Thank you!

