

UN Women

In July 2010, the United Nations General Assembly created UN Women, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women.

The main roles of UN Women are:

- To support inter-governmental bodies, such as the Commission on the Status of Women, in their formulation of policies, global standards and norms.
- To help Member States to implement these standards, standing ready to provide suitable technical and financial support to those countries that request it, and to forge effective partnerships with civil society.
- To lead and coordinate the UN system's work on gender equality as well as promote accountability, including through regular monitoring of system-wide progress.

The Women's Empowerment Principles offer practical guidance to business and the private sector on how to empower women in the workplace, marketplace and community.

In brief, the Principles are:

- Establish high-level corporate leadership for gender equality
- Treat all women and men fairly at work—respect and support human rights and non-discrimination
- Ensure the health, safety and well-being of all women and men workers
- Promote Education, training and professional development for women

Implement enterprise development, supply chain and marketing practices that empower women

- Promote equality through community initiatives and advocacy
- Measure and publicly report on progress to achieve gender equality

Geographical level

International

Location

Other (Non LAC or EU)

Country

Barbados

Bolivia

Brazil

Colombia

Dominican Republic

Ecuador

El Salvador

Guatemala

Haiti

Mexico

Uruguay

Type of organisation

Public Institutions

Area of interest

Governance, Political Affairs

Education for work

Economy and Sustainable Development

Corporate Social Responsibility

Social Affairs

Gender

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