

Launch of the 5th edition of the Social Institutions  
and Gender Index (SIGI) - a CSW67 side event

**New Data Alert!**

## Exploring what the SIGI 2023 database can do to shy away from gender-based discrimination

16 March 2023, 1:15-2:30 PM EST  
UN Conference Building, Room B

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*Registration is on a first come, first served basis,  
due to the limited capacity of the meeting room*

1:15 – 1:25 PM

### Opening remarks

- **H.E. Alexander Marschik**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations in New York

1:25 -1:40 PM

### What does the new SIGI data reveal? Presentation of the SIGI key findings

- **Bathylle Missika**, Head of the Networks, Partnerships and Gender Division, OECD Development Centre

1:40-2:30 PM

### Panel discussion: Exploring what the SIGI 2023 database can do to shy away from gender-based discrimination

- *Moderator:* **Hyeshin Park**, Economist, Gender Programme Co-ordinator, OECD Development Centre

#### Panellists:

- **Amina Hersi**, Head of Gender Rights & Justice Advocacy and Campaigns, Oxfam International
- **Begoña Lasagabaster**, Director of Gender Equality, UNESCO
- **Miia Rainne**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations
- **Martina Rogato**, Sustainability and Diversity Advisor & Founder of ESG Boutique - Chair, G20, W20 Climate change Task force & G7, W7 Gender Advisor

#### Open discussion / Q&A

Co-hosted by Austria, Ireland, Korea, Finland and Japan, the OECD Development Centre is organising the CSW67 Side-event to launch the 5th edition of the SIGI:

- **WHAT DOES THE NEW SIGI DATA REVEAL?** We will take stock of the landscape of discriminatory social institutions in 2023 globally and regionally, compared to the 4th edition of the SIGI launched in 2019
- **ARE WE THERE YET?** We will identify the main areas of progress and remaining challenges when it comes to persisting discriminatory formal and informal laws, social norms and practices
- **WHAT SEEMS TO WORK?** The session will allow sharing of insights from partner countries' initiatives to promote a transformative shift away from deeply-rooted gender-based discrimination
- **HOW CAN WE USE SIGI TO ACHIEVE CHANGE?** We will discuss how the development community can leverage SIGI data into its interventions and better work together in accelerating transformative change and realise the 2030 Agenda

The OECD Development Centre's Social Institutions and Gender Index (SIGI) is a unique cross-country measure of discriminatory social institutions, defined as formal and informal laws, social norms, and practices that restrict the rights, access to empowerment opportunities and resources for women and girls. Since almost 15 years, the SIGI has been looking at the root causes of gender inequality, notably the gaps that legislation, social norms and practices create between women and men in terms of rights and opportunities throughout the life cycle.

The proposed side-event aims to unveil key features of the 5th edition of the SIGI by sharing new data informing policy debates on social norms and discrimination against women and girls across the globe, compared to the SIGI's previous edition, four years ago. Speakers will share insights on how gender-transformative policies and innovative programmes can challenge gender norms and promote women's rights, gender equality and sustainable development.

A panel discussion on "Exploring what the SIGI 2023 database can do to shy away from gender-based discrimination" will explore how collective action from policy makers, grassroots organisations, but also philanthropy and the wider development community can accelerate the realisation of SDG 5 and the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development, notably through policy making and programmatic interventions that use the SIGI framework as a main thread.



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This is an in-person event only, and it will be held in English.