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# Gender equality and nexus sectors' assessment in Albania

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## **Overview**

Gender Equality progress in Albania

Gender Equality Assessment for nexus sectors

## Proggres towards gender equality \



- Albania has made significant improvements in advancing the normative framework for gender equality in line with international, regional and local standards and obligations, recognizing that gender equality in all areas such as de jure and de facto is critical to the sustainable development of society
- Due to various interventions, Albania has progressed in some specific areas more than in others which also affects its overall progress. But progress must be equal and similar in all key areas of development
- Challenges in the effective implementation of the legal framework and policies for gender equality negatively affect equality between women and men, as well as the development of the country in general



## **Sustainable Development Goals**

- The SDG Report of June 14, 2021, presents the Index and Dashboards for all UN member states, as well as describes the short-term impacts of Covid-19
- Member countries are ranked according to their overall score and progress towards achieving 17 SDGs.
- <u>Sustainable Development Report 2021 Sustainable Development Report</u> (sdgindex.org)

SDG Index Rank

64/165





### SDG Dashboards and Trends

Click on a goal to view more information.







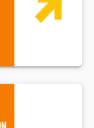


































Dashboards: SDG achieved Challenges remain Significant challenges remain Major challenges remain Information unavailable

Trends: ↑ On track or maintaining SDG achievement 7 Moderately improving → Stagnating ↓ Decreasing • Trend information unavailable

## Global Gender Gap Index



**World Economic Forum** 

- In 2020, Albania was ranked the 20th among 153 countries. While this is a significant improvement compared to previous years, it has occurred mainly as a result of increased formal representation of women in political decision-making
- This progress is not at all similar to the achievements of gender equality in the other three dimensions such as Economic Participation and Opportunities, Educational Attainment and Health and Survival
- http://www3.weforum.org/docs/WEF\_GGGR\_2020.pdf



## **Gender Equality Index EU**

- Albania has a high result in the EU 2020 Index, where it has accumulated 60.4 out of 100
  possible points and ranks only seven points below the EU-28 average.
- Measuring indicators are in the areas of: work, money, knowledge, time, power and health
- This result is again due to the representation of women in politics and the high number of female students participating in higher education, achievements which are in stark contrast to the lack of access of women to essential resources, such as "money", "caregiving", "use of time" and "social power".
- http://www.instat.gov.al/media/6661/gender equality index for the republic of albania 2020.pdf

## Human Development Report



- In the UNDP Human Development Report 2020, Albania ranks 69th out of 189 countries, reflecting a general and gradual upward trend over the last decade.
- However, Albania scores at the lowest level of development in the categories
  "Women's Empowerment" and "Gender Gap in the Course of Life" specifically in
  the following areas: employment of women in senior and middle level
  management; number of girls in science, technology, engineering and
  mathematics (STEM); gender ratio at birth; percentage of women employed
  outside the agricultural sector; as well as in housework and caregiving.
- http://hdr.undp.org/en/countries/profiles/ALB



Water, Energy, Food, Ecosystems

## **Nexus Sectors**

#### **Nexus Sectors include:**

- (i) Water resources management and water supply and sewerage
- (ii) Energy
- (iii) Food, Agriculture and Forests
- (iv) Environment Protection

## Gender Equality in nexus sectors

- Review of strategies and policies
- Institutional structure
- Challenges for gender mainstreaming in policies and their implementation
- Positive models of addressing gender equality in development programs
- Identify potential interventions to accelerate the achievement of gender equality in these sectors

<ul> <li>Gender transformative</li> </ul>		Addresses the underlying causes of gender-based inequalities and transforms harmful gender norms, roles and relationships
~	Gender Mainstreaming (GM)	Includes statements around gender across the program but does not focus on gender norms or harmful practices
Ť	Partial GM	Efforts made to include women as beneficiaries
4	Gender aware	Acknowledges gender differences but does not sufficiently address gender inequities
	Gender neutral	Vague, erratic or insubstantial effort
1	Gender blind/unequal	No attempts to address gender and likely perpetuates gender inequalities

## **Gender mainstreaming**

Strategies to achieve gender equality by ending gender blindness

It aims for women, girls and men, boys to have equal access and control over resources, opportunities and benefits at all levels

## Review of policies and strategies from a gender perspective

- Gender sensitive language that refers to both women and men making both genders inherently equal through their needs and priorities
- Analysis and collection of data disaggregated by sex
- Equal access and use of services
- Equal participation of women and men in decision-making at all levels
- Access and knowledge on finances and budget allocations









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