



# Gender and the sustainable management of natural resources in Albania

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# OVERVIEW

- Why gender is important in natural resources?
- What did we do?
- What did we learn?
- What needs to be done next?

# Why gender is important?

- Women and men use NR in a different way due their gender roles, rights, and responsibilities at the household and community. Effective policies and programming requires understanding and addressing of the gender-specific relationships to natural resources use and management and specific linkages between natural resources, cultural values, and local knowledge.
- Environmental changes, including biodiversity loss, climate change, natural disasters, and energy development have different impact on women and men. This understanding is essential if we're to promote sustainable development and effective conservation and appropriate management of natural resources.

**1** NO  
POVERTY



**2** ZERO  
HUNGER



**3** GOOD HEALTH  
AND WELL-BEING



**4** QUALITY  
EDUCATION



**5** GENDER  
EQUALITY



**6** CLEAN WATER  
AND SANITATION



**7** AFFORDABLE AND  
CLEAN ENERGY



**8** DECENT WORK AND  
ECONOMIC GROWTH



**9** INDUSTRY, INNOVATION  
AND INFRASTRUCTURE



**10** REDUCED  
INEQUALITIES



**11** SUSTAINABLE CITIES  
AND COMMUNITIES



**12** RESPONSIBLE  
CONSUMPTION  
AND PRODUCTION



**13** CLIMATE  
ACTION



**14** LIFE  
BELOW WATER



**15** LIFE  
ON LAND



**16** PEACE, JUSTICE  
AND STRONG  
INSTITUTIONS



**17** PARTNERSHIPS  
FOR THE GOALS



**SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT  
GOALS**

# What did we do?

- Gender Mainstreaming Strategy and Action Plan
- Organized webinars and workshops and presentations
- A brief Gender Analysis of Nexus strategies and policies and revision of all assessment documents
  - *"Addressing challenges and utilizing opportunities emerging because of transition to a green economy, digital transformation, climate change and the environment "*
- Media Coverage



# What did we learn?

- Lack of sex-disaggregated data
- Lack of gender mainstreaming in policies and strategies
- Lack of adequate human and financial resources
- Lack of combined knowledge in nexus sectors and gender
- Lack of balanced women and men participation (both in nexus sectors and activities)



# What did we learn?

- Strong GE legislative framework
- Well established Gender Machinery and women organizations with relevant gender knowledge that needs to be included more in future activities and events
- It is important to mainstream gender sooner rather than latter in nexus sector strategies, policies and actions
- Positive examples and projects in the country, but also in the region
- There is a need to establish, strengthen networks that can ensure sustainability of gender in nexus sectors



## What is needed in the future?

- **Addressing the gender gap in all identified areas**





# Take away...

- **Understand** - Women and men have different access, use (abuse) and benefit from NR
- **Collect and analyze** - Sex-disaggregated data is key to gender sensitive strategies, policies and interventions
- **Encourage** - balanced participation at all levels



# Thank you

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