



Welcome to Wikigender

Your online resource on gender equality

(www.wikigender.org)

Overview

Wikigender is an interactive platform to share and discuss information on gender equality. It covers a broad range of issues, including theoretical concepts, empirical evidence and policy lessons. In particular, **Wikigender** focuses on statistics and measurement tools, making the platform a valuable instrument to identify new aspects of gender equality and to illustrate ways in which these aspects can be measured. In this respect, **Wikigender** will serve as a pilot project for the OECD-initiative on “Measuring and Fostering the Progress of Societies”.

What is a wiki?

A wiki is a special software that allows users to easily build, edit and link web pages. Wikis are therefore frequently used to create collaborative websites whose content is modified continuously by users. The basic idea of a wiki is to encourage active participation of its members (e.g. by allowing them to comment on specific issues, change existing articles, or post new information). **Wikigender** follows a 3-tier approach. Depending on the specific user status, it grants people access to (i) read, (ii) modify and (iii) protect content, which guarantees the security of sensitive and proprietary information.

Community

Although **Wikigender** is managed by the OECD Development Centre, the content of the site mainly depends on the input from external users. We are equally open to collaborate in the maintenance of the site with other organisations and look forward to welcoming new partners seeking to join this project. Our aim is to build an active community that uses and regularly updates **Wikigender**. Invited partners include other international organisations, NGOs and research institutes. We particularly look forward to welcoming partners from the developing world.

Structure

Many people are by now familiar with using a wiki, although mostly as passive consumers of information provided on www.wikipedia.org. **Wikigender** builds on this familiarity and offers many of the functionalities that you will already know from the online Encyclopaedia. For example, **Wikigender** features a *search* option to look for specific articles, allows you to *comment* on existing articles using the “discussion” function, to *modify* content by “editing” an existing page, to *create* new articles for topics that have not been covered, to *upload* documents and images etc.

Join Now

We look forward to welcoming you on our site and hope that this project will offer an interesting new way of exchanging and sharing experiences and knowledge on gender equality. **Wikigender** is open to everybody, so please help make this initiative a success by joining today. Needless to say, our team will be happy to address any questions you may have. Please contact us at contact@wikigender.org