Report on the activities carried out by the Secretariat since the Fifty-Seventh Meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean (Santiago, 30-31 July 2018)

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Milestones of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

**2016 milestones**
- XIII Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, Montevideo, 25-28 October 2016

**2017 milestones**
- ECLAC position paper
- Strategy adopted by governments
- 40 years of the Regional Gender Agenda

**2019 milestones**
- XIV Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, Havana 1977-2017
- Report on the implementation of the Montevideo Strategy and its synergy with Beijing+25
- Agreements to be approved by Governments
Work areas

Technical secretariat for governments in the region
- Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean (RCW)
- Statistical Conference of the Americas (SCA) - Working Group on Gender Statistics

Capacity-building
- Technical Assistance to countries in the region
- Meetings of experts

Knowledge production
- Studies on the progress of gender equality and policy recommendations for women's autonomy and equality.
Technical Secretariat: Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

Preparations for the XIV RCW

- Three online preparatory meetings with Caribbean Governments (Nov, Dec, Jan)
- Preparation of the annotated index of the position document
- Organization of the 58th Meeting of the Presiding Officers

Other activities

- Supporting governments in the 3rd Regional Conference on Population and Development (Aug.)
- Supporting governments in the Regional Consultation in preparation for CSW63 organized by UN Women (Dec.)
- Technical Secretariat activities of the Working Group on Gender Statistics of the Statistical Conference of the Americas
## Capacity-building: technical assistance and expert meetings

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| **Time-use surveys**                         | • XVI International Meeting of Information Specialists on Time Use and Unpaid Work (Aguascalientes, México, 4-5 Sept. 2018)  
  • Paraguay (NSO-MAW); El Salvador (DIGESTYC-ISDEMU); Guatemala (INE-SEPREM); Dominican Republic (NSO-Ministry of Women), Bolivia (INE) |
| **Trade and gender**                         | • El Salvador (PROESA-ISDEMU)                                                |
| **Violence against women**                  | • Measurement of feminicide: El Salvador (ISDEMU); Dominican Republic (Ministry of Women)  
  • Violence observatories: Paraguay (Ministry of Women); Uruguay (Inmujeres-OPP)  
  • Violence against women surveys: El Salvador (MAW); Uruguay (MAW)  
  • Costs of violence: El Salvador (DIGESTYC-ISDEMU-BCR)  
  • Ecuador (Ministry of Justice)  
  • Trinidad and Tobago (Participation of 4 ministries and Prime Minister’s Office on Gender and Children’s Affairs) |
| **Gender gaps in the Financial System**      | • Chile (SBIF)  
  • Guatemala (Superintendency of Banks - SEPREM)  
  • Costa Rica (SUGEF-INAMU) |
| **Gender mainstreaming in the production of indicators for monitoring the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs** | • XIX International Meeting on Gender Statistics (Aguascalientes, México, 5-7 Sept. 2018)  
  • Chile (Course on Gender in the SDGs, Ministry of Social Development)  
  • Dominican Republic (NSO) |
| **Policies and plans for gender equality**   | • Action Plan of the National Policy for Equality and Support Units Network for gender equality, Costa Rica (INAMU)  
  • Policies on gender equality and sustainable development in Caribbean countries (ongoing: Study on gender and climate change and meeting of experts) |
Knowledge production

**Technical Vocational Education and Training**

- Job training for the economic autonomy of women in poverty: the case of Uruguay (Spanish only)
- In progress: women’s trajectories in TVET systems in Ecuador and Uruguay

**Equality and rights**

- Afro-descendant women in Latin America and the Caribbean. Debts of equality (available in Spanish, English and Portuguese)
- Between legal equality and de facto discrimination: Recommendations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) for the States of Latin America and the Caribbean (available in Spanish and English)
- Ongoing: Implementation of the Lisbon Declaration on policies and programs for youth in the Caribbean (available in English)
- Revision and Evaluation of the Implementation of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development in the Caribbean (available in English)

**Women’s economic autonomy**

- Opportunities and challenges for women’s autonomy in the future of work (Spanish only)

**Care Work**

- 3 series on care work in the cities of Havana, Montevideo and Mexico:
  - Opportunities and proposals in Boyeros and Guanabacoa (Havana) municipalities (Spanish only)
  - Waiting times on public and private pediatric health services in Montevideo (Spanish only)
  - Public resources and care needs in Mexico City (Spanish only)

- Care work in Latin America and the Caribbean. Selected texts 2007-2018 (Spanish only)

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# Gender Equality Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean

## Indicators

- Indicator updates for: physical autonomy and autonomy in decision-making as of December 2017, and for economic autonomy (last available period)
- Methodological and quality review of feminicide data as well as representation in local government indicators;
- Survey of national institutions that are responsible for data registers regarding homicides of women and feminicide data;
- Incorporation of new countries to time-use indicators.

## Reports and studies

- Studies 2: "From beneficiaries to citizens. Access and treatment of women in pension systems in Latin America“ (in press);
- Observatory report in a new format (currently underway);
- Study on the measurement of femicide in Latin America and the Caribbean (currently underway);
- Study on migration laws in Latin America and the Caribbean (currently underway).
- Notes for Equality nº 27 “Femicide, the most extreme expression of violence against women”

## Expert meetings

- Expert meetings on feminicide measurement, activity called by ECLAC and the Public Ministry of Peru, with the support of UNDP: March 25-26, 2019;
- Meeting of economists for the analysis of women’s autonomy in changing economic scenarios, activity convened by UNDP as a contribution to the XIV Regional Conference on Women.
Access to the Observatory’s web page grew in the 2017-2018 period

- Growth in usage of the Gender Equality Observatory’s web page is 141%
- Positioning in search engines improves
Gender mainstreaming in ECLAC and inter-institutional work

Gender mainstreaming in ECLAC

- Chapter on women in the labor market for the Social Panorama 2018 (Social Development Division).
- Gender Equality Observatory and regional framework indicators for SDG monitoring in SCA (Statistics Division).
- Follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development (CELADE).
- Gender and trade (International Trade and Integration Division).
- Convergence on technological revolution and social inclusion issues with a gender perspective (Production, Productivity and Management Division).
- Challenges for women in the labor market (Economic Development Division).
- Technical Vocational Education and Training (Social Development Division and Economic Development Division).
- Contributions to the Forum of the Countries on Sustainable Development document
- Strengthening capacities of governments in the Caribbean (ECLAC Sub-regional Headquarters for the Caribbean)
- Update of ECLAC’s Gender Mainstreaming Strategy

Collaboration with the United Nations System and intergovernmental organizations and other groups

- Gender Equality Observatory: IOM, UNFPA, PAHO, FAO, UN Women, UNDP, AECID, SEGIB.
- UNITE Campaign to end violence against women and girls
- UNICEF (Children’s Day and incorporation to the Gender Equality Observatory)
- UN DESA (gender statistics)
- UN Inter-Agency Network on Gender Equality (IANWGE)
- UN Inter Agency Task Team sub-group on STI and Gender
- UN Theme Group on Gender Equality, HIV and Human Rights, Port of Spain and Caribbean Migration Consultations
- Interamerican Task Force on Women’s Empowerment and Leadership (CIM/OAS)
- European Union (Spotlight, RF Development in Transition Project)
- World Bank (Normative frameworks for equality)
- UN Women (CSW and Beijing +25)
ECLAC Division for Gender Affairs

Gender Equality Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean
oig.cepal.org/en

The libguide Regional Gender Agenda
biblioguias.cepal.org/RegionalGenderAgenda

Montevideo Strategy
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3U0F5VSGTW0&t=41s