WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT AND INFLUENCE

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Indicators Reflecting Women’s Changing Responsibilities in Society

New area in social and economic statistics

Widely recognized necessary to

• Highlight changing contributions of women to civil society and the national body politic and
• Promote greater gender equality in the public sphere.
Political Participation

Participation at Higher Administrative Levels

Participation in Economic Decision Making
  National level
  Household level
Political Participation

- Participation in national elections
- Participation in local elections
- Percent women among members of parliament
- Percent women among candidates for parliament
- Percent women among parliamentary committees
- Percent women among leaders of political parties
- Percent women among members of cabinet
Participation at Higher Administrative Levels

Percent women at higher levels in
- regional administration
- national administration
- local administration, e.g. mayors, members of local boards
- judges
- labor unions leaders
- university professors, deans and presidents
Participation in Economic Decision Making

- National level
- Household Level
National level

Managers and board members in the private sector, e.g.

• 25 largest private companies
• Other companies

Managers and board members in the voluntary sector, e.g.

• 25 largest NGOs
• Other NGOS
Female Entrepreneurship

Percent women and men workers among

• Employers in the formal sector
• Employers in the informal sector
Household Level

• Women’s share in household decision making

• Difference in the average age at first marriage of men and women
What do we have?

Legislature

4/128* or 3.1 percent

Ministers

2/30 or 6.7 percent

(*128/138 by IPU)
Ambassadors: 1-6 percent
   Pipeline has 7.4 percent

Judges: 28 percent

Syndicate Boards: 3/18 or 17 percent
Household Level

Decision making in economic and social spheres

 Buying major items for the household

 64 % wife and husband together
 37 % husband only

 Deciding on family visits

 88 % wife and husband together
 11 % husband only

(preliminary data MISC3 survey, 2009)
How do we proceed from this slim base?

- Annual review of administrative data
- Household survey data on decision-making
- Labor market surveys on entrepreneurs
- Special surveys of industry

*Important to collect also to serve as a baseline for future monitoring*
Thank you