



# Build Sustainable Financing and Partnerships for Girls and Women

## THE WORLD TODAY

ONLY 4%

Gender equality programming amounted to only 4% of OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) members' bilateral aid in 2015-2016

ESTIMATED  
73%

An estimated 73% of the global population lacks government-funded social protection coverage – as extreme poverty disproportionately affects women, this absence of a safety net hits them hardest



Funding for girls and women is particularly lacking in business, banking, financial services, social infrastructure services, energy, and water supply sectors

## SOLUTIONS



New cross-sector partnerships and development assistance to meet the needs of girls and women



Robust social protection schemes that support the most vulnerable

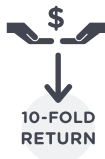


Gender-responsive budgets that are in line with development commitments



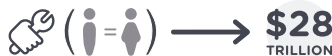
National and sub-national taxation and redistribution to finance SDG investments for girls and women

## THE INVESTMENT CASE



Investments in reproductive, maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health yield at least a 10-fold return through better education, workforce participation, and social contributions

If women's informal labor were recognized and they were to participate in the economy at the same rate and level as men, there could be a \$28 trillion increase in global GDP by 2025



# *The transformative power of girls and women is undeniable. It is time for development partners to invest wisely, invest together, and invest often.*

## ASKS

Focus on girls and women in political and funding priorities across SDG targets and indicators, and ensure time-bound implementation of **transparent, reliable funding streams** that honor commitments made in international and regional agreements.

Increase spending through progressive taxation and develop **gender-responsive budgets** in line with the SDG commitments made to girls and women.

Support countries to effectively **monitor and audit taxes and budgets** to finance SDG investments.

Develop **new partnerships across sectors**, foster horizontal investments, account for social determinants of health, and work toward more sustainable domestic financing to boost efficient financing and implementation of the SDGs and examine alternative forms of financing to help meet demands.

Account for, develop, and manage sound, equitable **budgets in line with funding the SDGs**.

Strengthen government accountability and **call out corruption and negligence** in all sectors.

## RIPPLE EFFECT

