Gender under the UNFCCC

- 2001: Increase representation and participation of women
- 2012: Gender balance goal, standing item on COP agenda, reporting
- 2014: Two year work programme on gender to 2016
- 2015: Paris Agreement: human rights language, capacity-building, adaptation
- 2016: Three year work programme on gender to 2019
- 2017: Gender Action Plan to 2019
- 2019: Enhanced gender work programme & action plan to 2024
Gender Action Plan

- Priority Area A: Capacity Building, Knowledge Management & Communication
- Priority Area B: Gender Balance, Participation & Women’s Leadership
- Priority Area C: Coherence
- Priority Area D: Gender – Responsive Implementation & Means of Implementation
- Priority Area E: Monitoring & Reporting
Differentiated impacts

- Three broad themes for how impacts of climate change are differentiated
  - Actual or perceived vulnerability of individuals, groups and communities
  - Who is involved in decision-making and attitudes towards responses to climate change impacts
  - Who benefits from action on climate change

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“Differences in vulnerability and exposure arise from non-climatic factors and from multidimensional factors...These differences shape differential risks from climate change. People who are socially, economically, culturally, politically, institutionally, or otherwise marginalized are especially vulnerable to climate change and also to some adaptation and mitigation responses.”
Beyond vulnerability

- Every anthropogenic greenhouse gas emission is connected to decisions, behaviour, choices, action or inaction of people.

- Every climate change policy, project or programme that impacts/benefits/involves people requires a consideration of gender to be as effective (and just) as possible.

- Every climate change policy, project or programme needs to be as effective as possible to objectives of the Convention and Paris Agreement (1.5°C).
Entry points in National Determined Contributions

Source: UNDP
Opportunities and challenges

Gender knowledge ↔ Climate knowledge

- International
- National
- Regional/local

Policy alignment and coherence & institutional arrangements

Gender analysis and sex-disaggregated data

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