



# Promoting Gender Equality in HIV and AIDS Responses:

Making Aid More Effective Through Tracking Results

## About the publication

### ***Promoting Gender Equality in HIV and AIDS***

***Responses: Making Aid More Effective Through Tracking Results*** highlights the need for a framework that links structural, social and individual determinants of gender inequality and presents opportunities to strengthen the focus on intersections between HIV, violence against women, and sexual and reproductive health access and rights.

While a majority of countries have policies on HIV and AIDS, it is unclear to what extent funding and current aid flows are indeed effective in improving the lives of women and girls and achieving gender equality. This publication, based on a 2008 expert consultation organized by the European Commission and UNIFEM on "Tracking and Monitoring Gender Equality and HIV/AIDS in Aid Effectiveness" identifies and promotes approaches in national development planning, implementation and budgeting that offer real results in empowering women and reducing HIV and AIDS among women and girls.

## Key findings

The assessment presents a number of key findings that focus on the need:

- To address gaps in tracking budgets and expenditures on gender equality;
- To transform the structural conditions that heighten the vulnerability of women and girls to HIV;
- For comprehensive gender equality indicators for use in monitoring progress to meet key targets and goals outlined within the United Nations Declaration of Commitment on HIV and AIDS.

## Recommendations

Recommendations of the expert consultation include a series of suggestions for:

- Integrating gender equality dimensions of HIV/AIDS into national development planning, implementing and budgeting;
- Strengthening indicators for monitoring and tracking progress to eliminate violence against women and improve women's access to sexual and reproductive health and rights in the context of HIV/AIDS;
- Inspiring new areas of advocacy and new entry points for improving knowledge and awareness on gender equality and HIV/AIDS in the context of aid effectiveness.

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