Mainstreaming Gender into Sub-Saharan Africa Transport Policy (SSATP): Towards Inclusion

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Be Aware

- Gender is not only Woman issues
- Gender does not designate Woman but relationship between Men and Women, since it refers to social difference between Women and Men.

Definition of Gender

The term gender refers to culturally based expectations of the roles and behaviors of males and females. The term distinguishes the socially constructed from the biologically determined aspects for being male and female.

Definition of Inclusion

Inclusion is a strategy creating an enabling environment while taking into consideration, women and men needs.

SSATP Gender Mainstreaming Dual Approach Focuses on:

 (I) Integration of women and men's needs and interests throughout transport policies and projects (equality for men & women in distribution of power, knowledge, opportunities)

(II) Specific actions aimed at empowering women (visibility, voice, access, active participation)

Gender at the SSATP Annual Meeting 2010

Objective 1

- Participation of **Anglo & Francophone countries that have integrated gender** in their policies & operations to share experiences of good practice & challenges
- Participation of women groups as beneficiaries

Objective

- Facilitate the process of SSATP members integrating gender into their polices & operations post-Kampala, including:
- Donors, international, regional organizations
- Program implementers
- Country partners (public/private)

Gender & Inclusion Breakout Sessions: Expected Outcome

Active Participation of Women's Groups in Discussions

Facilitation of Women and Gender Specialists to Explore Issues, Set Objectives and Priorities

Reporting Back from Group Discussions

A meaningful quote

Gender equality is more than a goal in itself. It is a precondition for meeting the challenge of reducing poverty, promoting sustainable development and building good governance.

Kofi Annan