

# ROADMAP FOR SUBSTANTIVE EQUALITY: 2030

Global Partnerships for Women and Legislative Reform

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Meaningful and substantive gender equality requires legal and institutional frameworks which have the capacity to promote, enforce, and monitor gender-sensitive legislation. Adopted in September 2015, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development established 17 Goals and 169 targets to be achieved over the next 15 years. Incorporated within Goal 5: Gender Equality is the specific Target 5.1, “End all forms of discrimination against women and girls everywhere.” This covers all areas of discrimination in law, policies, and practice.

**Women and girls face sex discrimination in the law in all areas: political and public life, marriage and family life, access to justice, gender-based violence and economic access.** This second-class treatment further impacts their families, communities, and society at large. Sustainable development cannot be achieved without laws that enable women to reach their full potential. The scope of the Roadmap for Substantive Equality: 2030 seeks legislative reform in all areas to ensure gender equality and women’s empowerment is realized in all aspects of women and girls’ day-to-day lives.

UN Women, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and Equality Now will launch The Roadmap for Substantive Equality: 2030 on 14 February 2017 to **promote global and multi-sectoral partnerships between international and regional organizations, governments, parliaments and civil society** to repeal or amend existing discriminatory laws, and enact and implement legislative reforms grounded in gender equality and international human rights and legal frameworks.

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