The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has been investing in gender statistics in recognition of the power of data to monitor and track progress on gender equality and women’s empowerment. Two recent data initiatives aimed to address gender data gaps in the region and provide a roadmap for strengthening gender statistics in the region. With UN Women, the ADB launched in October 2018 the first comprehensive gender review of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), focusing on the availability of data in the Asia and the Pacific region, and policy pathways to achieve SDG 5 by 2030. ADB has also been involved in two EDGE surveys measuring women’s asset ownership in Georgia and Mongolia.

ADB will present these latest publications on gender statistics during an hour-long side-event, followed by a cocktail reception.

- **OPENING REMARKS**
  Takashi Matsuo, Representative, ADB Japanese Representative Office

- **PRESENTATION**
  ADB’s work on gender statistics and the *Pilot Surveys on Measuring Asset Ownership and Entrepreneurship from a Gender Perspective*
  Kaushal Joshi, Principal Statistician, ADB

  ADB and UN Women Joint Report: *Gender Equality and the Sustainable Development Goals: Baseline and pathways for transformative change by 2030*
  Kaushal Joshi, Principal Statistician, ADB
  Sara Valero, Regional Gender Statistics Specialist, UN Women

  *Moderator: Papa Seck*, Chief Statistician, UN Women

- **COCKTAIL RECEPTION**