Advancing Methodology on Measuring Asset Ownership from a Gender Perspective

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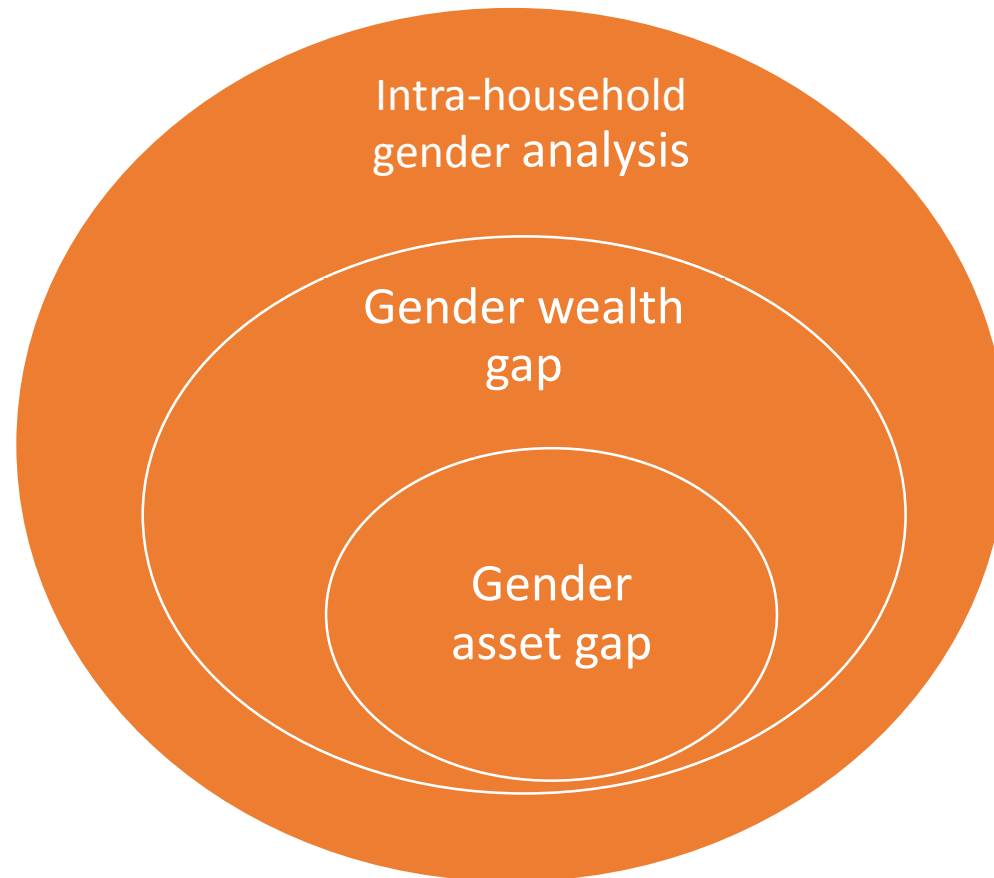
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EDGE overview

- Joint collaboration of UNSD and UN Women that seeks to accelerate existing efforts to improve Evidence and Data for Gender Equality (EDGE) – since 2013

- Builds on the work of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics (IAEG-GS)

- Funded by Governments of Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Republic of Korea and USA

- Implemented in partnership with NSOs, ADB, FAO, ILO, OECD, and the World Bank

EDGE methodology on measuring individual-level asset ownership from a gender perspective

- Develop guidelines to measure individual-level asset ownership from a gender perspective

The Guidelines are

- Targeted to the NSOs
- Consistent with existing internationally-agreed standards
- Consistent with structure of UNSD international statistical guidelines

EDGE methodology on measuring individual-level asset ownership from a gender perspective

- Piloted proposed methodologies in 7 countries: Georgia, Maldives, Mexico, Mongolia, Philippines, South Africa, Uganda (2014-2016)

- Went through many rounds of technical consultation with experts and countries (2013-2017)

- Finalise the guidelines (end of 2017)

- Promote the use of the guidelines in different countries – technical assistance (2018)

Highlights of the Guidelines (1)

- Conceptual framework on key concepts
  - Which assets to consider? Priority versus additional assets
  - How is ownership/rights defined?
  - Self-reported versus proxy data
  - Other important concepts: joint versus exclusive ownership; establishing values
- Sources of data: the role of household surveys

Some Highlights of the Guidelines (2)

- Guidance for implementation
  - Planning a survey
  - Data collection strategies: minimum set of questions; module appended to an existing household survey; stand-alone surveys
  - Modes of data collection
  - Sampling: within-household selection
  - Questionnaire design
  - Field operations
- Data processing, analysis and dissemination
  - Data editing, imputation and weighting
  - Recommended indicators: global & national indicators; SDG 5.a.1
  - Data analysis & dissemination of results

Thank you!