Advancing Methodology on Measuring Asset Ownership from a Gender Perspective

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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!