

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Article

Methodological reflections on studying gender-sensitive parliaments cross-nationally: a “Most Significant Change” approach

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“Stories of Change” – Guiding Questions

“Stories of Change”: We are looking for “success stories” which offer examples of how the parliament has taken important steps forward in reaching gender equality. We emphasis examples which parliaments like to share with other parliaments in the spirit of peer-to-peer learning and which they consider good practices or important achievements in their country.

Please describe briefly the adopted change:

Form of change and basic facts

- What exactly was adopted? (e.g. new law affecting society; new formal rule or procedure with effect within the parliament; new (informal) rule or routine with effect within the parliament)
- When was it adopted? If different please also add: when will come into force?

Process leading to change

- Who were the actors that proposed and negotiated the change?
- If different: Who adopted the change?
- Who was in favour, who was against the change? In other words: what were obstacles or difficulties in the process? How was conflict solved and a compromise found?

Effect of Change

- What are the core differences compared to the situation before?
- Who will be affected by the change?
- How does the change improve gender equality? If applicable: how does the change promote gender equality in society at large?

Recommendations for other parliaments

- What would you recommend to other parliaments seeking a similar change? What are core points to watch out for?
- What are next steps that you realised need to be addressed in the future?