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ONLINE EVENT

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Promoting Equal Opportunities for Women in the Labour Market through Business Environment Reforms

Business Environment Reforms for Women's Economic Empowerment series

ABOUT THE ICR FACILITY

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The ICR Facility supports specific and targeted interventions at the economy-wide, sectorial and value chain level with Technical Assistance for up to 90 days based on requests. Requests can be handed in by OACPS public and private stakeholders according to the eligibility requirements. The ICR Facility offers Technical Assistance in the field of Business Environment Reform for inclusive and sustainable economic development on the basis Public-Private Dialogue.

Women are more likely to be unemployed, be economically inactive, work in the informal sector, and to have temporary or more precarious employment than men. A mix of social norms, time scarcity – in particular due to unpaid care activities or the lack of quality and affordable care, discrimination, lack of mobility, and low levels of human capital accumulation, affect women's likelihood of getting a high-quality paid job. COVID-19 has widened the historical inequalities present in the labour market.

This online event will focus on the legal, administrative, and policy and tax incentives and reforms necessary to promote a more inclusive labour market for women to have better quality jobs. African, Caribbean, and Pacific (ACP) countries need to continue and even strengthen policy and regulatory reforms that encourage greater gender equality in the jobs market, higher earnings for women, and women's labour force participation in traditionally male-dominated sectors. While Business Environment Reforms alone are not enough, they have the potential of creating an enabling environment to promote women's economic empowerment through more and better-quality jobs for women. Register today for a rich discussion of these critical issues.

30 September 2021
4 - 5:30 pm (CEST)

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AGENDA

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| <p>1. Introduction</p> | <p><i>Karl Belizaire, Senior Consultant, Global Social Enterprise Team, British Council</i></p> |
| <p>2. Welcome Address</p> | <p><i>Escipión Oliveira, Assistant Secretary-General, Organisation of African Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS)</i>
<i>Miguel Campo-Llopis, Policy Officer, DG INTPA / European Commission</i></p> |
| <p>3. Key takeaways from 'Business Environment Reforms to Promote Equal Opportunities for Women in the Labour Market: Evidence from ACP countries'</p> | <p><i>Susana Martinez-Restrepo Ph.D., Senior International Expert (Gender and Development)</i></p> |
| <p>4. Comments and Reactions</p> | <p><i>Richard Ssewakiryanga, Senior Research Fellow and Adviser for Policy Research and Strategic Partnership, Center for Basic Research</i>
<i>Sally Kahiu, Head of Corporate Communications and Marketing, Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM); the Lead Coordinator for the Women In Manufacturing (WIM) Programme</i>
<i>Virginia Rose-Losada, Global Coordinator, Women's Entrepreneurship Development, International Labour Organisation</i></p> |
| <p>5. Q&A session</p> | |
| <p>6. Support of the ICR Facility</p> | <p><i>Karl Belizaire, Senior Consultant Global Social Enterprise Team British Council</i></p> |

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