



United Nations Entity for Gender Equality
and the Empowerment of Women



UN System Coordination Division

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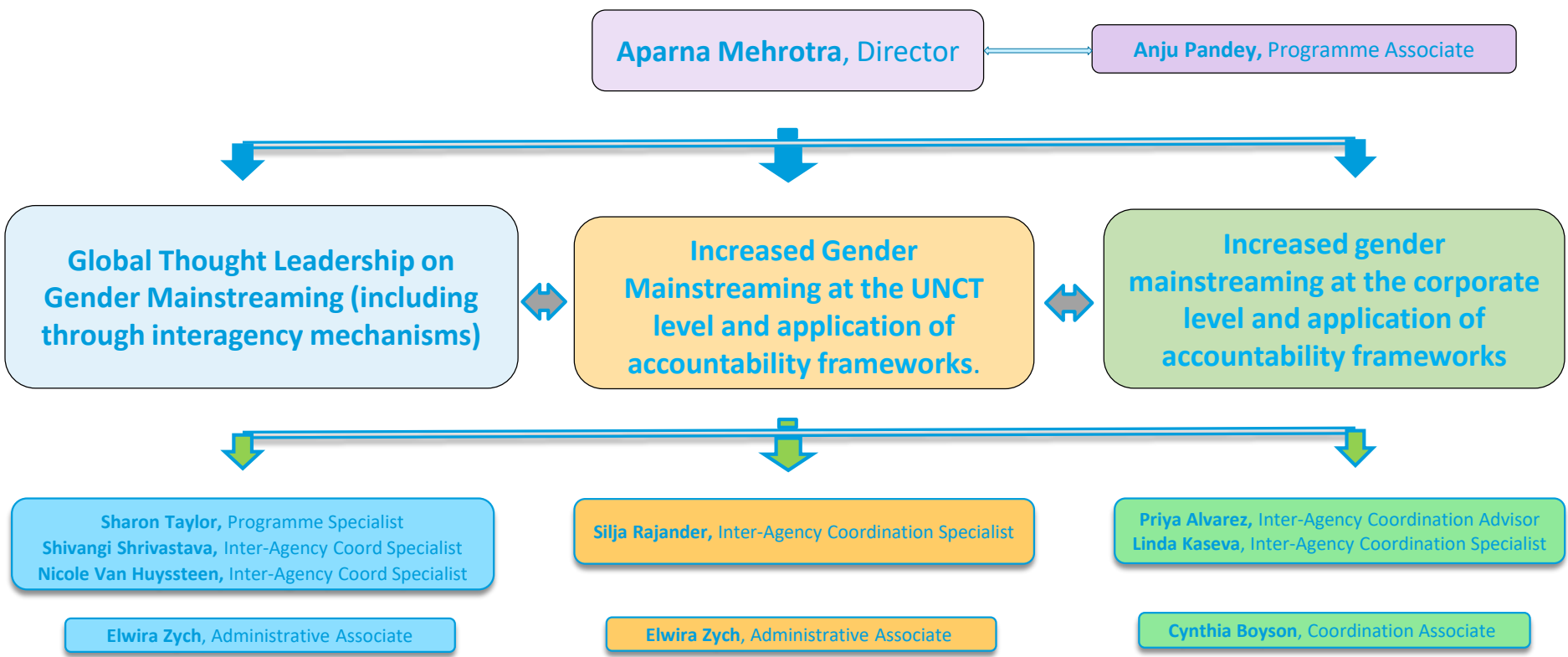
A/RES/64/289 General Assembly Resolution on System-wide coherence (2 July 2010)

53. ...Further decides that the mandate and function of the Entity shall consist of the consolidated mandates and functions of the OSAGI, DAW, UNIFEM, INSTRAW, **with the additional role of leading, coordinating and promoting the accountability of the United Nations system in its work on gender equality and the empowerment of women, and that any new mandates shall be subject to approval by intergovernmental process;**
52. ...the establishment of the Entity and the conduct of its work should lead to **more effective coordination, coherence and gender mainstreaming** across the United Nations system;
58. ...**support of gender mainstreaming** across the United Nations system will be an integral part of the work of the Entity;

Overview of UN System Coordination Division Functions, UN Women

The UN Coordination Division services the UN Women mandate to lead, promote, and coordinate the accountability of the UN system in its work on gender equality and the empowerment of women.

Objective: Enhanced coordination, coherence and accountability of the UN system for commitments to gender equality and women's empowerment



Global Thought Leadership on Gender Mainstreaming (including through interagency mechanisms)



Capacity building on gender mainstreaming

- Facilitate expert meetings, workshops and technical consultations to build the capacity of representatives of Governments, the UN system, technical experts and civil society on gender mainstreaming in a range of thematic and/or sector-specific issues that include gender mainstreaming and intersectionality; water and sanitation; climate change; biodiversity, desertification and social protection.

Knowledge generation and management

- Lead the development of issue briefs, research papers and reports on gender mainstreaming in a specific thematic and/or sector-specific issue. Forthcoming include:
- Gender Mainstreaming Implementation Guide (2020)
- Gender mainstreaming in National Voluntary Reviews (2020)
- IANWGE Beijing+25 Synthesis Report (2020) and data compendium (2020)

Interagency Coordination for gender mainstreaming

- Lead and guide a Network of gender focal points representing 60 UN entities, including UN Secretariat Departments and Offices to promote and support gender mainstreaming and gender equality issues, including through development of tools and methodologies for system-wide use and by Governments.
- Guide Thematic Working Groups of the Network to ensure that gender equality considerations are addressed and/or strengthened in existing and emerging issues of interest in the UN (climate change; innovation and technology, artificial intelligence).

Increased gender mainstreaming at the UNCT level and application of accountability frameworks



Technical support and guidance provided to support implementation of UNCT accountability frameworks and galvanize action on gender mainstreaming

- Trainings and technical advisory support to UNCTs on the implementation of the gender mainstreaming accountability tools (UNCT SWAP Gender Equality Scorecard and the UNCT Gender Equality Marker)
- Advisory support to “hardwiring” above guidance and frameworks into UNSDG guidance for UNCTs, and related capacity development support

Knowledge management and communications

UNCT Gender Mainstreaming

- Lead the development of UNSDG knowledge resources in support of country level gender mainstreaming efforts (Resource Book on Gender Mainstreaming, Guidance to UN Gender Theme Groups)
- Lead internal Community of Practice on UN coordination for Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and Girls
- Lead the development of the UNCT chapter of the SG report on Gender Mainstreaming

UN Reform

- Coordinate and support UN Women’s engagement in and reporting on UN repositioning (A/RES/72/279 and QCPR)

Capacity development and coordination support to gender responsive disability inclusion

- Provide technical advisory support and capacity building to mainstream gender into joint UN work on disability inclusion, including to development of accountability frameworks
- Support UN Women’s Disability Inclusion Task Team

Increased gender mainstreaming at the corporate level and application of accountability frameworks



Capacity building, guidance and technical assistance to advance gender mainstreaming in the UN system

- Lead implementation of second-generation UN-SWAP with a focus on UN collective **results** on GEWE
- Provide advisory & technical support to institutional-stakeholders, including on gender policy development
- Convene inter-agency workshops, including annual

Knowledge management (and communications)

- Strengthen transparency, results-sharing & knowledge products
- Collect and analyze system-wide data, including narrative from UN-SWAP reporting on results
- Ensure integration of UN-SWAP language in parliamentary documentation

Monitoring & Reporting on Accountability for GEEW at the UN system entity level

- Prepare annual S-G report on gender mainstreaming to ECOSOC
- Support the mainstreaming of gender equality in other system-wide accountability frameworks

Engaging in Coordination Mechanisms

- Strengthen UN-SWAP network and engagement with multiple UN Business Owners' networks
- Strengthen implementation of recommendations from S-G HLTF on Financing for Gender Equality, including on UN Gender Architecture

To know more:

[https://www.unwomen.org/en/how-we-work/
un-system-coordination](https://www.unwomen.org/en/how-we-work/un-system-coordination)

Thank you!

