

## Germany

In reference to your letter dated May 20, below are links and information for the report on “Women in Development”.

- Das Grundsatzpapier: Gender Equality in German Development Policy:  
[http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/type\\_of\\_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier340\\_02\\_20\\_14.pdf](http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/type_of_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier340_02_20_14.pdf)
- Der Gender Aktionsplan: Development Policy Action Plan on Gender Equality 2016-2020 (GAP II):  
[http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/type\\_of\\_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier363a\\_03\\_2016.pdf](http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/type_of_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier363a_03_2016.pdf)
- Das 5-Punkte-Papier: Stopping Violence Against Women – BMZ Five-point-plan:  
[http://www.bmz.de/en/zentrales\\_downloadarchiv/themen\\_und\\_schwerpunkte/menschenrechte/Stopping\\_violence\\_against\\_women\\_BMZ\\_five-point-plan.pdf](http://www.bmz.de/en/zentrales_downloadarchiv/themen_und_schwerpunkte/menschenrechte/Stopping_violence_against_women_BMZ_five-point-plan.pdf)
- FGM Strategiepapier: Female Genital Mutilation – The contribution made by German development policy towards ending this violation of the human rights of girls and women:  
[http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/type\\_of\\_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier350\\_02\\_20\\_15.pdf](http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/type_of_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier350_02_20_15.pdf)
- Strategiepapier Menschenrechte: Human Rights in German Development Policy:  
[http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/archiv/type\\_of\\_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier305\\_04\\_2011.pdf](http://www.bmz.de/en/publications/archiv/type_of_publication/strategies/Strategiepapier305_04_2011.pdf)
  
- The implementation of the Women in Development resolution remains a **strategic priority** for the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). **Gender equality is an explicit goal, a principle and a quality criterion** that runs throughout German development cooperation. To this end, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) has made a commitment to follow a human rights based approach: To support stand alone programmes for gender equality, to mainstream gender through all our programmes and to raise issues of gender equality in bilateral policy dialogues with our partner countries.
- With its 2014 [cross-sectoral strategy on Gender Equality in German Development Policy](#), BMZ established a **three-pronged-approach to the promotion of gender equality and women’s empowerment consisting of gender mainstreaming throughout our programmes, support for standalone programmes for gender equality and raising gender issues in bilateral policy dialogue with our partners**. [The Development Policy Action Plan on Gender Equality 2016- 2020 \(GAP II\)](#) lays down concrete steps for implementing the gender equality strategy and the three-pronged approach. Annual road maps guide the implementation of GAP II. Thematic areas and strategic goals are selected each year and measures for implementation are presented.
- The annual Road Maps consist of numerous measures in nine thematic areas that serve as examples on how BMZ implements the resolution Women in Development. The [Road Map 2018](#) consists of more than 150 measures.
- Furthermore, BMZ presented a new [five-point plan “Ending violence against women”](#) in November 2017. The plan highlights the central role of prevention and

emphasized the need of providing support to victims and bringing perpetrators to justice.

- BMZ also supports gender equality on the multilateral level. For example, we are the **largest donor in the Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative (We-Fi)**, a multi-donor fund based at the World Bank. We-Fi aims at supporting women entrepreneurs worldwide in starting and growing their businesses.