New partnership between ESCAP and Data2x: Promoting the gender dimension in national and regional CRVS efforts

Secretary Hillary Clinton and Mayor Michael Bloomberg, representing Data2X, an international initiative to close gender gaps, announce their partnership with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), in May 2012 in New York.

The partnership will ensure that regional efforts to improve civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) systems during the “Asian and Pacific CRVS Decade (2015-2024)” contribute to gender equality by giving particular attention to the challenges faced by women and girls in getting a legal identity and being included in official statistics.

The ESCAP-Data2x partnership will mainstream the gender dimension in national and regional CRVS plans as part of the “Get Every One in the Picture” initiative. Together, the partners will advocate for the importance of CRVS and promote gender equality, address gender constraints and opportunities as well as encourage mainstreaming and diverse applications of CRVS into national CRVS improvement plans and the important role it can play in addressing gender issues. Together, the partners will advocate for the importance of CRVS and promote gender equality, address gender constraints and opportunities as well as encourage mainstreaming and diverse applications of CRVS into national CRVS improvement plans and the important role it can play in addressing gender issues.

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