

## Share Your Expertise: The Social Institutions and Gender Index (SIGI) is seeking legal and gender specialists to participate in its pro bono and global research project on gender equality.



### How to become a legal expert during the updating process of the SIGI legal data?

- ✓ Join our global network of experts by contacting Ms. Alejandra Meneses until **19 November 2021**, in charge of the SIGI validation process at: [dev.gender@oecd.org](mailto:dev.gender@oecd.org) mentioning your profession, LinkedIn account/website and country of expertise.
- ✓ Please note that this is a **pro-bono** (non-remunerated) assignment
- ✓ Your valuable contribution will also be acknowledged on our dedicated SIGI page on the OECD website as well as all in OECD publications citing the relevant questionnaire.

[The Social Institutions and Gender Index \(SIGI\)](#) is an OECD Development Centre tool that measures discrimination against women and girls in social institutions. Discriminatory social institutions (formal and informal laws, social norms, and practices) intersect across all stages of girls' and women's life, restricting their access to justice, rights and empowerment opportunities and undermining their agency and decision-making authority over their life choices. Through its country profiles, country classifications and unique database, the SIGI provides a strong evidence base to more effectively address the discriminatory social institutions that hold back progress on gender equality and women's empowerment.

To ensure the validity of the updated legal data included in the upcoming SIGI 2023, the OECD Development Centre relies on pro bono contributions from lawyers, judges, academics, and civil society organizations across the globe to update and fill out a short online questionnaire. The data collection process will take place from **January to June 2022**.

### Who can become a legal expert during the updating process of the SIGI 2023?

- ✓ Lawyers with expertise in property law, family law, workplace discrimination and/or violence against women
- ✓ Judges with expertise in property law, family law, workplace discrimination and/or violence against women
- ✓ Academics specialised in women's rights
- ✓ Representatives from civil society organisations working on improving gender equality

Legal experts to the OECD Development Centre will ensure that our data remains robust and of high quality and helps improve gender equality worldwide. The data collected will inform research and policy discussions on laws and regulations affecting gender equality and women's rights. Becoming a legal expert requires a limited time commitment of checking legal data in surveys on key areas of family law, property law, workplace discrimination and violence against women in national legislation.