

Foreword

This report offers policy advice to Greece on building interlinkages between its national environmental policies, and gender equality policies, under the gender-environment nexus. It builds on a related report, *Gender and the Environment: Building Evidence and Policies to Achieve the SDGs* (2021), which explored the links between gender equality and environmental sustainability in the context of Agenda 2030, applying an integrated policy framework taking into account both inclusive growth and environmental considerations.

An integrated approach to gender equality and environmental sustainability could help to improve women's economic empowerment and enhance women's roles in environmental sustainability and green growth. Likewise, enhancing gender equality and women's economic empowerment and decision-making can lead to better environmental and climate outcomes and policies. Taking into account the specific needs, preferences and well-being of women, as well as their position due to intersectional factors related to environmental and climate policies, helps to identify the trade-offs and complementarities between gender equality and environmental goals. Gender mainstreaming in environmental policies could also lead to transformative actions supporting women's economic empowerment.

This report assesses environmental and climate policies through a gender lens, and gender equality policies through an environmental lens. It focuses on policies and measures that could support women's economic empowerment in environment-related sectors; women's environmental leadership and decision making; and mainstreaming gender equality and environmental sustainability in policy tools. It proposes a series of recommendations that, if taken on board, could support integrating the gender-environment nexus into Greece's national policies.

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