



Innovation for inclusion

Innovative Practices for promoting and supporting inclusion and equality

SAI Uganda's experiences

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How has OAG - Uganda innovated to contribute to inclusion and equality?

Uganda's National Audit Act, 2008 provides for gender audits



At least one gender and SDG audit every

Capacity building for staff to conduct gender/inclusion audits

- Employing specialists
- Training staff in gender audits (ILO, ESAMI, Universities, etc.)
- Hands-on training through conducting audits, with expert support

Conducting of audits covering gender equality and inclusion

Gender equality and inclusion in OAG-U audits

Gender equality/ mainstreaming audits

- Government of Uganda's efforts to achieve gender equality (extent to which government complied with policies, legislation and international commitments on gender)
- Gender mainstreaming in the water sub sector;
- Gender mainstreaming in Wakiso DLG (PGA methodology);
- Mainstreaming Gender and Equity in formulation of the National budget;
- Elimination of Intimate Partner violence against women and girls.

Audits on inclusion

- Provision of education services to special needs learners in Uganda (ongoing)
- Perfomance of the Social Assistance grant for the Elderly (SAGE)
- Assessment of Uganda women's empowernment programme

What are the challenges we face?

Cultural diversities within audited areas

- Definition
- Scope

Non prioritization of gender equality and inclusion in the face of competing priorities.

- Failure to mainstream
- Tokenism/ lip service

What are the benefits?

Opportunities for knowledge sharing and learning

Raising the SAI profile

How do we plan to sustain this innovation?

Continuous audits in the area of gender equality and inclusion

Capacity building

Partnerships

- IDI
- Afrosai-E
- Experts (UN agencies, academia, etc)

Getting parliament to discuss our gender audit reports

How can SAIs and stakeholders work together for auditing for equality and inclusion?

Identification of audit focus areas (stakeholder engagements)

Dissemination of audit results

Sharing experiences and expertise with audit teams

Financing of audits and capacity building

Joint/ cooperative/ collaborative audits

