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TABLE 1. UFGE GRANT LIST

ACTIVITY	COUNTRY	FUNDING GRANTED (US\$)	DESCRIPTION
Africa			
Regional Report on Gender and Agriculture: Levelling the Field	Regional	300,000	Regional report using nationally representative micro-econometric evidence from several African countries to uncover the factors that drive productivity gaps between male and female farmers.
Regional Report on Gender and Entrepreneurship	Regional	200,000	
Gender-informed mobile phone surveys in Africa	Regional	1,000,000	Collection of high-frequency welfare statistics surveys using mobile phones. This will yield a large amount of gender-disaggregated panel data on standard household information.
Strategic UFGE Allocation: Economic Empowerment of Adolescent Girls and Young Women (Round 3)	Liberia	1,906,325	Evaluation of skills (life and technical) provision for improved employment and entrepreneurship outcomes for adolescent girls and young women.
Strategic UFGE Allocation: Africa Gender Innovation Lab	Regional	21,417,345	The Lab designs, launches, and oversees impact evaluations of new interventions to generate knowledge on which policies work (or not) for closing gender gaps in the economic sectors (see Table 6 for a full list of its UFGE-supported impact evaluations)
East Asia and the Pacific			
Informal Trade Facilitation in the Mekong Subregion	Cambodia, Peoples Republic of Lao	80,000	The activity investigates informal trade facilitation in the Mekong region by exploring whether border and customs reforms benefit female entrepreneurs engaged in cross-border arbitrage trade in terms of reduction in harassment, corruption, and other challenges they face.
Effect on female knowledge and empowerment of a maternal and child health & nutrition cash transfer pilot	Cambodia	100,000	Evaluation of a pilot providing a monthly cash stipend to promote investment in health and nutrition services. Additional cash bonuses are contingent on attending nutritional literacy workshops, use of services during pregnancy, delivery, and the first two years of the child's life.
Meeting Needs for Long-Term Care and Implications for Female Labor Supply – Evidence from Anhui Province in China	China	200,000	This activity will support analytical and operational work examining households' arrangements for the provision of care to the elderly and the labor supply of working-age women, by collecting matching data on households with needs for elder care and on public and private elder care service providers in Anhui Province in China.
Piloting Women's Participatory Rural Land Registration	China	80,000	Analysis of issues related to women's access to and control over land (e.g. inheritance, marriage/divorce). Documenting the implementation of a participatory pilot for land registration in China.
Gender Impacts of Intelligent Transport System	China	98,000	Evaluation of whether and how intelligent transport systems (e.g. travel info systems, CCTV monitoring, bus dispatching systems) benefit women. The grant will result in technical guidelines on how to better incorporate gender into ITS.
Gender-Dimensions of Collective Forest Tenure Reform	China	100,000	Expansion of an annual survey on forest tenure among 3,500 households in seven provinces, to better understand women's access to and de facto control over forestland and their participation in decision making. In-depth case studies and interviews will complement the survey.
Female Labor Force Participation and Care	China, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam	140,000	Analytical work to better understand the labor force behavior of women 45 and over, including vulnerability in the absence of old age support,

			and the labor supply of working-age women taking into consideration eldercare.
Gender Dimensions of Urbanization	China, Vietnam	100,000	Uncovering the gendered challenges of land conversion and urbanization in Vietnam. Exploring the social and economic impacts of urbanization on women in China and Vietnam
Improving Maternal Health	Indonesia	50,000	Understanding the supply-side of maternal health services by expanding a health facility census to include private facilities, where a significant proportion of maternal health services are utilized, and conduct qualitative analyses on constraints to improving service readiness for maternal health services.
Pacific Gender Indicators in Fisheries	Kiribati, Rep. of Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu	75,000	Value chain analysis of the Solomon Islands fisheries sector through literature review and primary qualitative data collection to get an overview of women's involvement in the sector as well as key areas of opportunities for women's involvement.
Generating Evidence on Supply-Side Capacity to Inform the National Free Maternal and Child Health Policy	Lao, People's Republic of	60,000	The grant aims to inform the scale-up of the national free maternal and child health (MCH) policy, by answering “what it would take” to adequately bolster the supply-side and to increase demand for these health services in a gender-sensitive manner, to attain the objective of reducing maternal mortality.
Constraints Underlying Gender Disparities in Mongolia’s Labor Market: Launch of a Piloted Qualitative Tool	Mongolia	130,000	Launch of a qualitative tool to identify underlying constraints to gender parity in the labor market and to evaluate how effective labor market intermediation services and active labor market policies are in addressing these constraints. Collect data and conduct analyses that will directly influence policy and project design in Mongolia.
Stopping gender-based violence by engaging with men	Mongolia	86,000	The grant aims to understand the underlying issues that lead Mongolian men and boys to adopt detrimental behaviors (e.g., GBV, alcoholism, school dropout), and pilot Men-Care approaches through media and “men support groups.”
Gender Based violence in Urban Papua New Guinea: Improving Knowledge, evaluation and interventions	Papua New Guinea	175,000	The project will fill gaps in knowledge about existing pathways of resort for women survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) and the effectiveness of urban settlement authorities responsible for GBV; evaluate current and proposed government, civil society and donor supported GBV programs; and inform strategic investments for community safety and GBV in Papua New Guinea
Regional Fund for In-Country Capacity Building and M&E	Regional	450,000	Strengthening in-country capacity to implement and measure strategic and innovative gender work and policy, as well as to strengthen regional stakeholders' understanding of key gender issues.
Analyzing Forced Displacement through a Gender Lens	Regional	40,000	Analyze forced displacement and large-scale displacement from conflict, natural disasters and climate change in East Asia and the Pacific (EAP) through a gender lens, and draw lessons for application and dissemination in EAP and globally
“Hem No Leit Tumas”: Evidence for Improved Outcomes in Women’s Literacy Programs	Solomon Islands	65,000	Develop a compendium of financial literacy providers/programs with good practice examples, lessons, M&E systems, and evidence of outcomes. With the Literacy Network, agree on features of good practice and a replicable monitoring framework.
Situation Assessment for Men and Youth in Conflict-Affected Areas	Thailand	70,000	Understanding the socio-economic profile, needs and aspirations of men in conflict zones and how to support male confidence, decision-making and empowerment in these situations. The work will identify measures to ensure affected men are systematically included in relevant programs.
Making Resettlement Gender Informed: Handling the Intersections Between Practitioners, Policy Makers and Development Partners	Vietnam	195,000	Creation of a knowledge platform on gender-informed resettlement in development projects with three focus areas: experience in mainstreaming gender in resettlement activities in large infrastructure projects; dynamics of gender roles in household decision making; and technical guidance.

Europe and Central Asia

Land and Leadership	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia	120,000	Innovative leadership training for local land reform teams in the region on how to address gender inequality in land rights, along with a one-year follow up on developed action plans to improve ongoing land administration programs.
Land and Gender: Improving Data Availability and Use	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia	40,000	Increase the capacity to use gender disaggregated data to raise awareness of the benefits of improved gender equality in immovable property ownership and inform policy dialogue.
Gender Evaluation of Child Related Benefits	Armenia	20,000	Measurement of the impact of the recently introduced child birth allowance program on fertility rates of eligible women, sex-ratio imbalance at birth, work (dis)incentives, and social assistance dependence.
A Profiling of Employment Services Beneficiaries with a Focus on Female Workers	Armenia & Turkey	35,000	Improving targeting and design of active labor market programs for women.
Can Communication Campaigns Change Son Preference and Raise Value of Daughters? Evidence from a Pilot in Georgia	Georgia	150,000	Analysis on the prevailing attitudes related to son-preference, perceived value of daughters and sex selection in Georgia. Measurement of if and how the prevailing attitudes can be influenced by a communication campaign, including an assessment of the impact of such campaigns on sex ratios at birth.
New Technology to Secure Rural Women's Property Rights and Livelihood	Kosovo	150,000	Develop a methodology to use new technology to record the property rights of rural women in Kosovo. Further develop a low cost solution to use customizable open source software to produce maps and to record property rights with strong community engagement.
Changing Gender Norms in Central Asia: An initial investigation in Kyrgyz Republic	Kyrgyz Republic	80,000	Better understanding of changing gender norms and constraints to gender parity in the Kyrgyz Republic to inform Bank operations on how to enhance gender equality and citizen engagement
Beyond women in STEM fields: Gender differences in field of study and the labor market in ECA countries	Regional	150,000	Examination of women's participation in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) fields of study and sectors of employment in Europe and Central Asia, including causes of gender gaps and effective interventions to address them.
ECAGEN database	Regional	130,000	A new database module will provide convenient access to gender-relevant data extracted from household level data used for regional poverty monitoring in the extensive ECAPOV database.
Gender Aging and Care Issues in ECA	Regional	85,000	Research on the interactions between female labor force participation and different models for care demands (child- and eldercare), including the role of social norms. The grant also looks at the drivers of excess adult male mortality in the region.
Gender Employability and Soft Skills	Regional	80,000	The grant contributes to the understanding of the role of behavioral skills and conscious or unconscious labor market discrimination in ECA. Various experiments aim to reveal hidden gender-based hiring biases among employers.
Gender Informed Road Safety Strategies	Regional	220,000	Addressing excess adult male mortality by advancing gender sensitive approaches to road safety. The work seeks to understand the gender dimensions of the causes and consequences of road traffic accidents through a global road safety and gender review, and piloting gender sensitive road safety actions.
Gender Sensitivity in Energy Investments	Regional	200,000	Cross-sectoral collaboration to understand how proposed energy reforms and increasing energy tariffs in the region could differentially affect men and women, and how investments can be designed to ensure gender equity in project benefits.
Jobs and Shared Prosperity	Regional	100,000	A mixed-methods approach exploring the links between jobs and shared prosperity and how to improve economic opportunities and make labor markets more inclusive for both men and women in ECA.
Missing Girls in the South Caucasus	Regional	140,000	Research uncovering the causes and consequences of skewed birth ratios and sex selection in the South Caucasus.

Life in Transition Survey III	Regional	220,000	Inclusion of new module on gender and assets and improved quality of sampling to better capture female respondents and intra-household dynamics in the third round of the EBRD and World Bank Life in Transition Survey.
Gender Innovation in Finance	Russia	200,000	Enhancing access to finance for women entrepreneurs in Russia.
Access to Justice for Poor Women and Men	Serbia	50,000	Collection of new evidence from users of the justice system to help inform engagement with the justice sector.
Roma Adolescents - Qualitative Research	Serbia	25,000	The objective of the proposed activity is to understand what projects and activities can promote the social and economic integration of adolescent Roma boys.
Assessment of barriers for formal labor market participation and entrepreneurial activity for rural women in Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan	150,000	A study of the main barriers and enabling factors for rural women in Uzbekistan to enter formal labor market, secure assets, and access financial and labor services, to inform World Bank operations aiming to create livelihood opportunities for rural women.
Strategic UFGE Allocation: Increasing access of women to economic opportunities	Turkey	4,240,148	Multi-sectoral work on women's economic opportunities by looking barriers to employment such as childcare supply and other work-life policies. The grant will also pilot women's cooperatives to help increase female labor force.
Strategic UFGE Allocation: Promoting Gender Equality in the Western Balkans	Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia, Serbia	2,085,850	Analytical work on care services, the degree of labor market inequality and its associated productivity losses, mapping the potential skills mismatch in Serbia, and barriers to mobility in Bosnia. Innovative leadership training will also be delivered to officials to improve labor reform.
Latin America and the Caribbean			
Understanding Agency by Measuring Women's Perception on Exclusion and Discrimination	Bolivia	120,000	Perception survey on violence against women, workplace discrimination and exclusion, with a focus on indigenous groups.
Expanding Women's Agency through Productive Inclusion in Rural Areas	Brazil	110,000	Analytical work to better understand gender roles and rural women's agency within key productive clusters, and piloting interventions to enhance and better measure their agency.
Urban Mass Transport: Gender Agency and Inclusion	Brazil	150,000	Piloting the use of existing urban mass transport systems to increase access for women to specialized legal and social services through electronic information kiosks and campaigns.
Text Me Maybe! On Peer-to-Peer Sexual Education and Mobile Texting to Reduce the Risk of Teenage Pregnancy	Ecuador	65,000	Evaluation of school-based peer-to-peer education combined with text message reminders to reduce teen pregnancy. Findings aim to increase knowledge on how aspirations, empowerment, and gender norms affect agency.
Expanding Labor Market Opportunities of Women	El Salvador	60,000	An evaluation of whether income support and training programs can be potent tools for enhancing women's agency for better economic outcomes. The work will also provide lessons on how to best measure agency.
Migration and the Changing Role of Women in Agriculture: The Case from Latin America and the Caribbean	Guatemala	114,000	Research on the impact of male outmigration on women left in charge of the farm in terms of productivity, decision-making, and constraints, taking into account the role of remittances.
Testing Evidence-Based Approaches to Foster Collective Action in Addressing Intimate Partner Violence	Guatemala, Honduras	110,000	Adapt, test, and monitor progress of a community-based program that fosters collective action to prevent intimate partner violence.
Piloting the Delivery of Agency in Haiti	Haiti	130,000	Testing provision of skills training (including non-traditional technical ones) for improved employment and entrepreneurship outcomes for young women.
Regional Knowledge Management	Regional	600,000	Expand and share operationally relevant knowledge aimed to improve gender equality in the region. Activities include regional knowledge contests targeting government agencies, civil society, and academia, as well as dissemination around agency related topics.
Advancing Gender Agency in LAC: Experiences from the Transport Sector	Regional	150,000	Expand data and evidence on impacts of transportation projects on women's agency, as well as analyzing the replicable and scalable nature of those activities.

Developing a Model for Gender-Sensitive Post-Disaster Response and Gender-Inclusive Climate Adaptation Finance (Saint Lucia, Organization of Eastern Caribbean States, and Small Island Developing States)	St. Lucia	90,000	Promoting awareness, designing a financing scheme, and developing disaster risk management products that promote greater agency and climate resilience along gender lines.
Strategic UFGE Allocation: Adolescent Girls Initiative	Haiti	600,000	Testing provision of skills training (including non-traditional technical ones) for improved employment and entrepreneurship outcomes for young women.
Middle East and North Africa			
Impact Evaluation of Civil Legal Aid for Women	Jordan	200,000	Understanding of the impact of legal aid services in civil matters for poor women to support evaluation of different service delivery models and provide data to promote discussions on the value of legal aid versus.
Evaluation of the Strengthening Micro-Entrepreneurship for Disadvantaged Youth Project	Morocco	181,200	Evaluating the impact of the Strengthening Micro-Entrepreneurship for Disadvantaged Youth Project in Morocco.
Morocco Urban Transport Program Gender Survey	Morocco	200,000	Household survey in three urban agglomerations to help strengthen social and economic inclusion of women by providing urban planners and policymakers with an evidence base to create smarter and more user-friendly transport systems.
Study on the Impacts of the Syrian Refugee Crisis	Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq	350,000	Qualitative fieldwork to assess the gender-specific risks and outcomes of the Syrian refugee crisis on host communities in Jordan, Lebanon and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI).
Enterprise Revitalization and Employment Pilot	Yemen	150,000	To aid in the impact evaluation of an internship program for youth in Yemen.
South Asia			
Youth, Gender, and ICT Program	Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan	200,000	Piloting ICT skills for employment and entrepreneurship among young women, and developing apps for supporting gender-based violence victims and increasing accountability and information around public services (e.g. health).
Deepening the Analytical Foundation for Operations	India	150,000	The activity will use international evidence at the country level in non-traditional sectors and generate new evidence as needed for these sectors.
Gender Innovation Lab South Asia	Regional	380,000	Identify interventions that address the underlying causes of female and male disadvantages given a country's context. The Lab will build the evidence base and inform Bank operations and public policy. It will perform strategic analytical work on gender and enhance the monitoring and evaluation of gender interventions by testing gender-specific interventions in World Bank programs, or as stand-alone activities in the areas of access to infrastructure services, voice and agency, and gender-based violence.
Addressing Gender-Based Violence in South Asia	Regional	870,000	Support development of a comprehensive gender-based violence program in the region by increasing availability of data and evidence, engaging donors, government partners, civil society and other groups to increase effectiveness of GBV programs, and learn from innovative programs.

TABLE 2. AFRICA GENDER INNOVATION LAB SUPPORTED IMPACT EVALUATIONS^a

ACTIVITY	COUNTRY	DESCRIPTION
Africa Gender Innovation Lab		
Impact evaluation of World Bank Youth Skills Training Project	Benin	Evaluation of a youth skills development intervention with the goal of identifying effective policy responses.
Impact evaluation of CARE Village Savings and Loan Associations and Couples Training	Burundi	Evaluation of a Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLAs) program primarily targeted to women with two gender-transformative interventions: a couples training program and a public awareness program.
Great Lakes Emergency Sexual and Gender based Violence and Women's Health	Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda	Impact evaluation to understand how to respond most effectively to survivors of SGBV and how to contribute to violence prevention by transforming norms and behaviors regarding SGBV and gender equality.
Impact evaluation of the Youth Business Training project in Republic of Congo	Congo, Republic of	Evaluation of skills training, job insertion and entrepreneurship support for vulnerable youth and micro-entrepreneurs.
Impact evaluation of the Growth Poles project	Congo, Democratic Republic of	The impact evaluation will study the combined impact of roads rehabilitation and agricultural extension services on income and wealth, employment, agricultural outcomes such as productivity and access to markets, agency and empowerment of female farmers, women's time use.
Impact evaluation of World Bank Agricultural Support Project	Cote d'Ivoire	Evaluation of the effects of child care provision on female formal sector employment and income (agro-processing employment).
Impact evaluation of USAID Women's Agricultural Leaders Network	Ethiopia	Evaluation of a mentorship program aiming to help address important challenges that women face in the areas of entrepreneurship and small business in the agri-business sector in Ethiopia.
Competitiveness and Job Creation	Ethiopia	The impact evaluation examines the impact of access to jobs in the industrial zone on employee welfare, and will conduct ancillary research on priority issues including employee performance and retention, and impacts of wage subsidies.
Making Cash Grants Work for Female Entrepreneurs	Ghana	Identify innovative ways of disbursing cash grants so as to maximize their impact on the profits and growth of female-owned businesses. More specifically, test the relative effectiveness of providing (i) unconditional cash grants; (ii) grants conditional on first reaching a pre-defined savings goal; and (iii) grants conditional on both the beneficiary and her partner attending a training on allocation of resources within the household.
Gender, Insurance and Agricultural Productivity	Ghana	Assess the effects of regular extension services on output of women farmers as part of a larger effort in providing community based extension services, integrating a gender dimension into a project that was previously focused only on men, and testing the effects of counterpart funding of drought index insurance support to women and its' influence on household allocation of resources including land.
Impact evaluation of the Household Joint Accounts and Survivor Ownership Rights project	Kenya	This impact evaluation project will collaborate with a for-profit financial institution to encourage male individual account holders to take up a new form of joint account, wherein the co-owner has limited rights until the death of the primary owner, but has immediate unrestricted access to the account in the event of the primary owner's passing.

The Impacts of Microfranchising on Young Women in Nairobi	Kenya	A first ever impact evaluation of a randomized microfranchising intervention expected to make a valuable contribution to the literature on the overall impacts of expanding credit access and providing capital to entrepreneurs in low-income countries.
Impact evaluation of the International Rescue Committee (IRC) Sisters of Success project	Liberia	Evaluation of whether being part of a mentorship program during early adolescence (ages 12-15) improves outcomes for girls in Liberia's capital city, Monrovia.
Impact evaluation of USAID Growing Income and Rural Markets for Agriculture project	Nigeria	This project targets vulnerable households in northern Nigeria, particularly female members, by providing financial products and in-kind asset transfers to assist them in moving away from subsistence agriculture and into the market.
Impact evaluation of the BRAC Empowerment and Livelihoods for Adolescent Girls project	Sierra Leone	This initiative seeks adolescent girls' social and economic empowerment by providing adolescent development centers (ELA clubs), life skills training, livelihood training, and credit support to start income-generating activities.
Youth Job Assistance	South Africa	Assess the effectiveness of an innovative intervention aimed to address gender disparities in the labor market outcomes of young new entrants. The intervention is expected to have important impacts for young new work-seekers, who lack job experience and references from prior employment.
Skill Certification & Counseling	South Africa	Evaluation of the effectiveness of a skill certification and job-search counseling program addressing gender disparities in the labor market outcomes of unemployed young adults. Work-seekers will be offered a certificate of aptitude, a letter of recommendation template, and advice on how to prepare and submit job applications. The certification and counseling interventions are potentially more valuable for women, as they have more limited job networks, and thus find more challenging to directly signal their skills to prospective employers in a credible and relevant manner.
Evaluation of USAID Feed the Future	Tanzania	The NAFAKA Staples Value Chain Activity is a \$30 million project funded by USAID under the Tanzania Feed the Future (FTF) Initiative. NAFAKA's goal is to sustainably reduce poverty and food insecurity by increasing agricultural production and incomes for smallholder farmers. GIL is primarily focusing on the agricultural extension and private-sector-led out-grower components of NAFAKA.
Impact evaluation of the Land Registration and Matching Grants project	Uganda	A randomized control trial of the program will experiment with different nudges to incentivize households to adopt the joint spousal registration of land. The study will examine the impact of including a woman's name on a land title on agricultural and household outcomes, over and above the impact of owning a land title itself.
Impact evaluation of the BRAC Orange Sweet Potato project	Uganda	This project takes an integrated approach to improving nutrition and food security for children, adolescent girls and women of childbearing age by increasing smallholders' adoption, production and consumption of a nutrient-rich staple crop.

^a In FY15, five projects were dropped due to discovery of infeasibility and new projects have been added. Previously reported on evaluations that were dropped are: Urea Deep Placement in Liberia (Liberia), World Bank Safety Nets and Skills Development (South Sudan), South Africa Sonke Gender Justice, Guinea World Bank/IFC/Stanford business formalization, and ATA Agricultural Mechanization (Ethiopia).

TABLE 3. PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT WINDOW (IFC)

ACTIVITY	COUNTRY	FUNDING GRANTED (US\$)	DESCRIPTION
Financial Inclusion of Women Ready-Made Garments Workers through Mobile Financial Services	Bangladesh	250,000	Financial inclusion of women garment workers through the adoption of mobile financial services in Bangladesh.
Enabling Women Entrepreneurship through ecommerce	India	250,000	Develop data driven insights on how to enhance women entrepreneurship and access to finance through ecommerce and develop a pilot program to narrow the gender finance and skills gap.
Gender Housing Finance Initiative -Facilitate women's access to Title, Finance and Housing	India, Panama, Egypt	250,000	Creation of a research and action framework for gender based housing finance products, implementation of pilot projects, and organization of knowledge exchange events.
Enhancing women's market access in agribusiness	Mozambique	250,000	Develop private sector focused value chain training modules that address business challenges of women farmers in Mozambique.
Gender Responsive Extractive Industries	Global	300,000	Develop a diagnostic tool for Investment Officers to better understand the dynamics of gender in extractive industries and a toolkit for extractives companies to integrate gender into their operations.
Developing Gender Data Analytics in LAC	Regional	350,000	Develop and test a gender data analytics tools for financial institutions. The project will also leverage IFC's existing data analytics work being currently done in Africa, mostly for mobile financial services.
Tackling Gender in Agribusiness: Improving Business	Multi-Region	200,000	This proposed project aims to partner with four different agribusiness private sector companies in three regions (Africa, Eastern Europe, and Latin America) to test the business case for applying existing gender analytical tools across a broad spectrum of agribusiness operations and subsectors.
Women Mobile Financial Services	Bangladesh	350,000	The project will seek to facilitate the financial inclusion of women in Bangladesh into the formal financial system through mobile financial services.