

Inclusive Data Charter monitoring form

Annual Champion progress survey – 2021

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Section 1: Progress on inclusive data priorities

No.	Question	Guidance	Champion response
1.1	What progress have you made on your Inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan priorities in the past year?	Include examples to accompany any highlights or achievements.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> As part of the Generation Equality Forum, Data2X: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed the GEF Global Acceleration plan (https://data2x.org/resource-center/gef-data-priority/), authored the gender data spotlight section of the plan, and called on all stakeholders to make meaningful and measurable gender data commitments to accelerate global gender equality (https://data2x.org/resource-center/gef-commitment-guidance/) Made our own commitment (https://data2x.org/progress-is-not-progress-if-it-leaves-people-behind-data2xs-commitment-to-gender-data-for-the-generation-equality-forum/) to

			<p>monitor and showcase all gender data commitments in support of GEF to cultivate accountability, knowledge-sharing, and solutions for advancing gender data, and launched an accompanying microsite (https://data2x.org/commit/).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Data2X published the first-ever in-depth analysis of the financing gap for gender data (https://data2x.org/resource-center/state-of-gender-data-financing-2021/):<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Putting a number to the problem, articulating what the gender data system covers, the magnitude of the funding shortfall, and what is needed from donors and countries to close the gap. These studies have been used and referenced by several organizations advocating for gender equality.● The Bern Network, a coalition of donors focused financing for development data, identified gender data financing as one of their priorities based on this work and advocacy around the topic by Data2X. The flagship product of the Bern Network is a Clearinghouse bringing together for the first time a wealth of information and advocacy material on development data financing with a special Gender Data Channel (https://smartdatafinance.org/gender) supported by Data2X.3. The US government released its historic National Strategy on Gender Equity and Equality, which includes a government-wide effort to close gender data gaps and strengthen data collection and analysis across agencies:<ul style="list-style-type: none">● This is a major achievement for gender data advocacy Data2X and partners have done over the years, and as such, the Data2X team mobilized quickly to analyze
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			<p>the Strategy, including a statement immediately following its publication (https://data2x.org/gender-data-takes-center-stage-in-historic-national-gender-strategy/), and a policy brief: Gender Data to Achieve U.S. Objectives: Evaluating the United States' National Strategy on Gender Equity and Equality (https://data2x.org/resource-center/gender-data-to-achieve-u-s-policy-objectives-evaluating-the-united-states-national-strategy-on-gender-equity-and-equality/)</p> <p>Additional highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data2X has continued to track the landscape of gender data, while also looking beyond the gaps to identifying promising solutions. Building on our pioneering work on big data and gender, we surveyed the big data space to assess recent progress, review innovative studies, and draw out six global observations and trends to guide big data & gender opportunities moving forward (https://data2x.org/resource-center/the-landscape-of-big-data-and-gender-a-data2x-update/)• We also continued our landscaping on data availability for the SDGs; Data2X published the third regional Bridging the Gap report on Asia and the Pacific (https://data2x.org/resource-center/bridging-the-gap-asia-key-findings-and-recommendations/), completing an assessment of gender data availability in 25 countries worldwide. We also began work on mapping solutions to key
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			<p>gender data barriers, releasing a first brief on practical ways to increase and use gender data to inform COVID-19 response (https://data2x.org/resource-center/solutions-for-building-resilient-gender-data-systems/).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Africa Gender Data Network, which we founded in collaboration with the UN Economic Commission for Africa, became the Gender Data Network in 2021. The secretariat was moved to PARIS21 (housed in the OECD) as the first step to expansion to new regions in 2022.● Following on our partnership with ILO to more fully and accurately measure women’s work and contributions to economies, Data2X published a case series examining the direct policy impact of this new approach to measurement (https://data2x.org/resource-center/fulfilling-the-promise-of-better-data-on-gender-and-work/). Case studies like can be used to understand and amplify exemplars of gender data use for policy.● Data2X has also built on our partnership with the Center for Global Development to launch the Women’s Economic Empowerment Measurement Learning Collaborative in May to convene WEE experts across sectors to improve the quality and relevance of WEE measurement tools and indicators and advance understanding and informed use of WEE-related measures (https://www.cgdev.org/project/womens-economic-
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1.2	What areas of your Inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan have you made the least progress on, in the past year?	Include any challenges or barriers faced.	COVID-19 has continued to be a barrier - delaying or limiting in-country activities. NSOs continue to work under significant limitations (e.g. navigating lockdowns during data collection, limited connectivity preventing shifting tasks online, etc.). While Data2X has worked to identify relevant solutions, this will continue to be a barrier to gender data--and all data--in the near-term.
1.3	Have there been any changes to your Inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan objectives in the last year?	(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details of any changes</i>	No.
1.4	Has the progress on advancing your inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan led to any changes (internally or externally) in one or more of the following areas?	<p><i>Checklist – tick all that apply:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased visibility and awareness on inclusive data ● Broader engagement and action being taken on inclusive data ● Increased capacity to collect, analyze and make use of inclusive data ● Strengthened coordination and collaboration with others to advance inclusive data objectives ● Strengthened knowledge exchange & learning ● Other (please specify) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased visibility and awareness on inclusive data (internally and externally) ● Broader engagement and action being taken on inclusive data (internally and externally) ● Strengthened coordination and collaboration with others to advance inclusive data objectives (internally and externally)

Section 2: IDC network engagement

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2.1	In the last 12 months, have you engaged in any advocacy around the IDC, like encouraging other organizations to join or speaking about the IDC at events?	(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details, including any examples</i>	Yes. Wherever possible, we amplify IDC events and activities
2.2	In the last 12 months, has being part of the IDC enabled you to collaborate with other Champions or partners to take forward your inclusive data priorities?	(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details, including any examples.</i>	No.
2.3	In the last 12 months, have you shared learning with other countries/organizations on the actions you are taking on inclusive data?	(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details, including examples.</i>	Yes. Key activities over the past year include our GEF work (described in question 1), organizing events at the World Data Forum, organizing activities for the Gender Data Network, and others.
2.4	Which of the offerings below have you found to be the most valuable to you as a member of the IDC network in the last 12 months?	<i>Checklist – tick all that apply:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Communication opportunities e.g. blogs, data stories ● Participating in external events ● Participating in knowledge exchange & learning sessions e.g. Champion calls ● Resources and materials shared through the network ● Collaborating with other Champions on shared challenges or topics of interest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Resources and materials shared through the network ● Being part of a network coming together on a common vision / goal

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Being part of a network coming together on a common vision / goal• Receiving support from the IDC Secretariat• Other/ please specify	
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