

### 3.14 Gender Responsive Budgeting in the Water Sectors

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#### Additional Resources

ACFODE, 2005. *Gender Budget Training Manual*. Kampala, Uganda.  
The following is a Gender Budget Training Manual created by ACFODE of Uganda to guide trainers who are involved in building capacities of policy makers and other stakeholders at District and Sub-county levels in Gender Budgeting. The overall objective is to ensure that Plans and Budgets at Districts and Sub-counties address the needs of disadvantaged groups, especially women.  
Available at:  
[http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-81782-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-81782-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

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Available at:  
[http://www.idrc.ca/uploads/user-S/11141152661CEDAW\\_Southern\\_Africa\\_Brochure.pdf](http://www.idrc.ca/uploads/user-S/11141152661CEDAW_Southern_Africa_Brochure.pdf)

Budlender, Debbie. and Guy Hewitt, 2003. *Engendering Budgets: A Practical Guide to Understanding and Implementing Gender-Responsive Budgets*. London: The Commonwealth Foundation.

The gender responsive budget programme is now a well-established initiative from the Commonwealth Secretariat, attracting considerable interest among governments, civil society and development agencies keen to participate in the programme. Work on gender responsive budget initiatives has already taken place in over twenty Commonwealth countries. This sourcebook will be of particular use to practitioners, researchers, government officials and NGOs.

Available at:

[http://www.thecommonwealth.org/shared\\_asp\\_files/uploadedfiles/%7BFBF59912-40C3-47A6-89C2-F3E5A0EA9B74%7D\\_Engendering%20Budgets%20final%20doc.pdf](http://www.thecommonwealth.org/shared_asp_files/uploadedfiles/%7BFBF59912-40C3-47A6-89C2-F3E5A0EA9B74%7D_Engendering%20Budgets%20final%20doc.pdf)

Budlender, Debbie, Diane Elson, Guy Hewitt and Tanni Mukhopadhyay, 2002. *Gender Budgets Make Cents: Understanding Gender-Responsive Budgets*. London: Commonwealth Secretariat.

This publication provides a comprehensive understanding of GRB initiatives and will be invaluable to governments, NGOs, donors and other agencies working to integrate a gender analysis into public expenditure policies and budgets. Divided into four sections, the book provides a conceptual and theoretical framework, traces the evolution of work in this area, assesses the role of different stakeholders and highlights lessons learned to date. A profile of known activities at country level shows how gender responsive budgets have been used as a pivotal tool with which to assess budgetary performance and impact.

Available at:

[http://publications.thecommonwealth.org/publications/html/DynaLink/cat\\_id/33/category\\_details.asp](http://publications.thecommonwealth.org/publications/html/DynaLink/cat_id/33/category_details.asp)

Budlender, Debbie and Guy Hewitt, 2002. *Gender Budgets Make More Cents. Country Studies and Good Practice*. London: Commonwealth Secretariat.

This book documents 'good practice' in gender budget work from across the globe. Practitioners share their first-hand experiences and in-depth knowledge of the why, where and how of gender responsive budget (GRB) initiatives. They reflect on both the challenges and successes of initiatives in the Andean region, Australia, Korea, Mexico, the Philippines, Rwanda, Scotland, South Africa and the United Kingdom. A chapter on the Commonwealth Secretariat's involvement in developing and implementing GRB initiatives is also included to suggest the role that can be played by external agencies at the national, regional, and international level. This book will be useful to people from multilateral and bilateral agencies and civil society, and inspire them to take forward gender budget work in their own country and organisation.

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[http://publications.thecommonwealth.org/publications/html/DynaLink/cat\\_id/33/category\\_details.asp](http://publications.thecommonwealth.org/publications/html/DynaLink/cat_id/33/category_details.asp)

Budlender, Debbie and Rhonda Sharp with Kerri Allen, 1998. *How to do a gender-sensitive budget analysis: Contemporary research and practice*. Canberra: AusAID and London: Commonwealth Secretariat.

This document draws data from countries which already have gender-sensitive budgets in place or those which are initiating them (Australia, South Africa, Mozambique, Tanzania, Tasmania, Sri Lanka, Barbados). It shows the diversity of approaches in different countries, and covers the issues, methods and strategies for the first year of implementing the exercise. It has a strong practical orientation, built on a sound research base, and includes theory, examples and discussion

questions. The book is the basis for a series of structured workshops for civil servants from different departments.

Available at:

<http://www.llbc.leg.bc.ca/Public/PubDocs/docs/360141/AusAIDTr.pdf>

Hurt, Karen and Debbie Budlender, (eds.) 2000. *Money Matters Two. Women and the local government budget*. Idasa. South Africa.

Inter-Parliamentary Union, UNIFEM, UNDP, and WBI, 2004. *Parliament, the Budget and Gender*.

This reference tool/handbook, available in English, French and Arabic, is the sixth in a series produced by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) which seeks to advance parliament's own capacity to make a positive impact on the budget, and to equip parliament, its members and parliamentary staff with necessary tools to examine the budget from a gender perspective.

**English available at:** [http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-85201-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-85201-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

**Arabic available at:** [http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-85203-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-85203-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

**French available at:** [http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-85202-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-85202-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

Public Administration Research and Consultation Centre (PARC) and the Egyptian National Council for Women, No date. *Performance-based Budgeting from a Gender Perspective*

This resource book explains performance based budgeting and ways of integrating gender into those budgets. The book, produced in Arabic, also provides a number of examples and practical tools.

Arabic language available at: [http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-86435-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/gender-budgets/ev-86435-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

Sen, Gita, 1999. *A Quick Guide to Gender Mainstreaming in Finance*. London: Commonwealth Secretariat. Available at:

[http://publications.thecommonwealth.org/publications/html/DynaLink/pages/50/cat\\_id/34/category\\_details.asp](http://publications.thecommonwealth.org/publications/html/DynaLink/pages/50/cat_id/34/category_details.asp)

## **Spanish Language Resources**

GTZ, UNIFEM, UNFPA, *Sin Fecha. Presupuestos Públicos y Género en América latina y el Caribe*, Disponible en: <http://www.presupuestoygenero.net/s28/>  
<http://www.presupuestoygenero.net/s28/paginas/mapa.htm>

UNIFEM, 2003, *Documento Metodológico sobre el Análisis del Presupuesto Público con Enfoque De Género*.

Este documento, recoge la sistematización de experiencias de análisis de presupuesto y la propuesta metodológica obtenida a través de la adaptación de herramientas desarrolladas por UNIFEM-Región Andina en Bolivia, Ecuador, y Perú, durante el periodo 2001-2003.

Disponible en:

[http://www.idrc.ca/uploads/user-S/11000383911Documento\\_metodologico\\_Final\\_enviado\\_por\\_AyB.pdf](http://www.idrc.ca/uploads/user-S/11000383911Documento_metodologico_Final_enviado_por_AyB.pdf)

UNIFEM RA y FLACSO, 2005. *Hacia la transparencia y la gobernabilidad con equidad. Presupuestos sensibles al género en la región andina*. Quito, Ecuador.

Este libro documenta, en seis capítulos, el proceso que UNIFEM-RA siguió para impulsar esas iniciativas en Bolivia, Ecuador y Perú, mediante su programa DESafíos, sobre derechos económicos y sociales (DES), y como una herramienta para lograr el empoderamiento de las mujeres mediante el ejercicio de esos derechos.

Disponible en:

[http://www.flacso.org.ec/html/pub1.php?p\\_number=LB\\_0000556](http://www.flacso.org.ec/html/pub1.php?p_number=LB_0000556)

## Key Web Sites

**The Commonwealth Secretariat** has been involved in issues of gender mainstreaming, gender equity and gender and macro-economic issues for many years. Their web site has a wealth of information on these subjects including on GRBIs. For additional information on macro-economics and gender-responsive budgets see:

<http://www.thecommonwealth.org/Templates/Colour.asp?NodeID=34005&int2ndParentNodeID=33895&int3rdParentNodeID=33899>

### **UNIFEM's Programme on Women's Economic Security and Rights.**

For many years UNIFEM has been active providing financial and technical assistance for innovative programmes and strategies that promote women's human rights, political participation and economic security. The Programme economics and reducing women's poverty has supported extensive work on GRBIs in all world regions.

[http://www.unifem.org/gender\\_issues/women\\_poverty\\_economics/](http://www.unifem.org/gender_issues/women_poverty_economics/)

### **UNIFEM, The Commonwealth Secretariat and IDRC.**

This Gender Responsive Budgets Initiatives (GRBI) website is a collaborative effort between the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) ([http://www.unifem.org/index.php?f\\_page\\_pid=19](http://www.unifem.org/index.php?f_page_pid=19)), The Commonwealth Secretariat (<http://www.thecommonwealth.org/Templates/Colour.asp?NodeID=34021>) and Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC) ([http://www.idrc.ca/index\\_en.html](http://www.idrc.ca/index_en.html)), to support government and civil society in analysing national and/or local budgets from a gender perspective and applying this analysis to the formulation of gender responsive budgets. The initiative strives to promote the global objectives and cross-regional information sharing through the formation/support of a network, further development of concepts, tools and training materials, global training of trainers, South-South exchanges, and collaboration with international and regional organisations.

[http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-64152-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-64152-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

This site is also available in French and Spanish.