The Gender Equality Policy of Taipei City towards Sustainable Development in 2030

On January 7, 2022, the 4th meeting of the 13th Taipei City Gender Equality Committee first passed the policy framework. Relevant agencies later submitted action plans, which were discussed and revised by three task groups under the committee. On December 14, 2022, during the 8th meeting of the 13th committee, the overall policy was confirmed and approved.

I. Background

The previous phase of the inter-agency gender equality policy, Taipei City Government Gender-Based Policies for Response to Low Birth Rate and Aging Population (Years 2019-2021), has come to an end. In order to align with the operations of the Taipei City Gender Equality Committee's (GEC) three task groups and foster collaborative efforts across agencies to promote gender equality, as well as to broaden the scope of gender-related issues, the global framework of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) has been referenced. The Gender Equality Policy of Taipei City towards Sustainable Development in 2030 has been developed as the overarching policy framework to facilitate cross-agency cooperation.

This policy goes beyond the specific targets of Goal 5 (SDG 5) on gender equality in the Sustainable Development Goals and incorporates a gender perspective into the overall sustainable development framework. By aligning with international trends and putting "gender inclusivity in all areas" into actual daily practice, it seeks to inspire strategies and tools to keeping up with the times for gender equality, boost the momentum, and strive towards sustained gender equality, ultimately creating a gender-friendly city in line with the Sustainable Development Goals.

II. Policy Framework Basis

Based on the five pillars of United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (5 Ps) and the 17 SDGs, this policy framework examines the ongoing initiatives of various agencies within the Taipei City Government. By integrating gender objectives into these initiatives, it establishes specific implementation methods for gender equality policies in the city, while embodying the spirit of sustainable development.

- 1. Provide People-Centered Welfare Services (People)
 - SDG 1: Ensure equal rights for all individuals to access economic resources and prevent women from falling into poverty.
 - SDG 2: Ensure access to adequate and nutritious food for all individuals; promote gender-awareness and empower women in decisionmaking processes in food-related organizations.
 - SDG 3: Ensure the right to health, including mental health, for all individuals (including persons with disabilities, older adults, and individuals with mental illnesses).
 - SDG 4: Eliminate gender division of labour in the field of education and promote gender equality in cultural customs, while implementing gender equality education.
 - SDG5: Achieve gender equality in the public and private spheres and eliminate gender-based violence.
- 2. Promote Inclusive and Sustainable Economic Prosperity (Prosperity)

- SDG7: Ensure access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services for all.
- SDG8: Increase women's labor force participation, promote equal pay for equal work, and ensure gender equality in the workplace.
- SDG9: Build gender-sensitive infrastructure.
- SDG10: Ensure equal opportunities and reduce inequalities of outcome, and promote policies and measures that are diverse and inclusive.
- SDG11: Ensure access for all to gender-sensitive, adequate, safe, and affordable housing, basic services, and transportation.
- 3. Create an inclusive and safe living environment (Peace)
 - SDG16: Foster peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, ensuring access to justice and freedom from violence for all.
- 4. Ensure the sustainability of the earth's resources (Planet)

SDG6: Ensure access to clean drinking water and adequate sanitation for all.

- SDG12: Ensure the diversification and sustainability of consumption and production patterns, and increase women's participation in related industries.
- SDG13: Integrate gender perspectives in climate change adaptation, mitigation, and disaster resilience measures.
- SDG14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans and marine resources for sustainable development.
- SDG15: Ensure adequate access to green resources for all men and women.
- 5. Strengthen public-private partnership and cross-border connections (Partnership)

SDG17: Strengthen partnerships for promoting gender issues, including

public-private partnership and international connections.

III. Action Plan

Based on the aforementioned policy framework and gender equality goals of Taipei City, the Office for Gender Equality in Taipei City (referred to as OGE) has developed a total of 59 gender equality policies.

- 1. In the initial planning stage, relevant agencies of the Taipei City Government submitted 73 action plans in accordance with these policies. After consultation meetings with the Gender Equality Committee, a total of 17 units and 45 action plans were selected (see the attached table on pages 4-5 for details) based on policy objectives, corresponding SDG targets, gender equality policies, implementation period, execution details, relevance to gender equality (gender statistics and analysis, gender issues, application of the CEDAW Convention, gender implications of policy implementation), gender equality promotion strategies, budget allocation, and current implementation status.
- 2. The responsible evaluation units (three task groups) can make rolling adjustments to the action plans based on the implementation progress, including content modifications and plan replacements. The coordinating unit (OGE) will conduct a biennial survey to assess whether agencies have added relevant policies or action plans in line with this framework. If necessary, a special project meeting may be convened to select action plans.

IV. Executing Units

- 1. Coordinating and planning unit: Office for Gender Equality, Taipei City Government
- 2. Responsible evaluation unit: Taipei City Gender Equality

Committee 3 task groups (1) Economic Empowerment and Support Group (Secretariat Unit: Department of Labour) (2) Society and Education Group (Secretariat unit: Department of Social Welfare) (3) Health, Environment and Technology Group (Secretariat unit: Department of Health)

3. Executing and handling units: all first-level agencies of the Taipei City Government, and the Office for Gender Equality

V. Execution period: 2023 to 2030 years

VI. Evaluation of Effectiveness and Incentives

- 1. Each action plan is developed and implemented by the respective executing units and they are required to submit reports to the corresponding task groups of the GEC on the actual implementation status and outcomes of the previous year at the beginning of each year. The content of each action plan shall be formulated and implemented by each executive unit, and the actual implementation status and results of the previous year shall be reported to the division of labor group of the Peace Council to which the plan belongs at the beginning of each year.
- Incentives for this policy are integrated into the Taipei City Government Biennial Gender Equality Work Promotion Award Program, and awards are granted according to the established regulations.

- VII. Sources of funds: Allocated from the annual budgets of respective agencies and departments.
- VIII. This policy will be implemented after approval by the Taipei City Gender Equality Committee.
 Rolling adjustments during the implementation period will be developed by the coordinating and responsible evaluation units and approved by the Taipei City Gender Equality Committee.

[Attachment] Action Plan Grouping Table for The Gender Equality Policy of Taipei City

towards Sustainable Development in 2030

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| Secretariat | Department of Labour | Department of Social Welfare | Department of Health |
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| | Department of Economic | Department of Education, Department | Department of Sports, Department |
| | Development, Department of Land | of Cultural Affairs, Department of | of Transportation, Taipei Rapid |
| | Administration, Department of | Information and Tourism, Department | Transit Corporation, The |
| | Personnel, Department of Finance, | of Legal Affairs, Department of Civil | Department of Rapid Transit |
| | Department of Social Welfare, | Affairs, Hakka Affairs Commission, | Systems, Taipei City Fire |
| | Department of Education and | Department of Civil Servant | Department, Public Works |
| Member agencies | Department of Health. | Development, Secretariat, Police | Department, Department of Urban |
| Member agencies | | Department, Department of | Development, Urban Planning |
| | | Compulsory Military Service, Research | Commission, Department of |
| | | Development and Evaluation | Environmental Protection, Taipei |
| | | Commission, Department of Budget, | Feitsui Reservoir Administration, |
| | | Accounting and Statistics, Department | Taipei Water Department, and |
| | | of Government Ethics, | Department of Information |
| | | | Technology. |
| 2030 Towards SDGs | [SDG1] | [SDG4] | [SDG3] |
| gender equality policy | 1. Promote Gender Equality in | 1. Eliminate gender divisions in | 1. Ensure maternal health |
| framework and action | Property and Land Inheritance and | learning fields. | [Department of Health] |
| plan | Gifting | (1) Encourage women's | Maternal Assistance |
| | [Department of Finance] | participation in STEM fields. | Program - Taipei City |
| | Advocating for gender | (2) Emphasize the importance of | Safeguarding |

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| | equality in property and | women's competitive sports and | Maternal and Infant |
| | land inheritance and | promote gender equality in | Health. |
| | gifting. | sports. | 2. Promote diversified childbirth |
| | 2. Empower Women to Overcome | [Department of Education] Taipei | delivery methods and postnatal |
| | Poverty | City Government STEM | care. |
| | (1) Address the needs of low-income | Women's | [Department of Health] Sustain |
| | women and homeless women | Empowerment | diversified childbirth |
| | (including the placement of | Program. | delivery methods |
| | impoverished women) | [Department of Sports] Promote | and postnatal care. |
| | [Department of Social Welfare] | women's competitive | 4. Provide accessible environments |
| | Establish the first | sports. | and services for women with |
| | Street Outreach and | 2. Promote gender equality in | disabilities in healthcare, |
| | Empowerment | traditional customs and culture and | prenatal care, and childbirth. |
| | Workstation - Restoring | eliminate gender stereotypes | 5. Study gender differences in |
| | Connections | (Confucius Memorial Ceremony, | suicide and mental health to |
| | Workstation. | Hakka Martyrs' Memorial | develop prevention and control |
| | (2) Support for families in hardship | Ceremony, Indigenous Cultural | measures. |
| | [Department of Social Welfare] | Festivals, etc.). | [Department of Health] Taipei |
| | Lift women out of | [Taipei City Department of Civil | City Suicide |
| | poverty - support for | Affairs] Advocate | Prevention and |
| | families in hardship. | gender equality in | Control Plan for the |
| | [Indigenous Peoples | funeral ceremony | year 2023. |
| | Commission]Grants for | enhancements. | 6. Promote healthy aging among |
| | indigenous women. | [Indigenous Peoples | middle-aged and older |
| | (3) Ensure the economic security | Commission] | individuals. |

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| | (including housing) of elderly | Experiential activities | [Department of Sports] Taipei |
| | women. | for promoting | City Government |
| | | indigenous arts, | Active Aging |
| | [SDG2] | culture, and education. | Program. |
| | 1. Enhance women's decision-making | 3. Put gender equality education into | |
| | power and executive's gender | daily practice. | [SDG4] |
| | awareness in farmers' associations, | (1) Adult gender equality advocacy | 1. Eliminate gender divisions in |
| | agricultural production companies, | (community colleges, lifelong | learning fields. |
| | fishery production companies, and | learning institutes, senior | (3) Enhance women's |
| | livestock production companies. | schools). | technological accessibility |
| | [Department of Economic | [Department of Education] | and proficiency. |
| | Development]Enhance | Gender equality | [Department of Information |
| | the participation of | education promotion | Technology] Free |
| | women and promote | program for Taipei | digital training for |
| | gender awareness | City's community | Taipei citizens. |
| | training in farmers' | colleges. | |
| | associations. | (2) Gender awareness training for | [SDG5] |
| | [Department of Economic | childcare and early education | 4. Promote reproductive health |
| | Development]Supervise | professionals. | (1) Actively provide information |
| | agricultural, fishery and | [Department of Social Welfare] | on pregnancy-related |
| | livestock companies to | Put gender equality | subsidies and advocate |
| | promote women's | education into daily | prenatal check-ups and |
| | participation in | practice – gender | reproductive healthcare |
| | decision-making and | awareness training for | measures. |
| | gender awareness | childcare and early | (2) Ensure childbirth support and |

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| | training | education | care for teenage |
| | 2. Provide meals services to vulnerable | professionals. | pregnancies. |
| | communities | [Department of Education] | |
| | (1) Meals services for the socially | Implementing gender | [SDG6] |
| | disadvantaged | equality education in | 1. Address the insufficient number of |
| | [Department of Social | daily life – professional | women's restrooms in public |
| | Welfare]Taipei Love | training for | facilities. |
| | Meals Network-Hope | kindergarten | 2. Promote the construction of |
| | Kitechen | principals. | gender-neutral/unisex |
| | (2) Subsidies for school lunch | (3) Family education and parenting | restrooms. |
| | [Department of Education]Taipei | education. | [Department of Urban |
| | City School Lunch | [Department of Social Welfare] | Development] |
| | Subsidy Program | Put gender equality | Promote gender- |
| | | education into daily | neutral restrooms. |
| | [SDG3] | practice – family | |
| | 3. Encourage men's involvement in | education and | [SDG7] |
| | paternity leave, postnatal care, and | parenting education. | 1. Promote women's participation in |
| | childcare. | | community-based power |
| | [Department of Health]Superhero | [SDG5] | generation and energy-saving |
| | Partner (paternal, | 2. Encourage both parents' | leadership. |
| | postnatal, and newborn | participation in parent-child | [Department of Environmental |
| | health education | activities and take the needs of | Protection] Enhance |
| | guidance). | diverse family structures (such as | women's |
| | | same-sex parents) into | participation in |
| | [SDG5] | consideration. | community-based |

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| | 1. Encourage men's participation in | 3. Promote measures for gender | energy-saving |
| | household chores and care work; | diversity and inclusivity (both | initiatives. |
| | reduce women's care burden; | hardware and software). | [Department of Economic |
| | emphasize the value of domestic | [Department of Civil Affairs] | Development] Taipei |
| | labour. | Promote a city of | City Citizen |
| | [Department of Civil | gender diversity and | Participation in |
| | Affairs]Promote gender | inclusivity. | Energy Transition - |
| | equality in domestic | [Office for Gender Equality] | Citizen-Owned |
| | division of labor. | Integrated resource | Power Plants on |
| | 6. Promote women's participation in | service plan to support | Public-Owned Land. |
| | decision-making | daily needs of | 2. Eliminate occupational gender |
| | | transgender | segregation in energy |
| | [SDG8] | individuals in Taipei | management. |
| | 1. Promote and advance gender | City. | 3. Increase the adoption rate of |
| | equality in the workplace | 5. Eliminate gender-based violence | electric vehicles. |
| | (1) Workplace safety | (1) Preventing domestic violence. | [Department of Environmental |
| | (2) Maternity-friendly policies. | (2) Preventing sexual assault. | Protection] Increase |
| | (3) Work-life balance. | [Department of Social Welfare] | the adoption rate of |
| | (4) Eliminate gender pay gap. | Protection against | electric scooters. |
| | (5) Workplace gender equality | sexual assault | 4. Provide disaster prevention and |
| | education and training. | services. | energy education for domestic |
| | (6) Workplace gender equality | [Police Department] Outreach | caregivers. |
| | mechanisms. | program for gender- | |
| | (7) Gender equality in organizational | based violence | [SDG9] |
| | decision-making | prevention. | 1. Promote inclusive playground |

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| | [Department of Labour] Promote | (3) Prevention of sexual | equipment and facilities in public |
| | workplace gender | harassment. | parks. |
| | equality certification | [Department of Social Welfare] | [Department of Public Works] |
| | program. | Sexual harassment | Put in place gender- |
| | 2. Promote employment for middle- | prevention advocacy. | friendly inclusive |
| | aged and older individuals, | | playground facilities. |
| | especially women, and advocate | [SDG10] | 2. Create parenting-friendly and |
| | for age-friendly workplace | 4. Reducing age discrimination against | elderly-friendly environments |
| | certification. | middle-aged and older individuals. | with gender equality. |
| | 3. Encourage companies to develop | | 3. Build a smart city informed by |
| | diverse employment or hiring | [SDG16] | gender awareness. |
| | models (such as part-time or | 1. Deliberatesurveys and | |
| | flexible work arrangements). | countermeasures for gender-based | [SDG11] |
| | | digital violence. | 1. Promote diverse housing policies |
| | [SDG10] | (1) Promote research on gender- | and residential services informed |
| | 1. Build a migrant worker and | based digital violence. | by gender awareness. (rental |
| | immigrant-friendly living | (2) Prevent gender-based digital | subsidies, subletting and agent |
| | environment. | violence and hate speech | management services, |
| | [Department of Civil Affairs] | (internal training, outreach | construction of social housing). |
| | Establish a migrant- | advocacy). | [Department of Urban |
| | friendly living | [Department of Social Welfare] | Development] |
| | environment. | Construction of a | Diverse housing |
| | 2. Promote employment for women | service network for | policies and |
| | with disabilities. | victims of non- | residential services |
| | [Department of Labor] Vocational | consensual | (rental subsidies). |

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| | rehabilitation | distribution of intimate | [Department of Urban |
| | management and | images, with victim- | Development] Social |
| | employment services | oriented services | housing managed |
| | for persons with | covering all the bases. | rentals program. |
| | disabilities. | 2. Promote restorative justice | 2. Enlist more gender-friendly |
| | 3. Promote indigenous livelihood | procedures for gender-based | establishments |
| | support and economic | violence | 3. Foster gender-friendly spaces in |
| | empowerment. | | transportation and road systems. |
| | [Indigenous Peoples | [SDG17] | [Department of Transportation] |
| | Commission] | 1. Promote public-private partnership | Provide nighttime |
| | Indigenous industry | models and inter-agency | taxi and bus |
| | talent training program. | cooperation in gender policy | services. |
| | | development. | 4. Increase the coverage of urban |
| | | [Department of Social Welfare] | tree canopies (green shade). |
| | | Gender equality | [Department of Public Works] |
| | | trainers' training and | Increase the |
| | | teaching material | coverage area of |
| | | development program | urban tree canopies. |
| | | at Taipei Women's | |
| | | Center. | [SDG12] |
| | | 2. Develop international networks on | 1. Encourage large-scale |
| | | gender issues | procurement by government |
| | | | agencies to include gender |
| | | | equality criteria in corporate |
| | | | social responsibility evaluations. |

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| | | | [Department of Public Works] |
| | | | Action plan for |
| | | | corporate social |
| | | | responsibility in |
| | | | large-scale |
| | | | procurement. |
| | | | 2. Promote moderate family |
| | | | purchases, avoiding waste. |
| | | | [SDG13] |
| | | | 1. Incorporate gender awareness |
| | | | into disaster relief drills and |
| | | | establishing gender-friendly |
| | | | measures in times of crisis |
| | | | [Fire Department] Gender- |
| | | | friendly measures in Taipei |
| | | | City's disaster response and relief drills. |
| | | | 2. Encourage women's involvement |
| | | | in disaster response and relief work. |
| | | | 3. Incorporate gender equality |
| | | | mechanisms in decision-making |
| | | | and services related to climate |
| | | | change or disasters. |