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GL Madagascar (GLM) began operations in 2011 and is the Francophone head office of Gender Links. GLM works with 67 Centres of Excellence for Gender in Local Government.

In 2018 GLM:

- Launch the "Sunrise Campaign" in eight councils of Madagascar, Manjankandriana, Toamasina, Mahajanga, Andoharanomaintso, Antanamitarana, Fort Dauphin, Bongatsara and Anjozorobe. GLM signed a Memorandum of Understanding with each Municipality and integrated the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights - SRHR in the gender action plan of the targeted councils.
- Established partnership with GIZ-ProDéCID/GIZ to implement the project "Increased participation of women in local government for inclusive development" and a study "Flash" to update

the gender analysis in the Decentralisation sector of 2016.

- Signed a contract with the PAGE / GIZ Environmental Management Support Program to implement the project "Capacity Building for Women Entrepreneurs' Associations".

GL's Monitoring and Evaluation through the Gender and Local Government Score card shows that:

- Women comprise 12% Councillors in the COEs; 14% mayor/political heads; 22% deputy mayors/political heads. Women chair 21% committees overall and 88% water and sanitation committees in the COE.
- 92% of the COE councils have Junior Councillors; young women chair 33% of these.
- Women comprise 28% of COE employees and 19% of management.
- 17% of COE councils have disability friendly facilities.
- Women comprise 40% COE employees.
- Youth comprise 72% and People with Disabilities 1% those employed through COE council projects.
- 36% COE councils keep sex disaggregated data on procurement; 86% set a target for increasing the number and value of contracts allocated to women, PWD and youth.
- Women comprised 27% of those allocated land; 28% those allocated housing
- 85% of the COE councils have street lights.



Entrepreneurship training in Sakaraha, Madagascar - June 2018.

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