

EU GENDER ACTION PLAN III

Country Level Implementation Plan for **Malaysia** (2021–2025)

GENDER ACTION PLAN (GAP) III is the European Union's blueprint for building a gender-equal world aiming to curb the rise of inequalities, and to accelerate progress on gender equality and women's empowerment. GAP III emphasises the importance of working together with EU Member States, in close cooperation with all partners, including civil society and communities to enhance the involvement of women's and youths' organisations and movements.

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Translating GAP III into action

The Country Level Implementation Plan (CLIP) for Malaysia:

- Translates EU Gender Action Plan III into actions for Malaysia.
- Identifies the main areas of work for 2021-2025 and objectives to be reached.
- Was prepared and will be undertaken by Team Europe.

CLIP approaches

Key approaches for the implementation of the CLIP:

- Gender mainstreaming.
- Targeted actions supporting gender equality and women's empowerment.
- Dialogue with Ministries and engagement with civil society in Malaysia.
- Public diplomacy campaigns.

CLIP–Areas of Engagement

1. Challenge gender norms and power inequalities, in particular in the intertwining of religion and politics;
2. Gender based violence, especially among the most marginalised;
3. Promoting sexual and reproductive health and rights;
4. Empowerment of women, especially in terms of advancing equal political participation and leadership;
5. Furthering the Women Peace and Security Agenda in Malaysia;
6. Addressing the gender gap in the green and digital transitions so that they can be just transitions.

Actions envisaged under CLIP approaches

- Gender as a priority area in national calls for proposals funded by the EU in Malaysia from 2021-2025, with a focus on gender equality and women's empowerment.
- Dialogue and technical assistance with the Government of Malaysia using SDG 5 as an entry point at national and ASEAN level focusing on gender-based violence, sexual and reproductive health and rights, etc.
- Working with Parliamentarians through Malaysia CSO's SDG Alliance.
- Engagement with civil society in Malaysia under the framework of the CSO roadmap 2021-2025 in empowering women and girls and strengthening gender equality and justice.
- Public diplomacy activities (focused on key International Days) to discuss gender equality and challenges in Malaysia.
- Advocacy for safe spaces online.
- Capacity building for women on access to land and natural resources.

Rational for CLIP

The CLIP areas of engagement are based on:

- Sound gender analysis.
- Dialogue with national government and consultations with women's organisations, civil society organisations (CSOs) working on gender equality and women's empowerment and with international organisations.