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Coimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission

CEDAW Report 2025

Climate

<u>Issues</u>

Policy Framework

The Climate Action Plan 2025 is not genderproofed to make sure it has equal impacts on women and men. It contains no specific actions to address the impact of climate change on women and girls in Ireland.

Impact of Storms

Storm surges and rising sea levels due to climate change have harmful impacts on women's and girls' rights. They decrease and restrict access to employment, education, transport, utilities and vital refuge accommodation and support services. This results in a potential increase in the rates of domestic, sexual and gender-based violence.

Participation

Women and girls are often left out of climate decision-making processes at local, regional and national level. This particularly applies to disabled women and girls, women and girls in poverty, and women and girls in island, coastal and rural communities.

IHREC Recommendations



Gender and poverty-proof all climate action and adaptation measures.



Include women and girls at all stages in decision-making processes on climate action and emergency planning.



Develop measures to ensure that refuge accommodation and support services are available and accessible to victims and survivors of domestic, sexual and gender-based violence in climate-related disasters.