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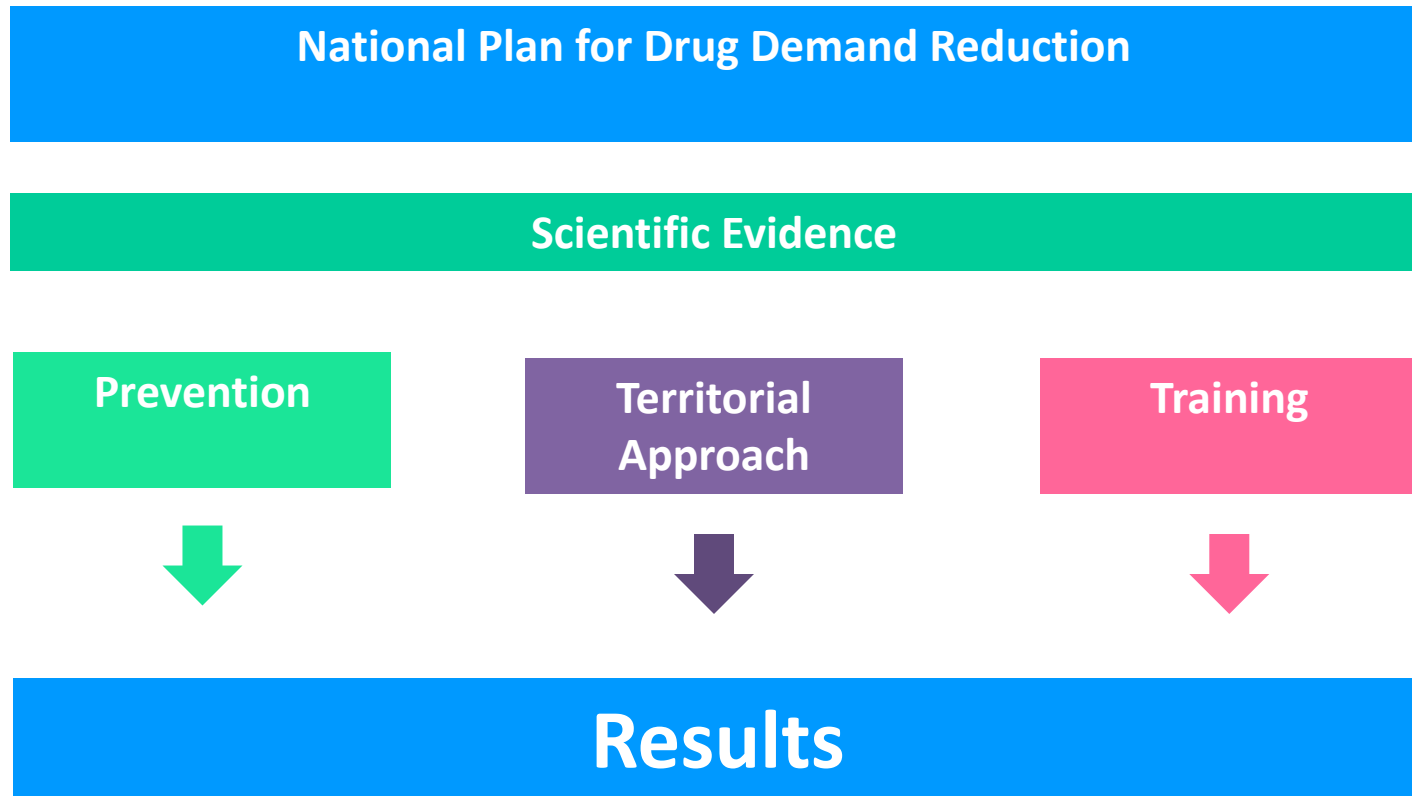
Gender Perspective in the Design of Drug Policies

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Work Strategy



Scientific Evidence

18 million people

After **7 years**, the Argentinean Observatory on Drugs conducted a general population study

 **12-65 years old**

In cities of more than **80.000** inhabitants

Trends in the consumption of legal substances in women

	2010	2017	Evolution
Alcohol	65,2%	76,5%	+11,3%
Tobacco	43%	47,8%	+4,8%

+between 10% and 20%

Source: Report on the main results on the female population. National Study on Consumption of Psychoactive Substances in the Population from 12 to 65 years old. Argentina, 2017.

Trends in women's consumption of illegal substances

	2010	2017	Evolution
Marihuana	4,7%	13,9%	+9,2%
Cocaine	0,8%	2,6%	+1,8%
Hallucinogens	0,4%	1,5%	+1,1%
Ecstasy	0,3%	1,1%	+0,8%

+200%

Consumption of **marihuana**
doubled

+300%

Consumption of **cocaine,**
hallucinogens and ecstasy tripled

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Trend Comparison by Gender

	Men	Women
	2010-2017	2010-2017
Alcohol	10,6%	11,3%
Tobacco	3,1%	4,8%
Marihuana	9,4%	9,2%
Cocaine	3,6%	1,8%
Hallucinogens	1,2%	1,1%
Ecstasy	0,7%	0,8%

Main Conclusions

- **Consumption rates are lower in women**
- **Consumption among women increased** more than consumption among men between 2010 and 2017
- This implies that there is a **tendency towards parity** in future consumption, if there are no **public policies** to address the issue

Propensity to consume drug by age in women

Feels curiosity for trying drugs

33.8% (18 to 24)

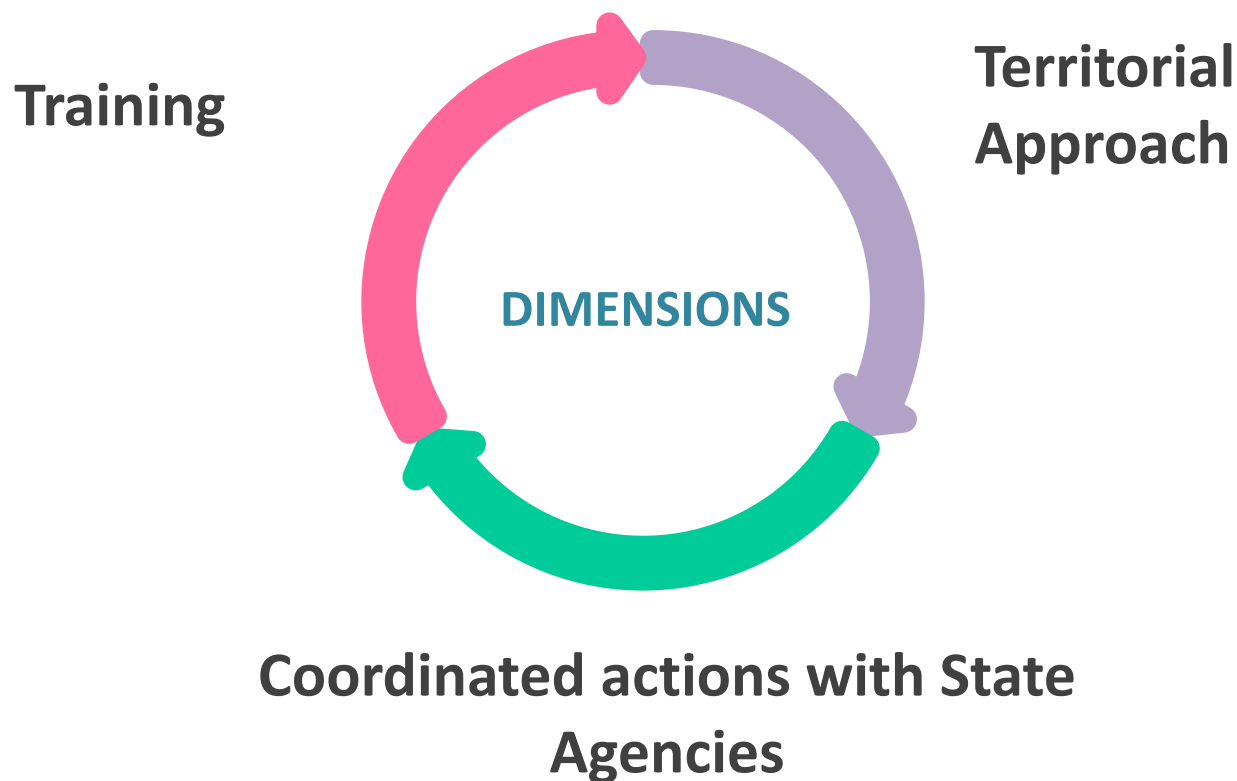
25.4% (25 to 34)

Would try drugs if given chance

15.5% (25 to 34)

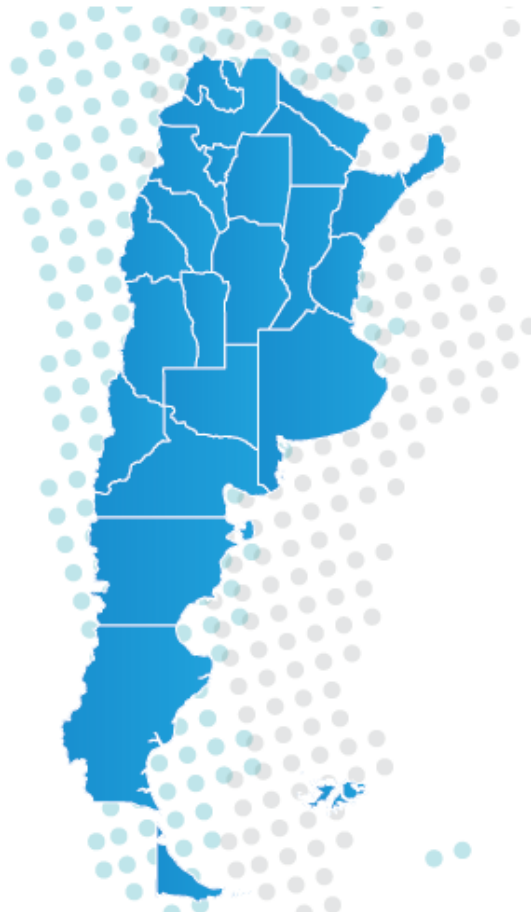
8.6% (25 to 34)

Dimensions of gender policies



**Policies with a gender
perspective implemented by
Sedronar**

Coordinated actions with state agencies



National Level

- Chief of Cabinet of Ministers
- Ministry of Health and Social Development
- Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Technology
- Ministry of Justice and Human Rights
- Ministry of Security

Province

- Provincial governments,
- Ministries and Secretariats

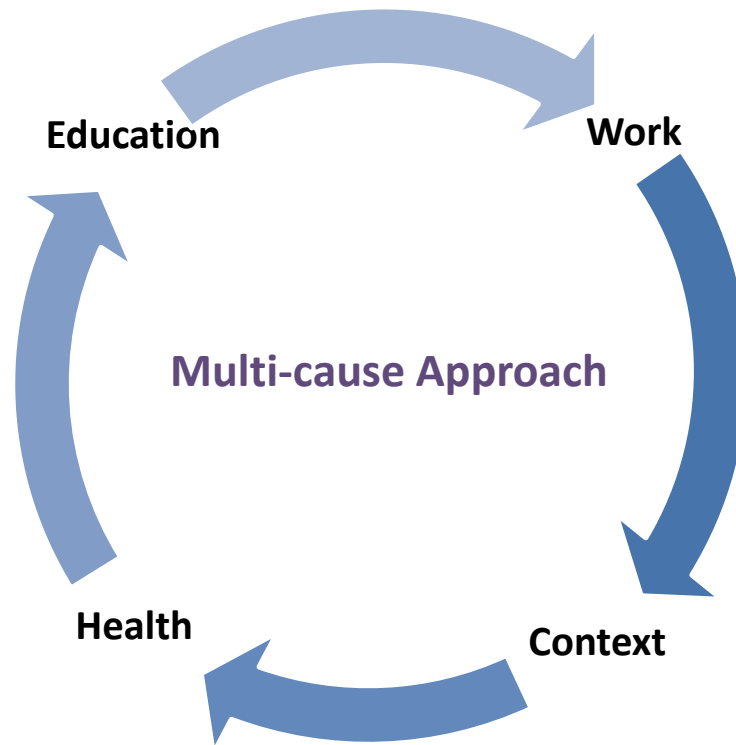
Municipality

- Municipal governments

Training

- We adhere to the **Equality of Opportunity Rights Plan (PIOD)** of the National Institute of Women (**INAM**)
- We created the Gender and Sexual Diversity Commission
- Joint **trainings** with INAM
 - Technical teams
 - Professionals
 - Social organizations

Territorial Approach



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- House for **pregnant women and with children** in Lujan
- Spaces **exclusively for women** in coordination with **Civil Society Organizations**
- **Specific opportunities to enhance the accessibility** of women to treatment
- Therapeutic houses for **trans population**

**Regional Programs
promoted by CICAD**

Gender approach to alternatives to incarceration and social reintegration

Project “Gender in the Criminal Justice System: Exploring Evidence-based Alternatives to Incarceration for Drug-related Offences”.

Objectives

Create opportunities for women and the LGBTI population

Reduce substance use

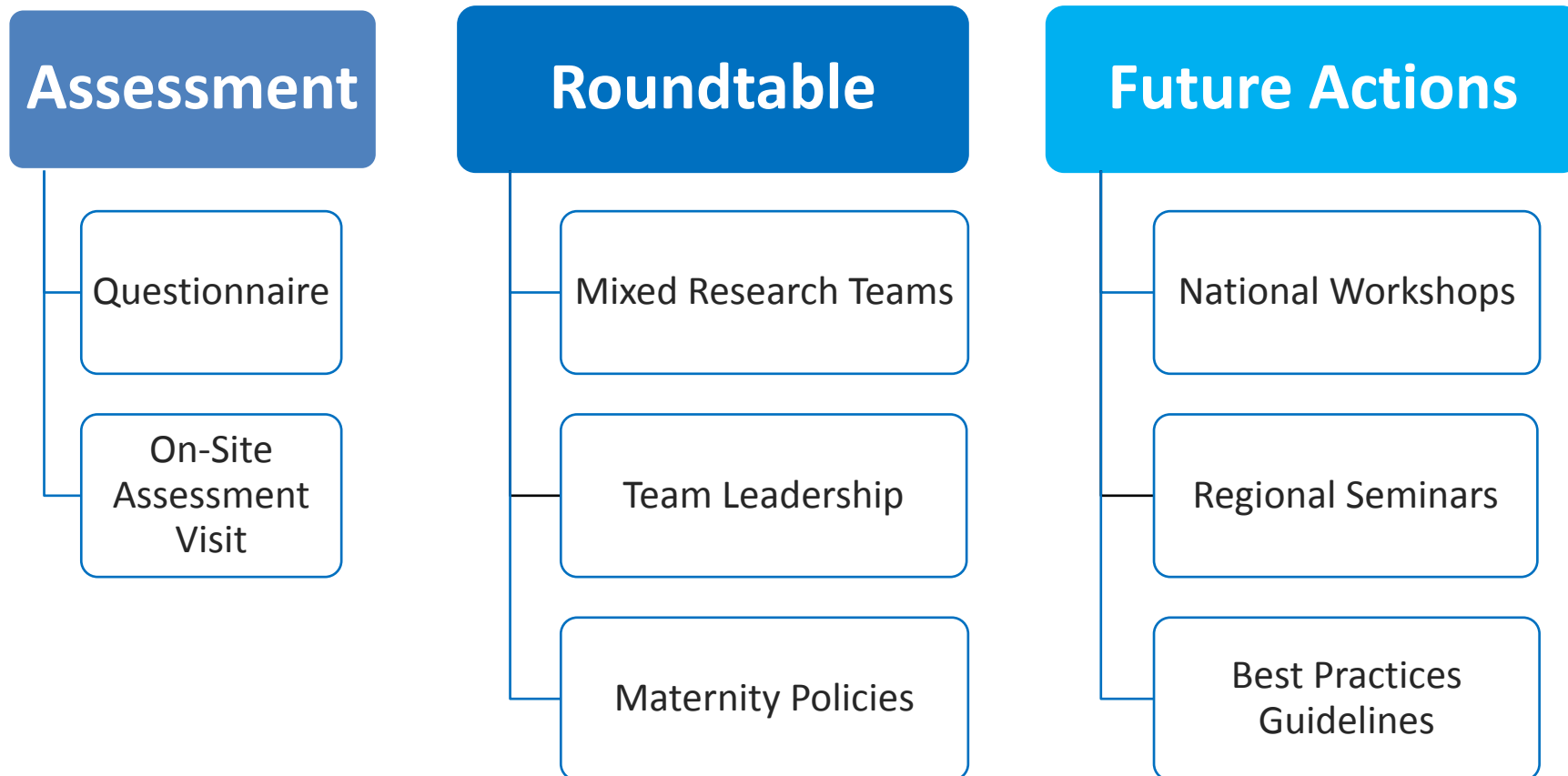
Avoid the repetition of criminal behavior

Encourage the social integration of participants

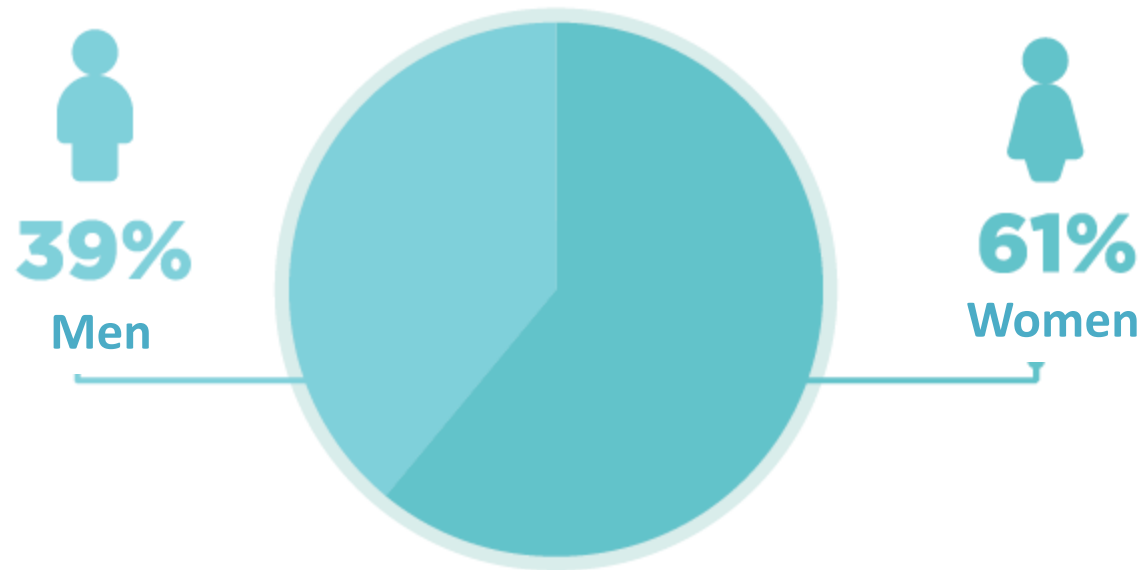
GENLEA Program

The Inter-American Program for Strengthening Gender Equality in Counter-Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (GENLEA) is implemented in Argentina by the Ministry of Security. This program aims to strengthen CICAD member states' capacities to dismantle criminal organizations involved in drug trafficking, by emphasizing gender mainstreaming as a factor that helps improve effectiveness of anti-drug intelligence operations.

Progress of GENLEA Program



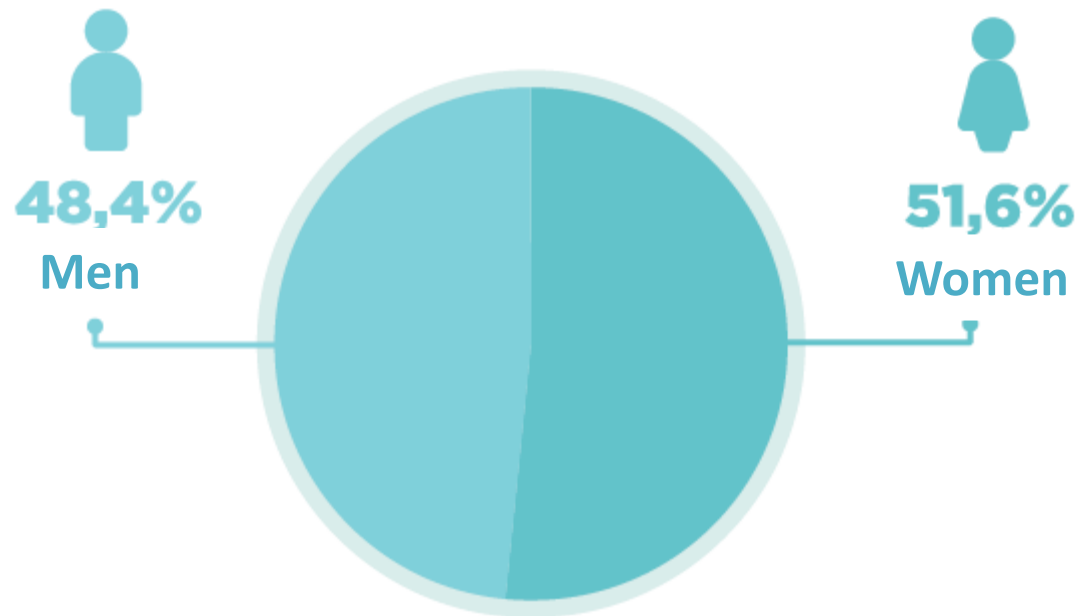
Sedronar staff by gender



More than 60% of Sedronar staff are women

Sedronar

Decision-makers by gender



More than 50% of Sedronar decision-makers are women

"It is our challenge to include the gender perspective as a crosscutting element in all initiatives led by Sedronar and promote this view during the Argentine chairmanship of CICAD"

Thank You