

LEGAL BASIS AND FRAMEWORK

Internal framework

- Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo
- Law on Gender Equality in Kosovo (2004)
- Administrative Instruction No. 4/2007 on Human Rights Units in the Government of Kosovo
- Convention on Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women, which has become a part of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo
- Law Against Discrimination (LAD)
- Law on Mediation
- Administrative Instruction on the Implementation of LAD
- Action Plan on the Implementation of LAD
- Government Programs on Gender Equality
- Administrative Instruction on Equal Opportunity Procedures
- Law on the Use of Languages
- Law on the Freedom of Religion
- Law on Cultural Heritage
- Law on the Promotion of Rights of Communities and their members

External legal framework

- Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)
- Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women
- United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 “Women, Peace and Security”
- European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms
- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
- Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
- Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Convention against Tortures and other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment
- Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities
- European Charter of Regional and Minority Languages

Institutional mechanisms

mKSF and KSF have the following mechanisms inside their organizational structure:

- Human Rights Unit
- Community Affairs Unit
- Legal Department
- KSF Inspectorate
- KSF Land Forces Command has a Gender Equality Officer in the Personnel Department (G1)

Institutional legal mechanisms (existing mechanisms)

The following have been established on local and central level:

- Office of Good Governance in the Office of the Prime Minister
- Gender Equality Agency
- Human Rights Units in every Ministry
- Gender Equality Officers in every Ministry of the Government
- Inter-Ministerial Group on Gender Equality
- Gender Equality Unit within the Office of Kosovo Statistics
- Commission on Human Rights, Equal Opportunities, Gender Equality and Missing Persons at the Assembly of Kosovo
- Gender Equality Officers in 30 Municipalities of Kosovo
- Ministry for Communities and Returns
- Community Office in the Office of the Prime Minister
- Committee on Rights and Interests of Communities and Returns
- Committee on the Use of Languages
- Communities Consultation Council at the Office of the President
- Human Rights Units in Municipalities with Community Officers
- Community Committees in Municipalities