The Standing Committee for Gender Equality in Science (SCGES) is an independent committee formed in 2020 by nine international scientific organizations, most of which are full members of the International Science Council (ISC). These founding partners had worked together on the ISC supported project A Global Approach to the Gender Gap in Mathematical, Computing, and Natural Sciences: How to Measure It, How to Reduce It?, which became known as the “Gender Gap in Science Project”. At the time of this report, SCGES has 23 partners, most of which are ISC International Union Members. They represent scientists around the world, brought together across disciplines to promote gender equality in science.

The aim of SCGES is to ensure liaison amongst international scientific unions to foster gender equality and the implementation of recommendations of the “Gender Gap in Science Project”, especially in the scientific communities that the scientific unions represent.

SCGES works to encourage and systematize the exchange of information on gender equality and women in science amongst scientific unions. The present report, is evidence of its current work on this endeavor. It contains brief reports from 20 partners of SCGES, all of which have a stated commitment to gender equality. Exchanging information on all related issues and making them visible is a major motivation for the partners who work together in SCGES.

In 2023, SCGES has held its first in-person meeting in Paris, where its plans and strategies have been discussed intensively. It has also continued its series of webinars in which relevant topics are discussed: the situation of women in various scientific disciplines around the world, the work towards gender equality, the results of research on women and gender, and more broadly on intersectionality in disciplines where such research is carried out. Last but not least, it has undertaken to collect data relevant to gender balance among its partner organisations.

SCGES membership among international scientific unions has more than doubled in three years. One of our priorities is to further increase the number of partner unions, so as to join forces across disciplines to promote gender equality in science.

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