SESSION 1: Sharing Country Experiences through Story Telling

AFREA GENDER AND ENERGY WORKSHOP

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Different types of KE activities

Presentation Activities
- Demonstration
- Expert Panel
- Lightning Talks
- Poster Session
- Report
- Storytelling

Discussion Activities
- Anecdote Circle
- Brainstorming
- Buzz Session
- E-Discussion
- Knowledge Cafe
- Peer Assist

Experiential Activities
- Action Planning
- Book Sprint
- Field Visit
- Fishbowl
- Role Play
- Secondment
- Simulation
What is storytelling?

- An important tool for knowledge exchange.
- Knowledge exchange is an important objective of this workshop.
- Knowledge exchange can be used as part of the change/reform process (gender mainstreaming IS a change process)
- Story telling involves using innovative ways to share information about our work so that it has more lasting impact.

Why use story telling?

- To share & capture tacit knowledge, especially on an emerging issue.
- To support deeper understanding of a complex topic.
- Draw and focus attention on a special topic.
- Enables you to do things more creatively and bring a human touch to your experiences.
- Helps your audience to retain and remember more than 20% of what you tell them, because..........

“The Forgetting Curve”

Our memory’s is limited

What: People forget - and they forget fast
Why: There is a distinction between short and long-term memory
So?: Successful learning has to push knowledge from short to long-term memory to be successful.
How: This is where “packaging”, practice, reinforcement, and bite-sizing come in.

Source: Donald Clark, Plan B, http://donaldclarkplanb.blogspot.com/search?q=Ebbinghaus
An effective story causes your brain to light up
Tips for Developing an effective story

- Use **visual hooks** when to capture the audience’s attention.

- Create a solid narrative, with **beginning, middle, and end**. Keep in mind that the **beginning and the end are critical** -- they are what tend to stay with the audience.

- Use **true stories** and keep the story simple so that you don’t overwhelm the audience. Who were the people? **What was at stake?**

- Make sure **key message or inspiration for action** comes through.

- **Resolution**: What happened/changed? **Ending should be in about 2 to three sentences.**

Tips for Sharing an effective story

- Strong opening! Strong ending! Remember your first and last lines. Build up a momentum. Be authentic.

- Speak it out loud. Things that look fabulous on your Powerpoint do not come out naturally when you speak!

- Time yourself. If you can, read it to your colleagues.

- Connect with your audience - You have that advantage of knowing the details.

- Take us (your audience) on a journey about your gender mainstreaming process.

Gender Mainstreaming Process

**Session 1**

**Step 1**
Gender Assessment
- Screening/Desk Review
- Data Collection Tools
- Institutional Capacity Analysis
- Sample TORs

**Step 2**
Gender Action Plan
- From Assessment to Action Plan
- Monitoring and Evaluation Tools
- Gender Action Plan Examples
- Sample TORs

**Step 3**
Implementation and Monitoring
- Training Needs Assessment and Capacity Building
- Sample TORs

**Step 4**
Completion and Evaluation
- Training Needs Assessment and Capacity Building
- Sample TORs

Online Tools: [www.ESMAP.org/EnergyandGender](http://www.ESMAP.org/EnergyandGender)
Group work to prepare your stories

- You have already prepared your stories by filling in the country templates.

- Your country presentations focus on the different steps in the gender mainstreaming process.

- The purpose of the group work is to select which step you want to focus your story on, and then use the “tips” to make it even more compelling!
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Africa Renewable Energy & Access
Gender and Energy Program

COUNTRY XXX PRESENTATION
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## [Country] Program Update

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What worked well/ Not so well

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3 Lessons Learned

- Please list 3 lessons learned from integrating gender into energy programs in your country
What Guidance Do You Need?

- Please list 3 main areas for guidance that your program needs to move forward.
[Country] Pictures

Paste/Attach here any photos that capture the work you are engaged with on gender and energy. This can be photos from field visits or even a picture of book/report that is complete; a graph; or a workshop, etc.