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# **7 Dimensions:**

- 1. Gender specifics in the (single) corruptive transaction (proneness, delinquency, etc.)
- 2. Gender specific manifestations of corruption
  - 3. Gendered perception of corruption
- 4. Gender influence on measurement/evaluation
  - 5. Gendered impact of corruption
  - 6. Gender perspective in fighting corruption
- 7. Gender inequity as obstacle to fight cooruption



## **Conclusions:**

- Relatively recent issue of scholarship/academia
  - No real hard data, partly contradicting results
- Some papers being critized for being partly/overly sensational, zeitgeisty, or biased by donor-driven expectations
- Corruption as a most complex social phenomenon not open for mono-causal explanations
- International AC instruments do not cover an explicit gender dimension (yet or for good reasons?)
  - Way forward: cross-referencing and contextualizing with the notions of equity, equality, dignity, non-discrimination, participation, justice, development
    - Way forward: Human rights approach



Art 1 UN Declaration on Human Rights "All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights."

"All are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to equal protection of the law.

All are entitled to equal protection against any discrimination in violation of this Declaration and against any incitement to such discrimination."



#### **CoE Criminal Law Convention:**

"Corruption threatens the rule of law, democracy and human rights, undermines good governance, fairness and social justice, distorts competition, hinders economic development and endangers the stability of democratic institutions and the moral foundation of society."



## **Violation of specific HRs:**

- Principle of equality and non-discrimination
- Right to a fair trial and to an effective remedy
- Right of political participation
- Economic, social, and cultural rights
- Right to food, water, adequate housing
- Right to health (care)
- Right to education
- etc.



### **Constitutional Court of South Africa:**

"Corruption and maladministration are inconsistent with the rule of law and the fundamental values of our Constitution. They undermine the constitutional commitment to human dignity, the achievement of equality and the advancement of human rights and freedom. They are the antithesis of the open, accountable, democratic government required by the Constitution."

(S-African Ass. Of Insurance Lawyers v. Health)



















