

Côte d'Ivoire 2019 Family Code Reform — Equal Parental Authority, Inheritance and Minimum Marriage Age

Gender Equality · Good practice · Côte d'Ivoire

Quality score: 85/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Côte d'Ivoire's 2019 family law reform set the minimum marriage age at 18, granted equal parental authority, equalised marital property and protected widows' inheritance. By 2023, the OECD SIGI score fell from 42.8 to 17.3, placing Côte d'Ivoire top in Africa.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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