

## The Status of Women in the United Nations System and ITU

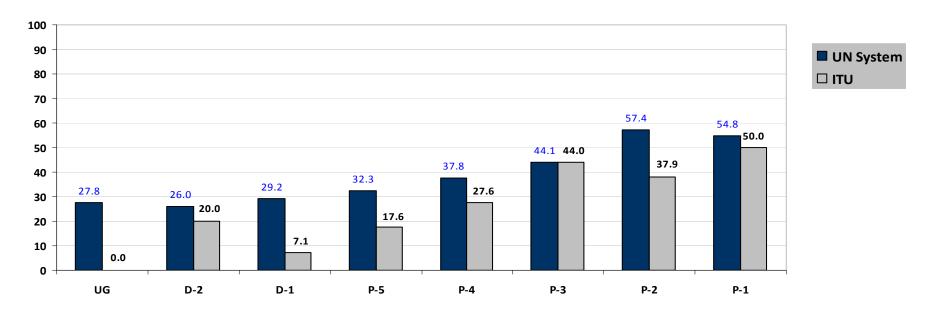
(from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009)

## THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

ITU

Gender distribution of staff in the Professional and higher categories

Percentage of women in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more in the United Nations system as of 31 December 2009 and ITU as of 31 December 2008



<sup>\*30</sup> of 31 entities submitted data

## As of 31 December 2009, women in the UN system constituted:

- **39.9%** (11,514 out of 28,849) of all staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more;
- **28.4%** (762 out of 2,685) of all staff at the **D-1 level and above**;
- **41.1%** (10,752 out of 26,164) of all staff at the **P level**;

Gender balance has only been achieved at the P-1 (54.8%) and P-2 (57.4%) levels.

<u>Largest increase:</u> UG (3.5% from 24.3% in Dec 2007 to 27.8% in Dec 2009)

Smallest increase: **P-3** (**0.6%** from 43.5% in Dec 2007 to 44.1% in Dec 2009)

As of 31 December 2009, women in ITU constituted:

NO DATA

for representation of women in 2009

Promotions, appointments, and separations in the Professional and higher categories – 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009

<sup>\*\*</sup>UG stands for "Ungraded" and combines the ranks of Secretary-General, Under-Secretary-General, Assistant Secretary-General, Director-General, Deputy Director-General and Assistant Director-General

## \* PROMOTIONS \* \* PROMOTIONS \* Promotions of women accounted for 44.8% (1,299 out of 2,899) of all promotions to the P-2 to D-1 levels, 31.2% (82 out of 263) to the D-1 level, NO DATA and **46.2%** (1,217 out of 2,636) to the **P-2** to **P-5 levels**. Gender parity in promotions was only met at the P-2 (51.5%) and P-3 (50.6%) levels. • Lowest proportion: 31.2% (82 out of 263) at the **D-1 level** \* APPOINTMENTS \* \* APPOINTMENTS \* • Appointments of women represented 45.2% (5,190 out of 11,493) of all appointments from the **P-1 to the ungraded (UG) levels, 26.4%** (130 out of NO DATA 493) at the **D-1 level and above**, and **46%** (5,064 out of 11,004) at the **P-1 to** P-5 levels. Gender parity in appointments was only met at the P-1 (64.2%) and P-2 level (60.3%). Lowest proportion: 26.3% (31 out of 118) at the **D-2** level \* SEPARATIONS \* \* SEPARATIONS \* • 6,516 staff in the professional and higher categories with appointments of one year or more separated out of a total of 28,849 staff. Separatons of women constituted: 40.2% (2,622 out of 6,516) of all NO DATA separations in the Professional and higher categories. o **24.5%** (153 out of 624) at the **D-1 level and above** o 41.9% (2,469 out of 5,892) at the Professional level (P-1 through P-5) **Major causes of separation**: Women constituted **42.9%** (1,592 out of 3,714) of appointments expirations, 41.4% (441 out of 1,066) of resignations, and 29.6% (273 out of 922) of mandatory retirements. Trends in the representation of women in the Professional and higher categories – 2000 to 2009 During the period 2000-2009 in the UN system, the proportion of women appointed increased by During the period 2000- 2008 in ITU, the proportion of women appointed increased by 14.9 **6.5 percentage points**, from **33.4%**(5,977 out of 17,864) in 2000 to **39.9%** (11,514 out of percentage points, from 23.0% (73 out of 317) in 2000 to 37.9% (88 out of 295) in 2008\*. 28,849) in 2009. % of women % of women Total change Average annual change % of women % of women Total change Average annual change 2000-2009 2000-2009 2000-2008 2000-2008 as of 31 Dec 2000 as of 31 Dec 2009 as of 31 Dec 2000 as of 31 Dec 2008 Level Level (percentage points) (percentage points) (percentage points) (percentage points) 17.4 27.8 10.4 1.2 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 UG JG 18.2 26.0 7.8 0.9 D-2 0.0 20.0 20.0 2.5 D-2 D-1 21.4 29.2 7.8 0.9 D-1 7.1 7.1 0.0 0.0 P-5 23.5 32.3 8.8 1.0 P-5 11.9 17.6 5.7 0.7 37.8 0.8 27.6 31.0 6.8 P-4 11.8 15.8 2.0 P-4 0.3 -0.2 0.0 41.4 44.1 2.7 P-3 44.3 44.0 P-3 54.5 57.4 2.9 0.3 45.7 37.9 -7.8 -1.0

36.4

50.0

13.6

1.7

-0.9

P-2

P-1

P-2

P-1

62.6

54.8

-7.8

<sup>\*</sup>Most recent data submitted by ITU is from 2008