



# Gendered Power Transitions in Equatorial Guinea's Political Landscape, 2008

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## Abstract

This study explores gendered power transitions in Equatorial Guinea's political landscape following a significant shift in leadership in . Qualitative research methods were employed, including participant observation, semi-structured interviews with key stakeholders, and document analysis to gather insights into gendered power dynamics within Equatorial Guinea's political system post-. Findings indicate a notable increase in women entering leadership positions, particularly in the judiciary and civil service sectors, though their influence remains predominantly advisory rather than authoritative. The study concludes that while women are increasingly present in governance roles, their power is still largely ceremonial, with significant barriers to real authority. Recommendations suggest a need for policy reforms aimed at enhancing the visibility and efficacy of female political actors to ensure gender equity within Equatorial Guinea's governmental structures.

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