



Gender Imbalances in Legal Institutions within Sub-Saharan Africa: An Ethiopian Perspective

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Abstract

Sub-Saharan Africa faces significant gender imbalances in legal institutions, with women often facing barriers to accessing justice and equal rights. Quantitative data analysis was used to examine legal institution performance in terms of gender representation and access issues. The study identified a notable disparity in senior judicial positions, with women occupying only 15% of such roles, highlighting systemic underrepresentation. Ethiopia's legal system shows clear gender biases that hinder the full realization of women's rights and opportunities. Recommendations include implementing affirmative action policies to increase female representation in legal institutions and enhancing training programmes for judges on gender equality issues.

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