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**Building Inclusive Institutions: Trade as a constructive tool
for women's economic empowerment**

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Trade is a constructive tool
when it promotes women's
economic empowerment.

Clarifying the terms

How can trade strengthen women's capacity to make strategic life choices in the economy — production, finance, social reproduction and care?

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- ⌘ Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals
- ⌘ Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Financing for Development Conference
- ⌘ Climate Change Conference of Parties

Context

Institutions; not just
policies

& We are probably familiar with
the CSW and the CPD.

AAAA has 3 follow-up
mechanisms.

& What are the infrastructure requirements for implementing the Beijing Platform for Action?

Global Infrastructure
Forum

& Trade-enabling projects under
the Global Infrastructure
Facility

& Type, design, participation

Global Infrastructure Forum

& How do we articulate the role of trade and trade policy so that technology for the SDGs is accessible, transferable, reproducible?

Technology Facilitation Mechanism

⌘ Reducing the likelihood of financial crisis and reforming the international financial architecture

⌘ Relationship with the CSW when there are overlapping interests

ECOSOC Forum on FfD

National and sub-national Considerations

- & Quantitative approaches to accommodate disaggregation
- & Mapping exercises to identify linkages between trade and women's economic empowerment

Analytical methods

- & Opening up the black box of technocratic policy making
- & Strengthening state capacity for consultations

Participatory methods

- & Collective action
- & Delegated power
- & Control but accompaniment
- & Partnership
- & Cooperation
- & Advice
- & Consultation
- & Informing
- & Co-option
- & Manipulation

Participatory methods

- ⌘ Preparing statistical systems to provide reliable and timely data
- ⌘ Learning how to use the data

Statistical Systems

& Universal Periodic Review and
Special Procedures of the HRC

& National human rights
institutions

Role of human rights
institutions

Debate the policies
Build institutions