GENDER EQUALITY IS SMART ECONOMICS

Women’s equality before the law — Not yet, not everywhere, but change is here.

More women work when legal restrictions are removed on the types of jobs they can do.

1.6 billion women live in economies with restrictions on the types of jobs they can do.

Women are more likely to have a bank account when the law establishes community property in marriage.

Income equality goes up when more legal incentives exist for women to work...

... increasing shared prosperity.

About the Women, Business and the Law Report Series:
Women, Business and the Law analyzes legal differences on the basis of gender in 143 economies, covering seven domain-specific areas by institutions, using property, getting a job; providing incentives to work, building credit, giving to court, and protecting women from violence.

Sources: World Bank/Gender Progress Index, 2010.