



OBSERVATORIES

GLOBAL NETWORK ON ELECTORAL JUSTICE

GAP

The GNEJ seeks to close the gap in international initiatives from a perspective of equal exercise of political-electoral rights, the independence of electoral judicial authorities, and the use of social media and new technologies during electoral processes.

AGREEMENT

At the Third Plenary Assembly of the GNEJ, held in 2019, it was agreed to create the Observatories on Gender Equality, Judicial Independence and Social Media.

The participants agreed that, together, they will be able to ensure that global electoral justice moves forward strategically.

RESULTS

Administer electoral justice with a gender equality perspective.

Strengthen the independence of the protectors of political-electoral rights.

Protect democratic rights and principles in the digital era.

ACTION

The Observatories will analyze the current context of the themes, issue periodic reports with best practices and recommendations, and calculate the impact of their actions with customized indicators.



OPERATIONAL BASES

BOARD

- Jurisdictional-electoral authority, who will preside the Board for three years.
- Scientific Leader, who represents the Scientific Committee of the GNEJ.
- At least one and up to four member institutions of the Advisory Council and international organizations specialized in the field of the observatory.
- Technical Secretariat of the GNEJ.
- First period: 2021-2023, with possible extension of the mandate.

ACTIVITIES

- Periodic meetings and reports with in-depth analysis, where the progress of the reported stage is recorded.
- Strategic spread of recommendations and findings.
- Consolidate the information requested from the members of the GNEJ.
- Collaborate with academics and professionals for the analytical tasks.

OBJECTIVES

EQUALITY

- Strengthen the electoral jurisdictional bodies' administration of electoral justice with a gender perspective.
- Identify the ideal conditions for an adequate administration of electoral justice with a gender perspective.
- Highlight issued rulings with a gender perspective and share the profiles and stories of people who have helped to promote equal female participation in the political-electoral sphere.

INDEPENDENCE

- Analyze internal and external factors that threaten the judicial independence of electoral judges, actively and constantly.
- Issue recommendations in favor of institutional changes that strengthen judicial independence and the Rule of law.
- Promote and evaluate compliance with international standards on electoral judicial independence.

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Analyze the technological factors that strengthen or threaten democratic principles and the exercise of political-electoral rights, in order to issue cutting-edge rulings.
- Issue recommendations in favor of institutional changes that strengthen the Rule of law and the protection of fundamental rights in the digital era.
- Monitor and evaluate compliance with the issued recommendations and international standards.