Block I: Our contribution to the reduction of fragility
Block II: Who do we partner with? Working with state and civil society

Tuesday 31 May, 11-12:30 (part I), 15:00-16:30 (part II)

Workshop description	
Title	**Gender, fragility & politics (part I and II)**
Focus and Key questions	Focus is on the integration of gender in PSG1 'legitimate politics' - which is essentially contributing to SDG 16 - and deals with representation, participation and (local) governance processes. In fragile contexts, women often have very limited access to state institution and their relationship to these is often mediated through family, community or customary institutions. As a result, women are underrepresented in local politics and their needs and rights are not well reflected governance processes. This workshop wants to reflect on key gender issues in local governance, decentralization and political participation. Key questions are: - What are your experiences in integrating gender in local governance programs? - How women's representation and participation in political decision-making, can be strengthened? (part II) - How do these approaches contribute to the reduction of fragility and (local) conflict resolution? **Part I: Gender in local governance and decentralization** focuses on gender aspects in processes local governance and decentralization (Tuesday 31.5., 11-12.30) **Part II**: **Women's political participation** focuses on women's representation and participation in local governance structures (Tuesday 31.5., 15-16.30)
Examples and resource persons from the field (tbc)	Part I: - Mozambique: Gender aspects regarding accountability and decentralization (Mauricio Sulila) - Ukraine: DESPRO (Decentralization of public services)(Ludmyla Nestrylay) - Cambodia: Subnational Democratic Development Reform (Rahel Bösch/ Muong Channisay) Part II: - Benin: political participation of women in local municipalities (Blandine Codija Agassou) - Tunisia: women's participation in national elections (Said Zekri) - Bangladesh: women's political participation at local level (Sabina Yasmin Lubna)
Responsibility	Eveline Stettler/ Annonciata Ndikumasabo
Workshop procedure	Project resource persons provide short inputs on key learnings in their programs Participants develop key messages on how to promote gender –

	inclusive politics and gender-responsive local governance in group work
Workshop outcome	We have an overview of experiences on key gender issues and the relevant fields and topics regarding our work on local governance, decentralization and women's political participation.