

Abstract

The topic of this thesis is a gender inequality in Kenya. The main goal is to identify a Kenya's position within the East African Community in terms of gender inequality. The position is identified through descriptive comparison of gender indexes and other indicators, and furthermore through their achieved results within the Millennium Development Goals, particularly those focused on gender issues. Another comparison is held among the member states of East African Community on the basis of government's approach towards such issues. Second goal of the thesis is to analyse the gender inequality in Kenya. Specifically the main causes and factors which influence the inequality in Kenya. It is important as the causes and factors of such inequality have negative effect on the relation between socio-economic growth and decreasing gender inequality. In other words, the thesis analyses the gender inequality on two levels – "external" (international comparison) and "internal" (discussion of the conditionality of gender inequality in Kenya).

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