Action, all CIDA programs and projects must specify the role of women as agents and beneficiaries of development cooperation.

A unique process developed at CIDA ensures that women are integrated into all development programs and projects. In fact, Canada's WID implementation model is being cited and adopted in other development organizations.

Canada continues to make consistent efforts to introduce women in development as a legitimate issue in assessing development effectiveness. Canada has pursued this approach in the Development Assistance Committee of the OECD, in the Commonwealth, in la Francophonie and in numerous multilateral organizations. As an example of this multilateral approach, Canada, in cooperation with the World Health Organization and the Pan-American Health Organization, plays an active role in Women, Health and Development, which recognizes the complex interrelationships between the health of women and their social, political, cultural and economic situations.

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