The MOWIP methodology is a comprehensive guidance document designed to be used by TPCCs who are interested in implementing a MOWIP assessment and assessment teams selected to do so. It contains seven sections providing:

1. Background information on the Elsie Initiative
2. An overview of the MOWIP methodology
3. A thorough explanation of how to conduct the methodology from start to finish
4. Detailed instructions on how to analyse the data collected
5. Guidelines and a template for writing the MOWIP report and developing recommendations
6. Guidance on the validation process of the MOWIP report; and
7. Further resources on the topic of women in peace operations.

We strongly recommend any interested TPCC to read the full methodology document prior to applying to the Elsie Initiative Fund.

https://www.dcaf.ch/mowip-methodology

The MOWIP toolbox provides all data collection tools, templates and explainers necessary for conducting a MOWIP assessment using the MOWIP methodology. All the tools are downloadable on the webpage. Templates and explainers are living documents that the team may update if necessary.

https://www.dcaf.ch/mowip

20-30 minute YouTube videos presenting the MOWIP methodology are available online. Note that while the videos are useful resources to get a short overview of the methodology and what it entails, they do not provide a comprehensive understanding of the level of technicality required to implement the MOWIP methodology.

We strongly recommend any interested TPCC to read the full methodology document prior to taking the decision to undertake a MOWIP assessment and prior to applying for support from the Elsie Initiative Fund for a barrier assessment.

English video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rnH-Omep8zU
French video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RY451foqZ5Y
Spanish video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=13u-Og42-jY

Information about the Elsie Initiative Fund and how to apply can be accessed on their website: https://elsiefund.org/
The DCAF MOWIP Helpdesk can be reached by email at elsie@dcaf.ch
The Ghana Armed Forces MOWIP report is the first MOWIP report publicly released in 2020. The assessment was conducted using the MOWIP methodology in partnership with the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC). The report is available in English at: https://www.dcaf.ch/ghana-armed-forces-mowip-report-2020

The Uruguay Armed Forces MOWIP report was publicly released in June 2021. The assessment was conducted using the MOWIP methodology in partnership with Red de Seguridad y Defensa de América Latina (RESDAL). The report is available in English and Spanish at: https://www.dcaf.ch/uruguay-armed-forces-mowip-report-2020

The Senegal National Police and National Gendarmerie MOWIP report was publicly released in March 2022. The assessment was conducted using the MOWIP methodology in partnership with the Centre des Hautes Études de Défense et de Sécurité (CHEDS). The report is available in English and French at: https://www.dcaf.ch/senegal-police-gendarmerie-mowip-report-2021

The Uruguay National Police MOWIP report was publicly released in May 2022. The assessment was conducted using the MOWIP methodology in partnership with Red de Seguridad y Defensa de América Latina (RESDAL). The report is available in Spanish (English version forthcoming) at: https://www.dcaf.ch/uruguay-police-mowip-report-2021

The Zambia Police Service MOWIP report was publicly released in June 2022. The assessment was conducted using the MOWIP methodology in partnership with the Southern African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (SACCORD). The report is available in English at: https://www.dcaf.ch/zambia-police-mowip-report-2021

The Zambia Police Force (ZPS) is the first security institution to have finalized a MOWIP assessment. This four-pager presents the key takeaways, with lessons learned and good practices, drawn from all the implementation phases of the MOWIP methodology in the Zambia Police Force, in partnership with SACCORD.

The four-pager is available in English at: https://www.dcaf.ch/implementing-mowip-barrier-assessment-methodology-zambia-police-service

Through fictional characters’ stories, the "Sarah’s Story" video highlights how barriers to women’s meaningful participation can play out across a uniformed woman’s career course. It presents preliminary findings and recommendations from MOWIP assessments conducted in four pilot countries and five security institutions.

The video is available in English, French and Spanish at: https://www.dcaf.ch/sarahs-story
Released in 2022, the Global MOWIP Report, titled "Fit-for-the-Future Peace Operations: Advancing Gender Equality to Achieve Long-term and Sustainable Peace", presents consolidated MOWIP data from four troop- and police-contributing countries and six security institutions, with a focus on actionable recommendations for international peacekeeping policy and practice.

It aims to contribute to a growing evidence base that reveals how gender equality is central to fit-for-the-future peace operations.

The report is available in English and French (more languages forthcoming) at: https://dcaf.ch/global-mowip-report-2022

The Opportunities for Women in Peacekeeping: Policy Series addresses salient issue areas in MOWIP assessments that emerge as barriers, or opportunities (or both) to women in peacekeeping. It aims to introduce new narratives, based on fresh evidence and research findings across MOWIP data, that identify clear ways forward for key policy actors.

The Policy Series comprises seven policy briefs:

- The Duty of Caring
- Caring for Carers in International Organisations
- Old Expectations, New Challenges: What we look for in a Peacekeeper and why it matters
- Organizational Culture Reboot
- Action and Accountability: the MOWIP Methodology as a Tool for Equality
- Saving the World, One Gender Training at a Time
- Peace Operations Still Exclude Women, but A4P+ Can Change That

The Policy Series is available in English (more languages forthcoming) at: https://www.dcaf.ch/mowip-policy-series

The baseline study, published in 2018, describes the situation as concerns women’s participation in military and police roles in UN peacekeeping operations. It documents international good practice to increase meaningful participation and identify challenges and barriers to the recruitment, training, retention, deployment and promotion of uniformed women in peacekeeping operations.

The baseline study laid the ground for the development of the MOWIP methodology.

https://www.dcaf.ch/elsie-initiative-women-peace-operations-baseline-study

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