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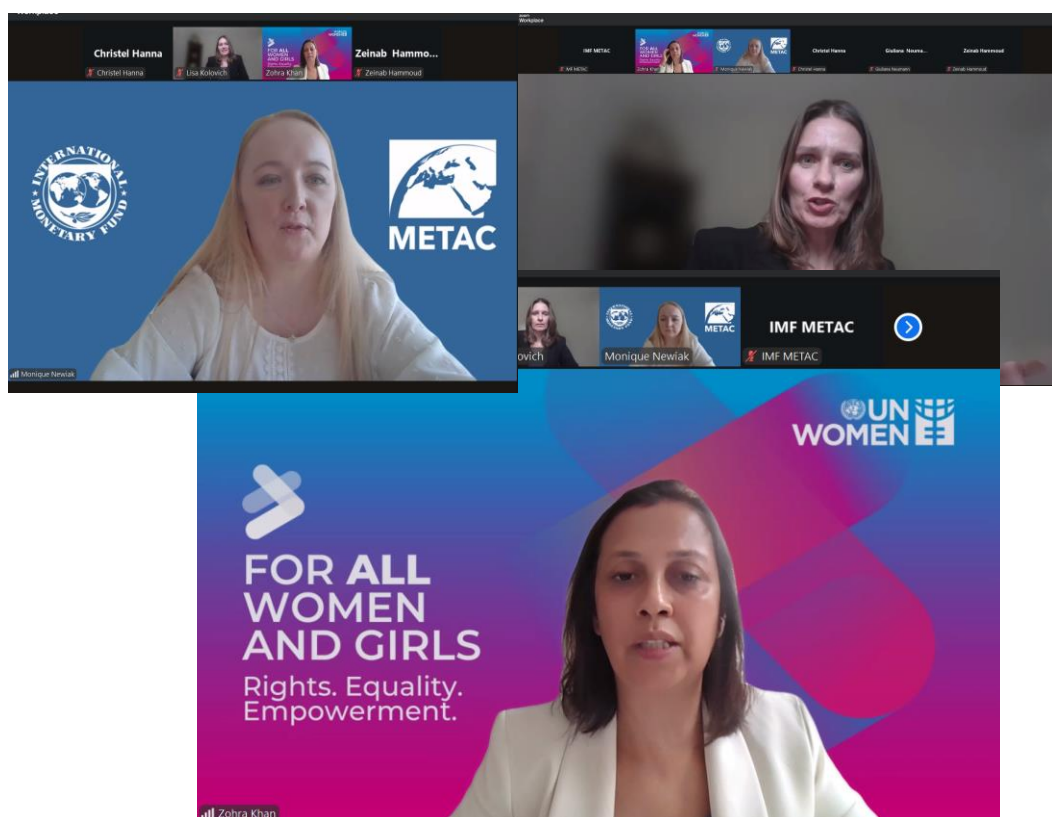
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Unlocking Economic Potential: Women's Empowerment as a Driver of Growth – Evidence from Morocco 30 September 2025



Morocco provides proof of how women economic participation contributes to growth. Expanding women's participation is not just about fairness, it drives productivity, resilience, and inclusive growth. In METAC's latest webinar on gender equality, IMF's Lisa Kolovich and UN-Women's Zohra Khan showed how gender-responsive budgeting and policies boost women's participation and fuel growth. They explained how Morocco institutionalized gender-responsive budgeting over two decades, embedding it in law, training, and sectoral analysis to align resources with gender equality goals.

The Q&A focused on replicating Morocco's reforms across the region and emphasized the need for stronger data to guide decisions throughout the region.