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ABSTRACT

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Trade represents an important development factor for a small open economy such as Georgia, with the trade-to-GDP ratio exceeding 100%. Hence, gender equality issues in trade become important with the view of addressing the issues of welfare and equality.

The methodological approach used in the paper follows the conceptual framework on gender aspects in trade adopted by UNCTAD, UNECE and UNECA. It represents the first attempt to study gender equality in trade in Georgia using available business statistics microdata for trading companies (exporters, importers and two-way traders).

Firstly, gender differences in trade are analyzed through mapping trade data to the available business statistics indicators for the exporting sectors. More comprehensive microdata analysis is further used in order to derive indicators of gender equality in trade as well as to show the limitations to the sectoral approach.