

### **Gender Equality in Singapore: An Action Plan for Progress**

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# **INSTITUTIONAL HARASSMENT**

And what we can do about it.



#### WORKPLACE SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN SINGAPORE



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## 1000 Singaporeans and PRs

### Harassment Situations

Pictures, jokes, texts or gestures of a sexual or sexist nature

Alarming or offensive remarks or questions about their appearance, body or sexual activity Crude and distressing remarks, jokes or gestures of a sexual or sexist nature Unwanted physical contact, attempts to initiate romantic or sexual relationships, implications that career prospects were tied to sexual favours

# 2 in 5 Experience Sexual Harassment in the Workplace

Mostly from a peer or a senior person in the workplace





Of those reporting experienced negative responses

**1 in 5** Perpetrators faced zero consequences

#### FOUR KEY ISSUES

- » Lack of awareness
- » Lack of capacity within organisations
- » Lack of external authority
- » Safety when reporting

#### NATIONAL LEGISLATION

### Define

Define workplace harassment

# Legal Obligation

Place a legal obligation on employers to prevent and manage workplace harassment

### Enforcement

Create a liability for employers for failing to prevent or properly address sexual harassment

### Protection

For victims of workplace harassment

## Inform & Educate

Collect and disseminate data on workplace harassment

# Thank you

