The (in)visibility of gender in Scandinavian climate policy making

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The lunch seminar on 4 December will focus on a recent study using gender perspective to analyze climate policy-making in Scandinavia. Very welcome!

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This lunch talk takes a starting point in a recent article where I use a gender perspective to analyze climate policy-making in Scandinavia. The result of that study is that women and men are equally represented in administrative and political units involved in climate policymaking, and even though sometimes women are in the majority this is not visible in climate strategies.

A text analysis of the output, that is, the Scandinavian climate strategies, reveals a silence regarding gender, further confirmed through interviews.

I go on to discuss why this is a problem? Why is it important to take a gender perspective in climate policy making? What does gender have to do with climate governance?

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