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> dramatic shifts in gender-related social norms and expectations both from the state and the domestic population, affording certain women the opportunity to enter the political arena, while leaving others

behind. The research presented here expands the discussion of women

in rentier political economy and highlights their roles as participants and agents within regional templates for economic development.