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Summing up and Looking forward

- 1. What have we learnt?**
- 2. Where are the knowledge gaps and what are the burning issues?**
- 3. Moving forward**



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What do we know and what have we learnt?

- *Women's empowerment « economic, social and political » and gender equality: drivers for economic growth, business and progress*
- *Exists a divide between high, middle and low income countries, within countries and among cultures*
- *Power of definitions, data, statistics and measurement*
- *The hidden hurdles to gender equality*



Knowledge gaps and burning issues

- *Innovation (technological and social) as driver for change: e.g. WEB 2.0 technologies and re-inventing symbolic traditions*
- *Bringing data and statistics to the people*
- *Incentives for change: What works and what does not in different environments and at different levels?*
- *Peer-review learning: national and local level, sharing experiences*



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Moving forward

- *Working further on the three « I's »: information, innovation and institutional change*
- *Documenting, disseminating and debating success and failures of policies and instruments*
- *Broadening the debate: topics, disciplines and actors*
- *Build an informal network of people interested in gender equality and progress in societies: « MPGE-network »*



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Moving forward

- *Working towards on a common understanding on how culture and gender equality intersect*
- *UNESCO and OECD Development Centre - together with partners - developing indicators for social change*