



Women actors of development for the global challenges

Celebrating a century of action and heading towards 2015

How to celebrate a century of action for the assertion of women? Which are the main challenges facing women at 2015? How to strengthen political participation, the implementation of human rights, and the respect of ethics for all women? How to guarantee the access to information and knowledge for all? How to recognize and enhance women's competences? How to advance creativity, education, training, and e-Learning for all? How to address the role of women in the new cyber-world? How to take into account cultural and linguistic diversities in the global knowledge economy? How to manage health and «add life to the years», as suggested by Joel de Rosnay? Millennia 2015 will lead these thoughts from local to global, by engaging the regional and interregional systems, as well as the international, European and world networks of Internet governance, of foresight, and women's rights activists.

Enhance the driving force of the women for the benefit of humanity as a whole

By addressing these questions, the main message of Millennia 2015 will be to enhance the driving force of women in the contemporary society, in order to increase their potential, to encourage their investment, and to wholly recognize their responsibility in the technological development for the benefit of humanity as a whole. Millennia 2015 will explore the means leading towards increased equality and solidarity, in a context of respect for cultural and linguistic diversity as well as sustainable development. The involvement of women is crucial in order to bridge the social gaps by benefiting from the opportunities created by the information society. The grounds for action addressed by the speakers of Millennia 2015, in private as well as public sector, are in particular: educa-

tion, employment and entrepreneurship, environment and health, information and communication, rights and citizenship, culture and innovation.

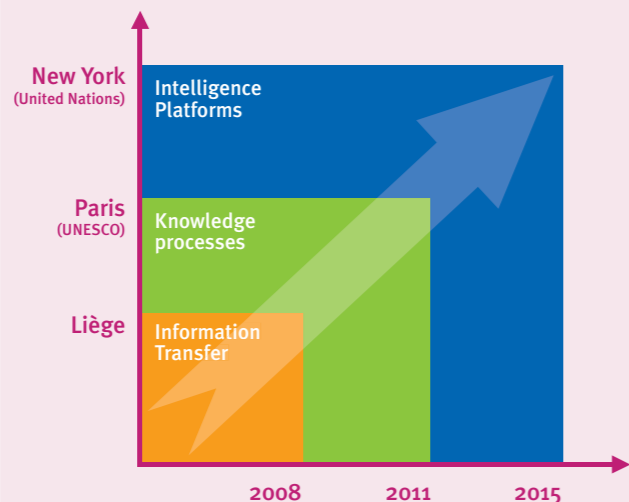
Foresight as method and information society as context

Millennia 2015 will use foresight in the context of the information society to develop a positive vision of the future envisioned by women for the entire world. The Millennia 2015 process will be developed through three international conferences. The first phase, organized in 2008 in Liège, is focused on Information Transfers: exchange, collection, and analysis of data in order to assess the current situation and to propose a synopsis of the challenges. The second session (work on the Knowledge Processes) is planned to be held in 2011 in Paris (at UNESCO), and the third (construction of Intelligence Platforms) in 2015 in New York (at the United Nations).

Networking interaction and memorandum to decision makers

Celebrating a century of action and firmly focused towards the future, the international conference 2008 will be organized in plenary sessions and workshops. The speakers will present the subjects by considering the possible and desirable futures for 2015, in order to produce a memorandum which will be forwarded to decision makers at all levels. During the conference, an interactive exhibit and several informative sessions will be organized at the Liège Convention Centre, allowing the participants to present their achievements and develop networks. Simultaneous English-French translation will be ensured during the entire conference, which will be recorded for the production of a DVD-book and podcasts to be published on the website <http://www.millennia2015.org>.

Process of Millennia 2015



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- I subscribe to the conference from Friday 7 to Saturday 8 March 2008 in Liège (60€)
 I will participate in the conference on Friday 7 March (35€)
 I will participate in the conference on Saturday 8 March (35€)

I subscribe to the following parallel workshops:
7 March: Workshop 1 Workshop 2 Workshop 3
8 March: Workshop 4 Workshop 5 Workshop 6

- I will participate in the Friday 7 March meetings (17-19h00):
 Chapters of the Internet Society
 French-speaking Women Council of Belgium (CFFB) and CFFB Wallonia Synergy
 Millennium Project Nodes
 Women Millennium Development Ambassadors Program

I subscribe to the activity (+ dinner) proposed by FAR (Active Women in network) in Liège, on Friday 7 March (19h00 - 21h00):
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Information and accommodation

<http://www.millennia2015/>
- Section «The conference»

Organization of the conférence

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Programme

Thursday, March 6, 2008

18h00 Welcoming reception meeting of the Scientific Committee and the speakers

Friday, March 7, 2008

8h30 Welcome

9h00 **Opening plenary**

Introduction: Women as actors of development for the global challenges

Marie-Anne Delahaut, Director of research at The Destree Institute, head of the Information Society Unit; Member of the Brussels Area Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of United Nations Associations; President of the Chapter Wallonia of the Internet Society (ISOC Belgium - Wallonia); Member of the board of the Wallonia Synergy of the French-speaking Women Council of Belgium; *Namur, Wallonia*
Theodore J. Gordon, Senior Fellow, Projet Millennium de la Fédération mondiale des Associations pour les Nations Unies (WFUNA); *Washington, USA*
Viviane Reding (by videoconference), European Commissioner for the Information Society and the Media; *Brussels - Luxembourg*
Pera Wells, Secretary-General of the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA); *New York, USA*

10h00 **Access to information and knowledge: enhancing capacities for women**

Introduction and monitoring:

Eleonora Masini, Professor Emeritus of Futures Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Gregorian University, Rome; Chair of the Italy Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Rome, Italy*

Speakers:

Corinna Cortes, Head, Google Research New York; Google Labs; *New York, USA*
Barbara Etoa, Editorial journalist, Advanced School of Mass Communication (ESSTI); Editorial Director at the Cameroun Radio and Television Broadcasting; *Yaoundé, Cameroun*
Agnès Hubert, Adviser to the President of the European Commission Manuel Barroso, in charge of Gender Issues, Fundamental Rights, Employment and Social policies, Internal/External Coherence, Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA); *Brussels*

11h00 Discussions

11h15 Break

11h45 **Second plenary session**

The long-term challenges for women assessed by the Millennium Project

Introduction and monitoring:

Rosa Alegria, Futurist, Chair of the Brazil Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA) Catholic Pontifical University of São Paulo; *São Paulo, Brazil*

Jerome C. Glenn (by videoconference), Director, Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Washington, DC, USA*

Speakers:

Elizabeth Florescu, Director of research, Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Washington, DC, USA*
Nadezhda Gaponenko, Head of Department, Center of Science Development Study, Russian Academy of Sciences; Chair of the Russian Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Moscow, Russia*
Concepción Olavarrieta, President of the Global Millennium Prize; Chair of the Mexico Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Mexico, Mexico*

12h45 Discussions

13h00 Lunch

14h00 **Parallel workshops**

A 1- Women and sustainable development

Introduction and monitoring:

Ying Bai, Director, R&D Department, The Future 500 (China); Vice President, Beijing Academy of Soft Technology; Member of the Society of Competitive Intelligence of China; *Beijing, China*

Speakers:

Patricia Ave Aquah, Lecturer, Faculty of Education, University of Calabar, Cross River State, Nigeria; Deputy Country Coordinator, Teachers Without Borders - Nigeria; Responsible for the Women Millennium Development Ambassadors Program; *Calabar, Cross River State, Nigeria*
Thais Corral, Executive Director and Founder, REDEH-The Network for Human Development; Vice President, Women's Environmental and Development Organization, Rio de Janeiro - Cemina - Rede de Mulheres no Rádio; *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*
Augustina Eniayeju, Associate Professor, Department of Science, Technology and Mathematics Education, Faculty of Education, Nasarawa State University; Responsible for the Women Millennium Development Ambassadors Program; *Keffi, Nasarawa State, Nigeria*
Hazel Henderson (by videoconference), Author, futurist, environmental and media activist; *St. Augustine, FL, USA*
Maliha Salehi, Founder of an association aimed to strengthen Women rights and to stop violence against women in Afghanistan, *Kaboul, Afghanistan*

15h45 Discussions and conclusions

14h00 **A 2 - Enhancing women's rights, ethics, gender equality and political empowerment**

Introduction and monitoring:

Ivana Milojević, Director of research, Metafuture.org; Research associate and lecturer, The University of the Sunshine Coast; Associate, Prout College (Progressive Utilization Theory); *Queensland, Australia*

Speakers:

Bérangère Marques-Pereira, Professor of political science, Université libre de Bruxelles; Director of the Center of Political Sociology and of the Latin-American Studies Group of the Institute of Sociology of the l'ULB; *Brussels*
Colette Mfaram-Ndio, Master in Civil Law; Administration executive at the Main office of the Customs of the Airport of Yaoundé-Nsimalen; Activist of several associations for women's rights protection; *Yaoundé, Cameroun*

Fatimata Seye Sylla, Consultant; President of the NGO Bokk Jang Bokk Jeff and national coordinator of ACSIS - Senegal; *Dakar, Sénégal*

Sawsan Sadek, Doctor of Sciences, Lecturer and researcher at the Libanaise University in the domain of ICT; *Chehim, Liban*

Simone Susskind, President of the «Actions in the Mediterranean»; Founder of «Women and societies in transition», coordinated by Amazone; Member of the Executive Committee of the International Women's Commission for a Just and Sustainable Palestinian-Israeli Peace (IWC); Vice-president of the Music Fund; Doctor Honoris Causa of the Université libre de Bruxelles; *Brussels*

15h45 Discussions and conclusions

14h00 **A 3 - Women entrepreneurship and new participative competences**

Introduction and monitoring:

Kristin Engvig, Social entrepreneur, Founder and director of WIN, Women's International Networking; *Norway*

Speakers:

Kidi Bebey, RFI, emission "Reines d'Afrique" (Queen of Africa); member of the international jury and spoke-person of the contest African Scenarios associated with the international Day of AIDS; *Paris, France*
Elizabeth Carvalho, Brazilian journalist, editor for MILENIO, TV GLOBO; *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*
Jeanne Meng-Miakolo, Teacher of Science of Education; Provincial Delegate to the Ministry of Tourism; Founder President of the NGO Cameroon Association for Education to the service of women and children; Participant in the evaluation of the Beijing and New York conferences; *Yaoundé, Cameroun*
Bénédicte Philippart de Foy, Consultant and coordinator of the network FAR, Femmes actives en Réseau; *Liège, Wallonia*
Jocelyn Pierre, Lawyer, economist and sociologist; Research engineer at the French Ministry of Culture and Communications; *Paris, France*

15h45 Discussions and conclusions

16h30 Break

17h00 **Special meetings and interactive exhibits**

Chapters of the Internet Society:

Chairman: **Christopher Wilkinson**, Chairman of ISOC-ECC, member of the Board of ISOC Belgium - Wallonia and Honorary Director of the European Commission;

French-speaking Women Council of Belgium (CFFB) and CFFB Wallonia Synergy:

Chairwomen: **Magdeleine Willame-Boonen** and **Anne-Marie Lizin**;

Millennium Project Nodes:

Chairman: **Philippe Destatte**, President of the Brussels Area Node of the WFUNA Millennium Project and Director general of The Destree Institute;

Women Millennium Development Ambassadors Program:

Chairwomen: **Patricia Ave Aquah** and **Augustina Eniayeju**.

Saturday, March 8, 2008

8h30 Welcome

9h00 **Third plenary session**

Introduction: 100th anniversary of the International Women Day

Magdeleine Willame-Boonen, President of the French-speaking Women Council of Belgium (CFFB); Honorary Senator; *Brussels*

9h15 **Cultural and linguistic diversity, women and the governance of the Internet**

Introduction and monitoring:

Delphine Nana-Mekounte, President of ACSIS (African Civil Society on the Information Society); General Director of CEFEP/ROD/ECOSOC (Centre féminin pour la Promotion du Développement, Conseil économique et social des Nations Unies); Distinguished Member of the Global Alliance for ICT and Development (GAID); delegate of Cameroon to Beijing Conference in 1995; *Yaoundé, Cameroun*

Intervenants:

Hind Almualla, Head of Innovation, Knowledge and Human Development Authority, Government of Dubai; Chair of the United Arab Emirates Node, Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Dubai, United Arab Emirates*
Marie Arena, Minister-president of the Government of the French Community of Wallonia – Brussels; *Binche, Wallonia*
Anne-Rachel Inné, International Consultant; Responsible of the contact with Africa for the ICANN; *Republic of Niger*
Chengetai Masango, Programme and Technology Manager in the Internet Governance Forum Secretariat (IGF), working to support the United Nations Secretary-General in carrying out the mandate from the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS); *Geneva, Switzerland*
Pietro Sicuro, Director of the Institut of the Cyber-Francophonie of the International Organisation of the Francophonie; *Paris, France*

10h45 Discussions

11h00 Break

11h30 **Parallel workshops**

A 4 - Education, research, training, and e-learning

Introduction and monitoring:

Marianne Poumay, Lecturer, Liège University; Director of the Laboratory of Support for Tele-Teaching; (LabSET); In charge of the E-learning system of the ULg and of the program Complementary Master in Pedagogy for Higher education (Formasup); *Liège, Wallonia*

Intervenants:

Richard Delmas, Principal administrator, European Commission, Information Society and Media Directorate-General; *Brussels*
Laila Kjiri, Teaching researcher at the National School of Computer Sciences and System Analyses (ENSIAS), MohammedV Souissi University, Rabat, Morocco; Member of MISOC (Moroccan Internet Society); *Rabat, Morocco*
Lhamotso, Co-founder, development program director, Shem Women's Group, dedicated to Empowering Tibetan women; *Xining City, Qinghai Province, China*

Rosette Nyamuyenzi, Bank agent at the Burundi National Banque (BRB); Finalizing education at the Faculty of Computer sciences of the University of Great Lakes; *Bujumbura, Burundi*

Françoise Thibault, Co-director of the programs Tématique et e-pathie; - House of Human Sciences Foundation (Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme (FMSH)); Scientific adviser for the Human and Social Sciences department of the Ministry of Higher Education and of Research; *Paris, France*

12h45 Discussions and conclusions

11h30 **A 5 - Adding life to the years, science and technology benefiting women**

Introduction and monitoring:

Elizabeth Florescu, Director of research, Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Washington, DC, USA*

Speakers

Cécile Méadel, Center of sociology of innovation, affiliated to CNRS (UMR 7185), School of mines, Paris; *Paris, France*
Cristina Puentes-Markides, Health policy advisor, Pan American Health Organization, Regional Office of the World Health Organization, Washington DC. Member of the Planning Committee of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Washington DC, USA*;
Luiza Spiru, Executive Vice-president of Ana Aslan, International Academy of Aging; President of the Ana Aslan International Foundation; Head of the Geriatric and Geronto-Psychiatry Department to "Elias" University Hospital in Bucharest; *Bucarest, Romania*
Vanessa Watkins, Cultural Scientist and Foresight Consultant, Z_punkt, The Foresight Company; *Essen, Germany*

12h45 Discussions and conclusions

11h30 **A 6 - Towards a knowledge society: creativity, cultures and media**

Introduction and monitoring:

Jan Lee Martin, VVice-chair of the Australasia Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); Founder and first president of the Futures Foundation; *Sydney, Australia*

Intervenants:

Christina Carvalho Pinto, President of Full Jazz Communications Group, the strongest Latin American voice for the reinvention of media role towards a more constructive direction. She is partner of Hazel Henderson and leads the Ethical Markets media platform in Latin America; *São Paulo, Brazil*
Aroha Crowchild, Co-founder and artistic director of the Red Thunder Native Dance Theatre of Canada, and worked with the Kahurangi Maori Dance Company of New Zealand; *Calgary, Alberta, Canada*
Shihong Han, President, Meridian SUN Company Ltd; Chairman of the board, Beijing Ronghao Culture Development; *Beijing, China*
Starhawk, American writer, theorist of paganism and ecofeminism; Activist in the pacifist movement, the feminist movement, the ecologist movement, and the altermondialist movement; *San Francisco, CA, USA*
Serge Weber, Maître de conférence, Université de Paris-Est, TIC - Migrations; *Paris, France*

12h45 Discussions and conclusions

13h00 Lunch

14h00 **Closing plenary Session**

Reports of the Workshops

Monitor:

Marie-Anne Delahaut

Speakers

(10 minutes by intervention)

- Women and sustainable development: **Ying Bai**
- Enhancing women's rights, ethics, gender equality and political empowerment: **Ivana Milojevi**
- Women entrepreneurship and new participative competences: **Elizabeth Carvalho**
- Education, research, training, and e-learning: **Marianne Poumay**
- Adding life to the years, science and technology benefiting women: **Elizabeth Florescu**
- Towards a knowledge society: creativity, cultures and media: **Jan Lee Martin**

15h00 Discussions

15h15 Break

15h30 **Women actors of development and change, Women architects of the future**

Introduction and monitoring:

Anne-Marie Lizin, Senator (Senate of Belgium), Quaestor, Former president of Federal Belgian Senate (2004-2007); Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE); President of the Wallonia Synergy of the Council of Francophone Women of Belgium (CFFB); *Huy, Wallonia*

Intervenants:

Didier Donfut, Minister of Health, Social Action and Equal Opportunities, Wallonia Regional government; *Namur, Wallonia*
Joan Dzenowagis, Senior Scientist, Facts and information for policies, World Health Organization; *Geneva, Switzerland*
Zhouying Jin, Senior Researcher and Professor, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS); President and founder of the Beijing Academy of Soft Technology; President and founder of Future 500 China; Co-Chair of the China Node of the Millennium Project of the World Federation of UN Associations (WFUNA); *Beijing, China*
Pera Wells, Secretary-General of the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA); *New York, USA*

16h45 Discussions

17h00 **Overall Conclusions and the memorandum**

Françoise Massit-Folléa, President of the Scientific Committee of Millennia 2015; Professor of Information and Communication Sciences, Higher education school, Literature and social sciences (ENS-LSH), Lyon, C2SO Laboratory; Scientific Coordinator of the program Vox Internet, Home of Human Sciences Foundation, Paris; *Paris, France*

17.30 Closing

17h45 Cocktail for 100th anniversary of the International Women Day and Closing of the first session of Millennia 2015