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**Women, actors of development for the global challenges**  
Foresight research process and International Conferences  
Liège 2008 - Paris 2011 - New York 2015

Launch of the international conference  
**Millennia 2015, A plan of action for the  
empowerment of women**

organized at the end of 2011 by  
the Division for Gender Equality,  
Office of the Director-General of the UNESCO  
and The Destree Institute, Millennia 2015



UNESCO, Paris, 08.12.2010



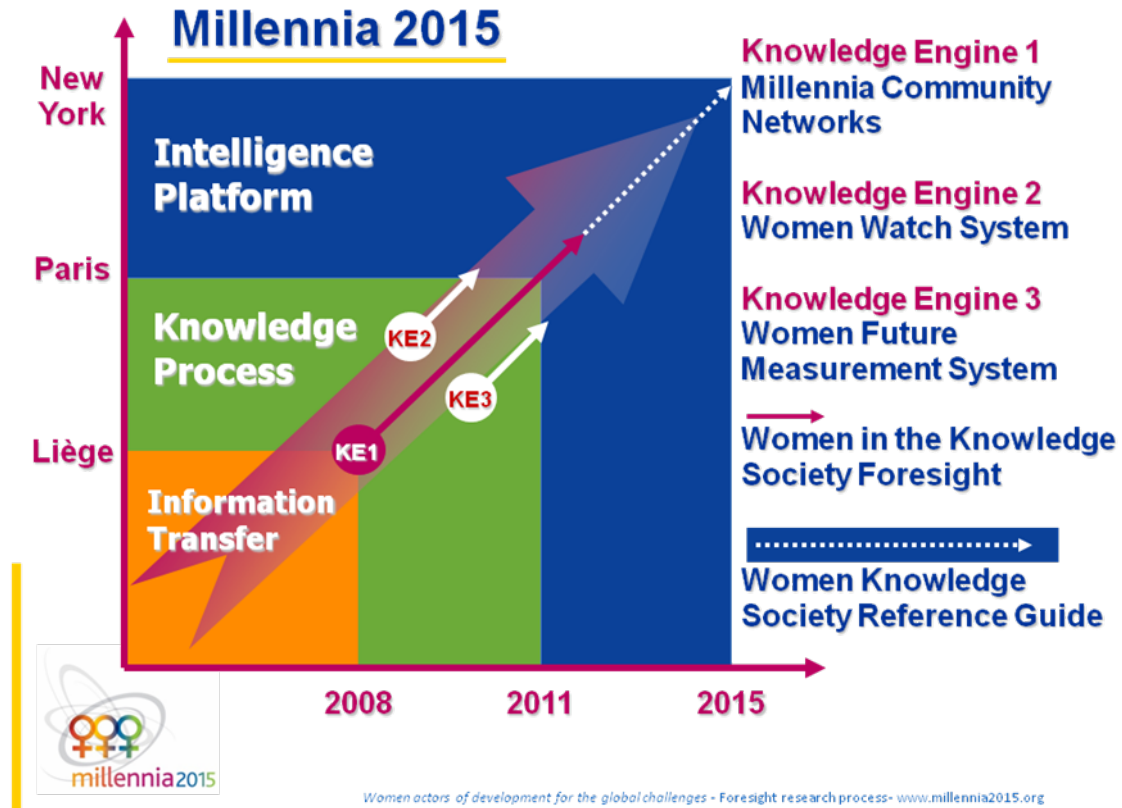
## Millennia2015, "Women, actors of development for the global challenges"

- organized under the high patronage of the UNESCO, with the support of the International Organization of la Francophonie;
- foresight research process launched by The Destree Institute and its international partners in 2007;
- structured through three international conferences: "Information Transfer" (IT) in Liege in 2008, "Knowledge Process" (KP) at the UNESCO in Paris in 2011 and "Intelligence Platform" (IP) at the United Nations in New York in 2015

[www.millennia2015.org/Method](http://www.millennia2015.org/Method).



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## The goals of Millennia2015

- foresight as a method and the information society as context, in solidarity and interaction;
- the whole participation of women and men from all over the world in building fairer and more ethic futures based on the respect of human rights and diversities, as well as on sustainable development.
- examination of futures issues that will have a strong influence on women's life in the knowledge society in every country and their responsibilities with regards to their evolution at a global level.
- Presentation of Millennia2015: [www.millennia2015.org/Goals](http://www.millennia2015.org/Goals) in 5 languages : French, English, Spanish, German, Italian



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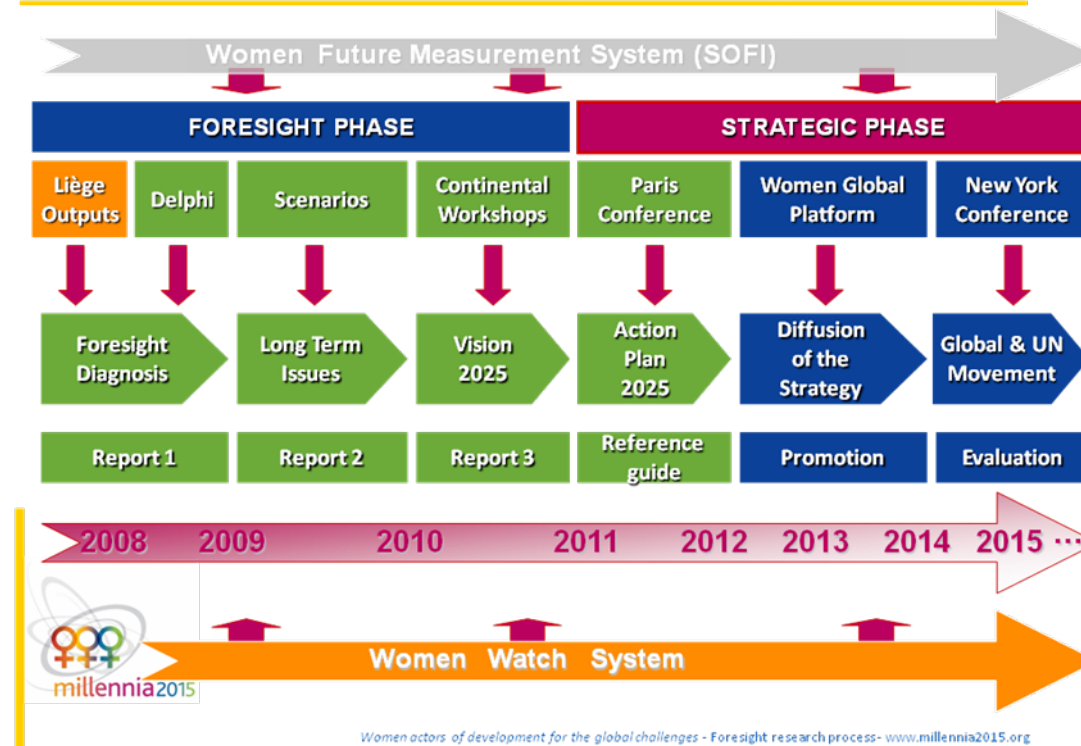


The strength of Millennia2015 : [www.millennia2015.org/Organization](http://www.millennia2015.org/Organization)



## Foresight research process of Millennia2015

### Women in the Knowledge Society Foresight





## The Three pillars of foresight

- work on the long term;
- applied research orientated towards action to make the situation evolve;
- systemic, interdisciplinary and diversified approach.

## How to pass from the variables of Millennia2015 to the scenarios?

We will have to:

- formulate and complete the variable analysis ("fiches variables"), by countries, regions or communities;
- examine the results for the 37 variables of Millennia2015 and classify them by affinities in 6 or 7 subsystems;





- define the arborescence of each subsystem: how will the variable evolve from now to 2025, long term emergency for women?
- formulate 3 to 5 assumptions for each variable and build micro-scenarios for each subsystem;
- define the assumptions without caricatures, corresponding to the reality we can observe;
- build and write at least 4 explorative scenarios for each subsystem to enlighten the future environment and to identify the long term issues;
- be careful not to say at any moment that this or that explorative scenario is the one to apply and never mistake them for normative scenarios.





## How to formulate the long term issues, the vision and the strategy of Millennia2015?

We will:

- analyze the explorative scenarios to identify the long term issues using questions, to identify 5 or 6 issues for each continent: they must be solid, robust, well anchored on the future, well crossed between the various studied sectors;
- answer to the questions with the working groups of Millennia2015: the differentiated answers will constitute the desirable futures;
- enhance the desirable futures to formulate the vision of 2025: the finalities, the ultimate purposes of the public action, and the values: solidarity and happiness to be reached in 2025 by and for women;



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- extract 5 to 7 strategic axes: which strategic actions need to be developed in the strategic axes in order to concretize the vision (work, means, budget, evaluation, operators);
- formulate the strategic plan of Millennia2015 for the empowerment of women, in a logic of learning, improvement of life and construction of the future.

## **The capital value of the "think and action tank" of Millennia2015**

- research, common work and action, shared between the communities of Millennia2015, by a constant online-work, regional seminars and the publication of the results on the interactive knowledge base of [www.millennia2015.org](http://www.millennia2015.org)

Foresight methodology of Millennia2015 elaborated with Philippe Destatte, General Director of The Destree Institute, President of the European Foresight College, in charge of the Foresight course, Universities of Paris Diderot and Reims Champagne Ardenne, Namur, Wallonia



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## The global and multilingual foresight exercise of Millennia 2015

- Launched on the 8 December 2010 at the UNESCO in Paris, based on the 37 variables identified in the IT2008 corpus;
- Analyse of its results to formulate scenarios, to identify the long term issues, to build the vision at the horizon 2025 and the strategy to reach it.
- the Millennia2015 action plan for women's empowerment finalized at the UNESCO at the end of 2011 and its actions presented to decision makers at the United Nations in 2015.

[www.millennia2015.org/KP2010\\_Foresight\\_Exercise](http://www.millennia2015.org/KP2010_Foresight_Exercise)

5 languages : French, English, Spanish, German, Italian



## 37 variables of Millennia2015

- identified in the 321 sources-variables extracted from IT2008-KP2010

V01 – Women, access to information and to knowledge

V02 - Strengthening women capacities

V03 – Women in situation of conflict and of war

V04 – Women and new participative skills

V05 – Climate, ecology and respect of the environment

V06 – Change of attitudes about women

V07 – Women, religion and obscurantism

**V08 – Women and eHealth: connected medical knowledge benefiting all**

V09 – Women, lifelong well-being and pro-activity

V10 – Women, cultural and linguistic diversity

V12 – Women and girls status, relations between women/men, girls/boys in family  
and in society

V13 – Women, ethics and sustainable development



- V14 – Women, poverty and strive for daily survival
- V16 – Women and girls, lifelong education and training
- V18 – Key position for women at all power and decision levels
- V19 – Women and human rights
- V20 – Women and democracy, societal priority for the future
- V21 – Women, research, science and technology
- V23 – Women and gender equality
- V24 – Women, media, ethics and development
- V25 – Violence against women
- V26 – Women, economy and adaptation of the values for a sustainable global management
- V27 – Women, feminism, ideas debate and politics
- V30 – Towards a knowledge society: creativity and culture
- V31 – Women and discrimination
- V32 – Women and stereotypes, respect of oneself and of others
- V35 – Women, work and entrepreneurship



- V36 – Women actors of development, creators of futures, assuming future generations' responsibility
- V37 – Women's strength and sensibility as drivers for the future
- V38 – Women as mediators and generators of peace
- V40 – The strength of networks for women
- V41 – Women and good governance
- V45 – The power of stories and of intergenerational transmission to inspire change
- V46 – Women, digital divides and internet governance
- V47 – Women and migration
- V48 – Women's empowerment
- V51 – Women, creative and collaborative solidarity



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**Send us your contribution by countries, regions or communities until the 25 February 2011 :**

## **8 main questions :**

### **1. - Definition of the variable**

Define and explain the title of this variable on the basis of the context (country, region, community, ...) in which you evolve (with women's point of view).

### **2 - Retrospective assessment**

How has this variable influenced - or not - women's empowerment during the last 10 (or 20) years?

### **3 – Actual or emerging trends**

What is the impact of this variable on women's daily life in your country, region or community, as well as on their participation to ongoing development and progress?



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## 4 - Uncertainty and discontinuities

To what extent the elements of this variable can they stop the process of women's empowerment and their active contribution to desirable futures?

## 5 - Possible assumptions of evolution

How will this variable modify the status of women's empowerment as well as their role in society in 2025?

## 6 - Issues

What are the issues of this variable for women? What have they to lose or gain?

## 7 - Concretes examples

Provide concrete examples showing the interest of taking this variable into account in the assumptions or alternatives of the future.

(Why should this variable be taken into account as a priority in the assumptions or alternatives of the future?)



## 8 - Sources, bibliography and links

List the sources of information that you present, the bibliography and the useful links. Documents, pictures or videos may be added to the online questionnaire.

For each studied question, it will be useful to identify the corresponding source-variables in the Millennia2015 IT2008 report [www.millennia2015.org/Methode](http://www.millennia2015.org/Methode).

## Contribute to Millennia2015

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Example of work implemented by Millennia2015:

## **V08 – Women and eHealth : connected medical knowledge benefiting all**

Women and Health, connected medical knowledge through eHealth as a human right, at all research and practice levels;  
maternal and infant mortality of the bottom billion people;  
the right for women and girls to control their own bodies and to contraception;  
the medical care requested to heal women and girls victims of violence;  
taking care of one's health on a daily basis as a means of adding life to the years;  
fair public policies for the health of the less able-bodied and poorest women;  
the approach of health challenges including gender-sensitive issues with a view to the future.



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## Creation of Millennia2015 Women and eHealth International Working Group (WeHealth IWG)

- chaired by Véronique Thouvenot, MBA, Ph.D, Evaluation Expert in eHealth, mHealth, eLearning and Telemedicine, Member of Millennia2015 Steering Committee, Lyon, France
- 30 voluntary experts, 23 women and 7 men from 22 countries;
- Goals : contribute in the achievement of the objectives of the Millennium 4 and 5 for women and by women; improve the health by favoring the use of ICT; support women and girls engaged in projects using ICT, to supply information and to produce it; help women imposing pressure on the industrialists of the ICT to adapt these technologies to their needs and constraints.
- Results presented on the occasion of the international conference Millennia2015 at the UNESCO at the end of 2011.



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