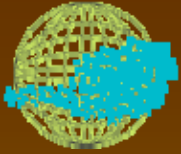


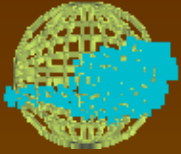
Gender Equality, Empowerment of Women and Coherence in Development Policies

CSO Perspectives



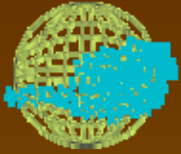
Content of Presentation

- Network WIDE
- Policy coherence and Gender Equality
- Gender Action Plan by the Worldbank
- Global Monitoring Report 2007
- 52nd meeting of CSW
- Southern Perspectives
- Working Group on coherence and gender equality in Austria



Women In Development Europe

- women's organisation
- development NGO
- gender specialists and
- women's rights activists

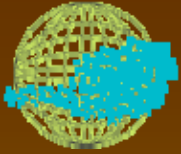


WIDE's Goals

- world based on gender equality and social justice
- that ensures equal rights for all,
- access to resources and opportunities

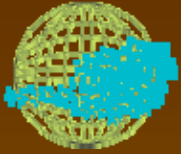
Vision of WIDE

Women's human rights are safeguarded globally!



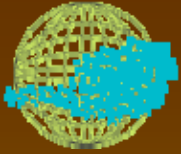
Policy Coherence

- UN conferences:
 - gender equality
 - environmental sustainability,
 - poverty reduction,
- MDGs, Monterrey Consensus, Paris Declaration versus macroeconomic policies



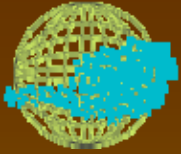
Coherence/Gender

- no gender neutrality in any area
- costs of adaptation of gender equality in macro-economic policies ignored
- recognize connection between paid and unpaid work
- increased economic effectiveness increases the workload of women
- human adjustment factors such as human resources are usually neglected



Development and social justice

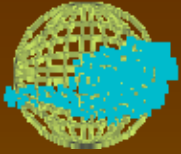
1. adherence to International HR framework
2. Governments: promote the analysis of all policies and programs from a gender perspective
3. Macro-economic and sectoral policies – with full and equal participation of women
4. Monterrey Consensus: gender equality is a goal by itself



Gender Action Plan of WB

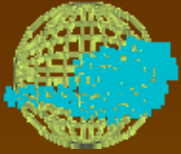
Questions in three areas:

- gender-disaggregated data and statistics
- GenderMainstreaming
- Implementation of result-based initiatives according to the requirements of Aid Effectiveness



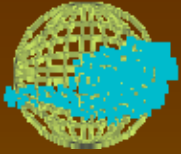
Global Monitoring Report 2007

- complex root causes of women's poverty:
 - violence against women
 - women's unwaged work, etc.
 - gender-based discrimination
- „quality“ should focus on the gender-sensitivity
- sex-disaggregated data in every area



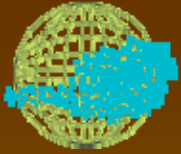
MDGs are a political matter

- Are we willing to share power?
- Are we willing to review neo-liberal policies?
- Are we willing to regulate TNCs and demand their adherence to Human Rights?
- Where is the policy coherence within EU-policies



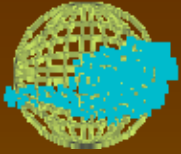
Commission on the Status of Women 2008

- Beijing reconfirmed
- CEDAW as central document confirmed
- Monterrey consensus acknowledged
- Financing gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls at national and international level
- strengthening the UN gender equality-system



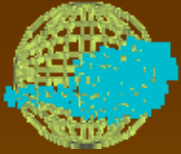
Financing for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment

- Paris Declaration and Aid Effectiveness not mentioned
- Policy coherence only in operational paragraph mentioned
- no concrete commitments for scaling-up ODA
- Increasing national accountability comparing to international level



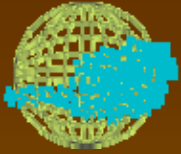
African Women's demand

- centrality of gender equality
- sufficient resources
- role of civil society
- gender units and gender focal points
- gender machinery in UN



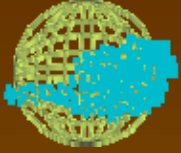
Austrian Working Group

- implementation of the formally recognized principle of gender equality and
- of the strategy of gender mainstreaming in a coherent Austrian
- development and
- economic foreign policies



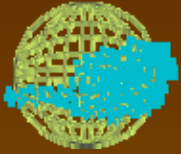
Required Results

- Concepts and strategies
- Development of a catalogue of criteria with recommendations
- Identification of good practice and critical scrutinizing of current policies



Required Status

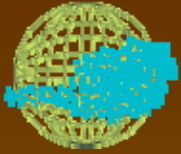
- official mandate from the government
- establishment of a gender-advisory board
- sufficient resources



Vision...

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