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Mainstreaming gender in STI policy

A matter of development effectiveness as well as an ethical issue:

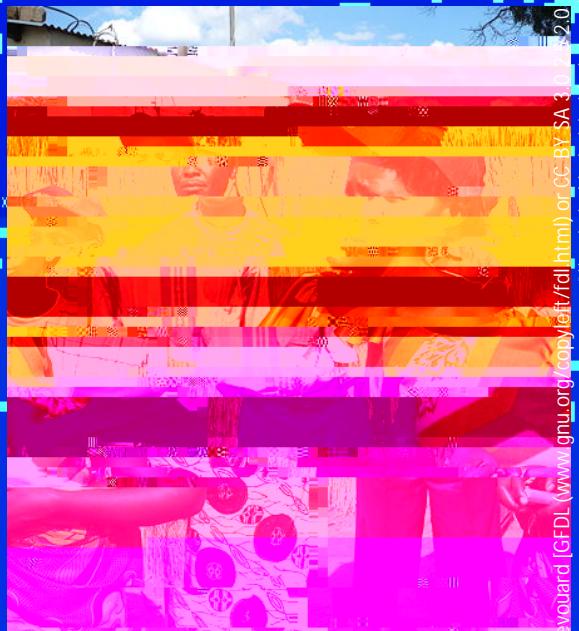
- 1) Women play a central and vital role in society (productive activities, social functions).
- 2) Gender mainstreaming can make STI policies more effective and
- 3) Appropriate STI policies can enhance women's contribution to economic growth and development...

In 1995, the Report of the Gender Working Group of the United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD) : *“Missing links – gender equity in science and technology for development”*.

Identified 7 Transformative

Three key elements:

- Promoting S&T to support women's development and livelihood activities ("Science for Women")
 - Promoting gender equality in science, technology, and engineering education, workforce, and leadership ("Women in Science")
 - Supporting the role of women in innovation systems



- Three key sectors where women play a central role
 - Agriculture, food security, and nutrition
 - Water and sanitation

- Why? To ensure women contribute shaping the STI agenda and make make

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- COHERENCE with other policy areas (an integrated approach)



Conclusions (cont'd)

- Gender mainstreaming in STI policy:
the “gender lens approach”
at each stage of the STI policy making process

Thank you for your attention

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