



Intervention Statement – 3rd PrepCom FfD4

New York, 10-14 February 2025

Dear Chair/Moderator, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates, and Colleagues,

I am honored to speak on behalf of the **Global Women Leadership Foundation**, a civil society organization headquartered in the Netherlands. We exist 12.5 years in 2025 and have actively participated in numerous UN platforms, including UN OFP, UN ECE, and UN Women, focusing on advancing women and girls in leadership and entrepreneurship.

VISION & MISSION

Our vision is clear: **to contribute to the development of new leadership globally to create a better future** – a vision directly aligned with the UN SDGs. Our mission is to **increase the share of women leadership, renew collaboration between women and men, and foster leadership development worldwide.**

Our key activities include:

- ◆ **Knowledge and Science** – Enhancing understanding of female leadership across the globe.
- ◆ **Promotion & Inspiration** – Through keynote sessions and initiatives, we empower and inspire women leaders.
- ◆ **Global Networking** – Facilitating meaningful dialogue among female leaders worldwide.
- ◆ **Leadership Projects** – Organizing programs on political, economic, and social issues, including our *CTT Change Tomorrow Today* initiative, presented to UN OFP.

ACADEMIA

Beyond advocacy, we are also an **academic entity**. Our **PhD research**, spanning six continents and featuring 36 executive women leaders, has culminated in our management book and documentary, *How Women Leaders Create the World*. We continue to share our insights through workshops and leadership programs, with ongoing research at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

Our **systematic literature research** delves into how **traumas shape women's leadership identity**, highlighting key transformations over the past 30 years. More findings will follow as our research progresses.



OUR INTERVENTION STATEMENT

Our message today is simple but urgent: **Think big. Act big. Make bold choices.**
Collaboration is the key to building a better future—because it truly matters.

In response to the **FfD4 themes**, we emphasize:

- ✓ **Gender Equality & Women's Empowerment** - Increasing women's representation in Leadership.
- ✓ **International Development Cooperation** - Strengthening global collaboration.
- ✓ **International Trade** - Promoting trade as a catalyst for development.
- ✓ **Science & Innovation** - Connecting global leadership studies through PhD research.
- ✓ **Data & Monitoring** - Encouraging UN agencies to collaborate more and with more universities, more PhD researchers. The current approach IDSSD is not yet a win-win structure for science.

TO CONCLUDE

The world is changing and in need of a lot.
We can do a lot.
A better tomorrow depends on what we do today.
Together, let's act, decisively.
Because it Matters
Thank you!

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