



Opening Statement

by **Gunter Beger, Managing Director, Directorate of SDG Innovation and Economic Transformation, UNIDO**

Some key points:

„... I am very, very happy to be part of this event! Normally, in this room we have ambassadors and representatives of the 173 member states of UNIDO, but it is never such an impressive picture as today. And I think sometimes the world would be a little bit better if we had more women power within our organisation.“

„We are very happy to host the CSR Dialogforum and G100 for this very important gathering on *The Role of Women for a Sustainable and Peaceful Future*. There are several thousand UNIDO projects globally with main focus on ending hunger, fair and sustainable supply chains and sustainable and green energy for all.“

„Gender equality is one of our cross cutting issues and of great importance. We see gender equality as a driver for resilient economies, innovative industries and a sustainable future.“





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by **Thuy Thu Le, Gender Coordinator, Gender Equality & Empowerment of Women Division, UNIDO**

Some key points:

„... I trust that you all agree that gender equality is more than a human right. It is a powerful driver for industrial innovation and sustainable growth. “

„Empowering women is key to building resilience and unlocking green solutions. The evidence of research is clear: when women are empowered, gender equality advances, economies grow faster and more inclusively and sustainably.“

„For reaching the Agenda 2030 and especially SDGs 5 and 9, we need everyone: women, men, boys and girls. Women must be able to lead, to participate and to benefit equally. Their potential as an agent of change is immense!“





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by **Bodil Valero, G100 President 2025 and Global Chair Security and Defence and Ursula Oberhollenzer, G100 Global Chair CSR and Secretary General of CSR Dialogfourm**

Some key points:

Bodil Valero: „... The invitation-only G100 organisation is about equality, peace, sustainability, it is about a better world for us all and especially for women. ... G100 is part of a group of networks founded by Harbeen Arora and together we are the Mission Million. We want to reach 1 million women because you need to listen to such a big group! We want equality and we cannot wait for another 100 years.“

Ursula Oberhollenzer: „My role in G100 and in the CSR Dialogforum, an NGO accredited at the UN since 2016, is all about creating the sustainable future we all want. This conference will hopefully be the start of closer cooperation with international organisations and the kick-off of deeper women empowerment, joining forces and creating the vision of a sustainable and peaceful future.“





Starting the conference

