

# Learning objectives

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- **Objective 1:** Discuss perspectives when exploring facts and opinions related to gender minorities.
- **Objective 2:** Analyse how context, culture and profound diversity impact the development of gender-sensitive conflict analysis.
- **Objective 3:** Translate and construct the narrative provided by others to make sense.
- Objective 4: Identify blind spots that affect the objectivity of gender-sensitive conflict analysis.
- **Objective 5:** Assess how world views and cognitive dissonance influence the development of gender-sensitive conflict analysis.
- Objective 6: Prepare a gender-sensitive conflict analysis.
- Objective 7: Specify the impact of intersectionality in conflict analysis.

## 8.00-8.10:

- Review the concept seen during Lesson 3.1
- Answer participants questions

### 08.10-08.15

- Translate and construct the narrative of what they hear, what they read and the information provided by others to make sense of information beyond what it appears to be.
- Assess how their worldview and cognitive dissonance influence the development of a gender-sensitive conflict analysis.
- Analyse the impact of context, culture and deep diversity on developing gendersensitive conflict analysis.
- Identify the blind spots that affect objectivity when assessing and analysing information for developing a gender-sensitive conflict analysis.
- Developing a gender-sensitive conflict analysis.

**Exercise** 

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### Watch 5 videos to learn about the 5 case studies.

Each table will summarise the video in a 90 seconds summary

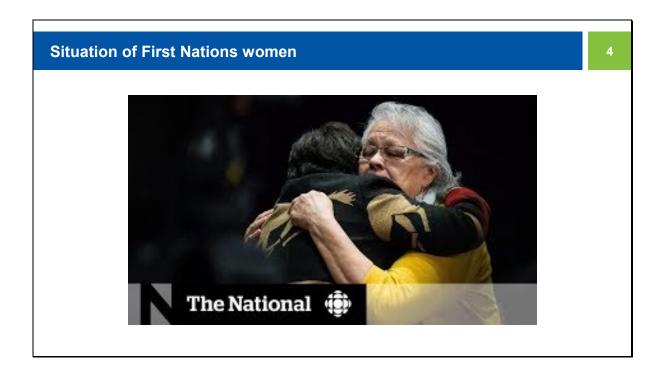
- Step 1: Each person at the table makes an individual summary (5 minutes)
- Step 2: Each table regroups its summary and develops a team summary (10 minutes)

# Presentation of the summaries (90 seconds per team)

Other teams should give feedback to the group presenting on the quality of their summary by specifying the following:

- Whether the information conveyed is correct
- If there is any missing information
- If the resume is biased by opinions and prejudices

08.15-08.20



## 08.20-08.23

# https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qqNTi5EHUJE

Divide the class into four groups and give each group a case study about the different perspectives on the situation of a group in society.

Ask each participant to read the case study individually and write a 90-second summary of their analysis of the situation. (10 minutes)

Ask participants to compare their summaries with their team members and identify the differences of opinion. Ask each table to develop a team summary that all team members agree on. (10 minutes)

- Their summary in 90 seconds
- Express the differences of opinion in their team



# 08.23-08.25 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NsJGHVHF1ss

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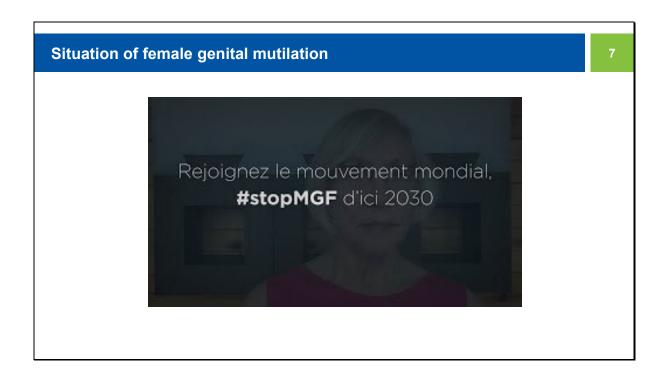
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- Express the differences of opinion in their team

# 1. Situation of First Nations women in Canada 2. Situation of transgender people in Iran 3. Situation of minor migrants in Europe 4. Situation of female genital mutilation in the world 5. Situation of the criminalisation of homosexuality in Hungary Facts versus Opinions

0832-08.42 Ask each participant to read the case study individually and write a 90-second summary of their analysis of the situation. (10 minutes)

0842-0855 Ask participants to compare their summaries at the team level and identify differences of opinion. Ask each team to develop a summary that all team members agree on. (10 minutes)

- Their summary in 90 seconds
- Express the differences of opinion within their team

# Bias and prejudice: Considering facts and opinion

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Facts are verifiable statements.

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**Opinions** are <u>personal interpretations</u> of facts, which differ from person to person.

For example: it is a fact that the sky is blue, and an opinion that the weather is good.

**Prejudice**. A judgment about someone or something is formed in advance according to specific personal criteria and which guides one's attitude towards that person or thing for better or for worse.

**Discrimination**. Discrimination occurs when someone acts according to their discriminatory beliefs. It can also be systemic when prejudices are taken as facts to write laws or policies.



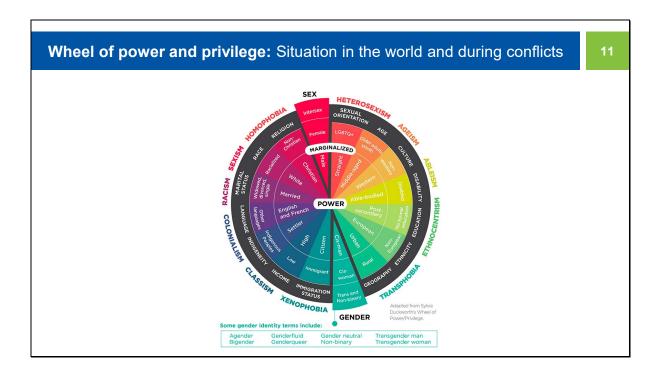
### Facts and Background (MGA and MGFP)

- Feminist researchers have claimed that men talk more than women, monopolising the floor in public places and the workplace.
- Yet a growing body of scientific evidence has found no gender difference in who talks more.

### 09.15-09.25

Conclude the exercise by introducing the concept of perspective and bias, which will be explored further in the course. (7 minutes)

https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/news/features/do-women-talk-more-than-men/



# 09.25-09.30

Explain how systemic prejudice and discrimination impact people's access to resources and power based on intersectionality.

This power wheel is often translated into social norms and changes in conflict situations or is exploited in conflict situations to target marginalised people specifically. For example, armed groups use the rape of men to associate them with the marginalised LGBTQ(AI)+ group and make them lose their access to power.

# **UN Perspective**

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# Indigenous Peoples. United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

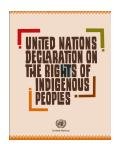
Affirming that indigenous peoples are equal to all other peoples while recognising the right of all peoples to be different, to consider themselves different and to be respected as such.

https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/wpcontent/uploads/sites/19/2018/11/UNDRIP E web.pdf

### LGBT(QIA)s

Since 2003, the UN General Assembly has consistently drawn attention to the killing of people because of their sexual orientation or gender identity through its resolutions on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions.

https://www.ohchr.org/en/special-procedures/ie-sexual-orientation-and-gender-identity



### **Human Rights Council**

Mandate of the independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (adopte 19 July 2019) - A/HRC/RES/41/18

Elimination of discrimination against women and girls in sport (adopted 21 March 2019) - A/HRC/RES/40/5

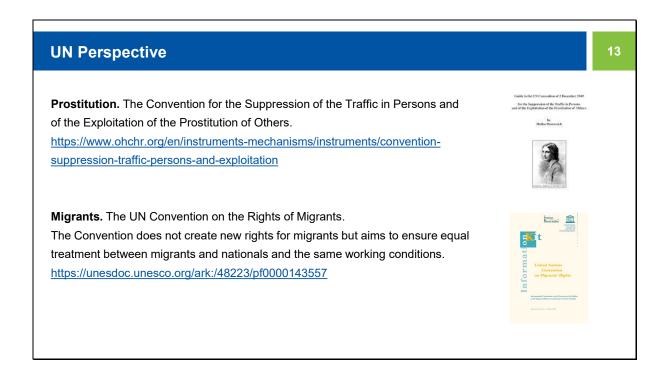
Protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (adopted 30 June 2016) - A/HRC/RES/32/2

Human Rights Council resolution - Human rights, sexual orientation and gender identity (adopted 17 June 2011) - A/HRC/RES/17/19

Human Rights Council resolution - Human rights, sexual orientation and gender identity (adopted 26 September 2014) - A/HRC/RES/27/32

09.30-09.40

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09.30-09.40 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=owC9AIG9E-4&t=6s



## 09.35-09.40

In 2015, all the world's governments pledged to achieve 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), all of which are injustices to be addressed by 2030.

Goal 5 is dedicated explicitly to the empowerment of girls and women. It addresses gender equality and aims to end all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls worldwide.

- Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.
- Goal 10: Reduce inequalities within and between countries.

Goal 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, ensure access to justice for all and build effective, accountable, inclusive institutions at all levels.

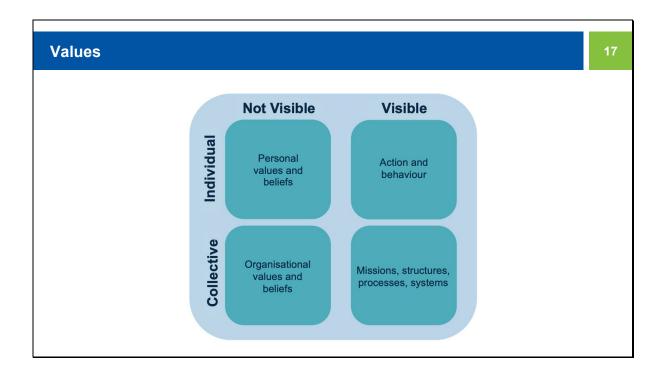
https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/fr/objectifs-de-developpement-durable/

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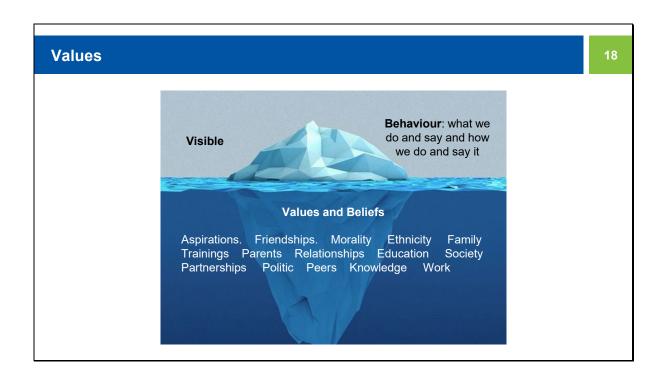


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# 09.50-09.55

Last night you reflected on your values.

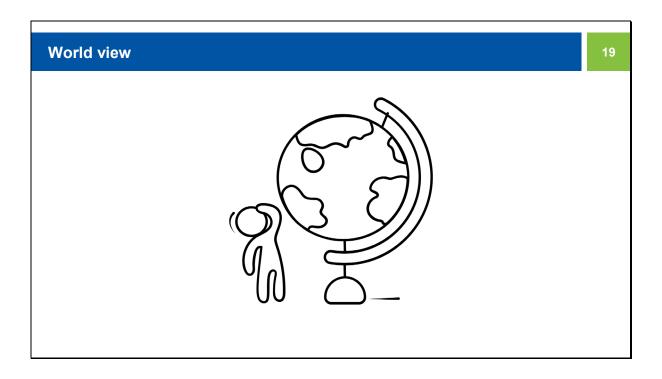
Today we will deepen your reflections by deepening your perspective and especially by reflecting on your assumptions towards situations and people taking into account the context, environment, culture and diversity of each case.



Source: <a href="https://www.lesechos.fr/idees-debats">https://www.lesechos.fr/idees-debats</a>

# 09.55-10.10

- Culture and values
- Ask participants to work in pairs to examine their worldview regarding values and beliefs, and identify where cognitive dissonance was experienced. (15 minutes)



10.10-10.25

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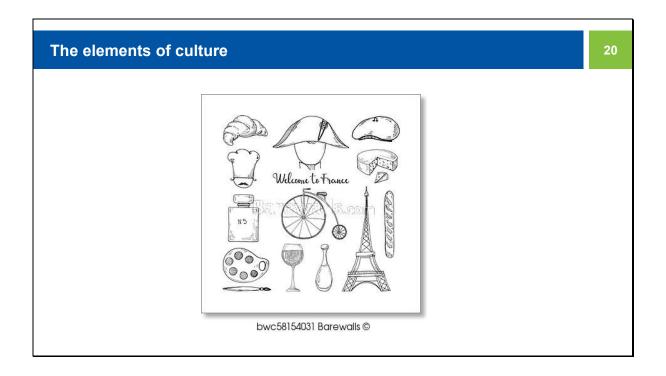
Source: https://www.dreamstime.com/

How we see the world is constructed from our beliefs, values, and understanding of our environment (geography, society, context, time (present, past and future) and the economy.

By researching the activity in the last hour, you have created the beginning of a narrative. You put together the information you found, the information we shared, and your worldview. Are you familiar with this term?

Wikipedia refers to a broad perception of the world, the framework of ideas and beliefs that form an overall description through which an individual, group or culture observes, interprets and interacts with the world.

Distribute D2 - Worldview exercise by themselves, then discuss in pairs (15 minutes)



## 10.25-10.30

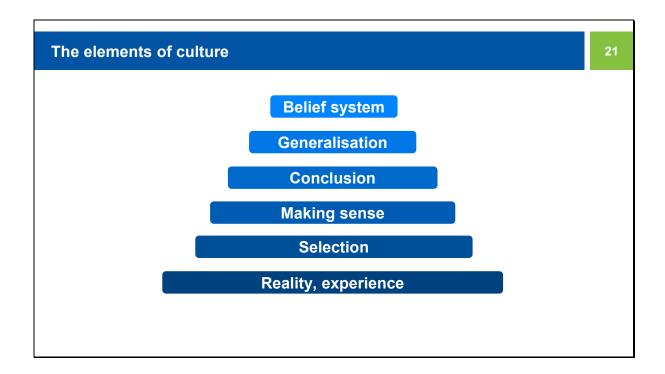
Culture is a combination of our values, beliefs and norms.

# Think of a triangle:

- Top: Values are the highest moral principles good, bad, right, and wrong.
- Centre: Beliefs are an agreement about the appropriate behaviour in a particular situation.
- Bottom: Norms, unwritten and informal rules or guidelines that prescribe appropriate behaviour in particular situations.

William Gudykunst has written extensively on multicultural communication and describes culture as a shared understanding of the "rules of the game" that emerges in an unspoken way and is context specific.

From Deep Diversity p.93 Shakil Choudhury

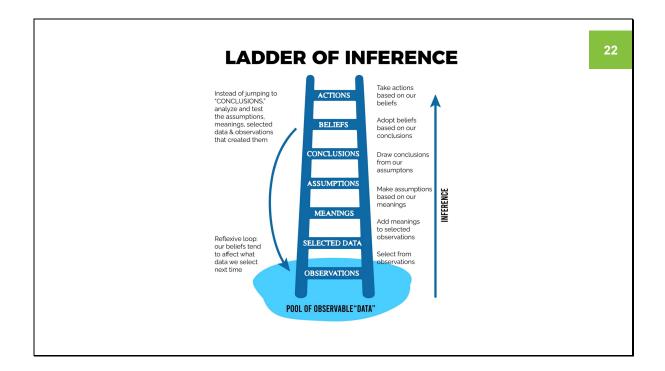


# 10.30-10.35

From the observed reality, we develop our belief system.

We proceed, via the belief bias, to the self-elaboration of beliefs based on conclusions deduced from what is observed and from our experiences. This is a universal mental mechanism by which abstraction grows and can lead to unwise certainties.

IN A RELATIONSHIP, WE HAVE TO GIVE UP OUR PERCEPTION TO HEAR THE OTHER'S AND BELIEVE IN THE OTHER'S SINCERITY TO COMMUNICATE.



10.30-10.35 Ladder of inference Handout: Inference scale

# How to raise our unconscious personal preferences

We all "own" beliefs.

- Whether we are aware of it or not;
- Whether we acknowledge it or not;
- Whether we assume it or not.

We see the world through this inner prism.

Our beliefs and us: Our beliefs fuel our views and create blockages

- Preconceived ideas and preconceived notions prevent us from solving problems.
- Let's become aware of our repeated ideas.

# Change our perspective

It is important to take a step back from our perceptions, to take some distance.

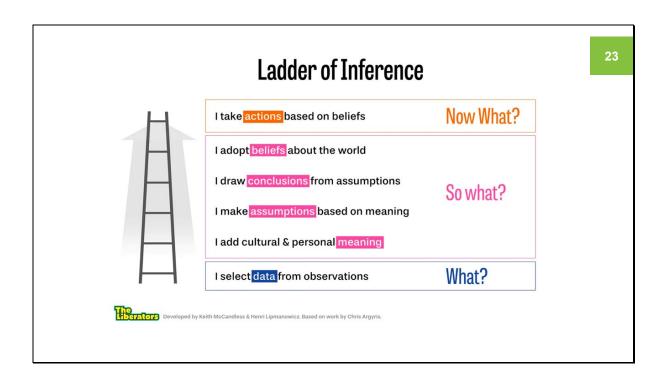
Tell the story of the guard bench on an American base Assumption = Assumption / Assumptions and expectations

**ASSUMPTIONS**. Formulating powerful questions is important to **become aware of hypotheses** and use them appropriately. To do so, you can contrast the question: (1) "What did we do wrong and who is responsible?" with (2) "What can we learn from what has happened, and what possibilities do we now see?"

- The first question assumes error and blame; it is a safe bet that whoever responds will feel defensive.
- The second question encourages reflection and is much more likely than the first query to stimulate learning and collaboration among those involved.

Examining a question for any unconscious beliefs it may introduce is often helpful. You can ask your team, "What assumptions or beliefs are we holding that are key to the conversation we are having here?" and "How would we come at this if we held an entirely different belief system than the one we have?" Each of these questions invites exploration into both conscious and unconscious assumptions and opens up the space for new possibilities to reveal themselves.

**SCOPE**. As you work to make your questions powerful, tailor and clarify **the scope as precisely as possible** to keep them within the realistic boundaries and needs of the situation you are working with. Avoid stretching the scope of your question too far.



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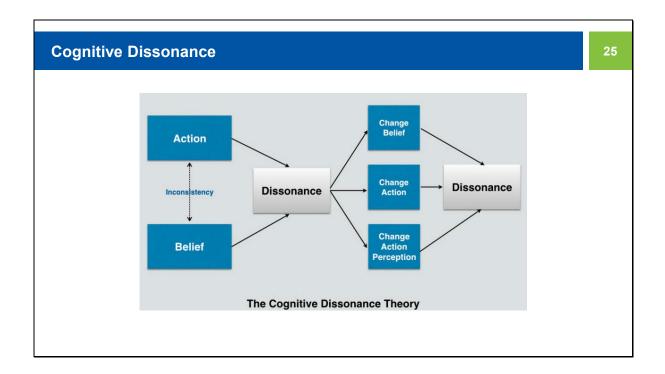


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Cognitive dissonance: When our beliefs are not aligned with our behaviour

# An example :

- I like to eat meat attitude
- I eat meat often behaviour
- Meat is bad for our planet cognition



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Source: https://medium.com/mti-review/êtes-vous-certains-davoir-fait-le-bon-choix-c46575b4430d

**Thinking – Cognitive Competence** 

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### **Critical thinking**

Have a strong sense of responsibility and commitment to values and goals related to the greater good.

# **Awareness of complexity**

A commitment and ability to act with sincerity, honesty, and integrity.

### **Perspective skills**

A basic mindset of curiosity and a willingness to be vulnerable and embrace change and growth.

# Logic

Ability to be in reflective contact with one's own thoughts, feelings and desires; having a realistic self-image and the ability to regulate oneself.

# Long-term orientation and vision

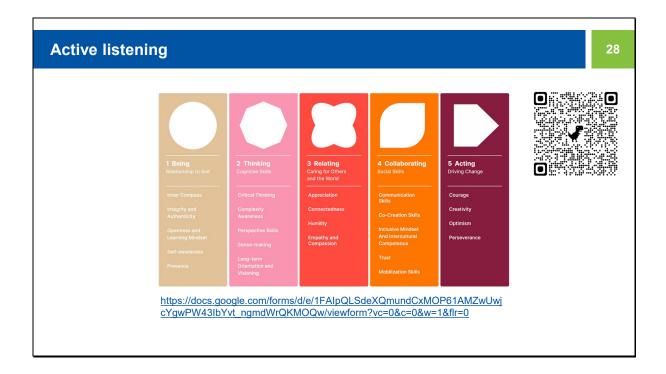
Ability to be in the here and now, without judgment and in a state of open presence.

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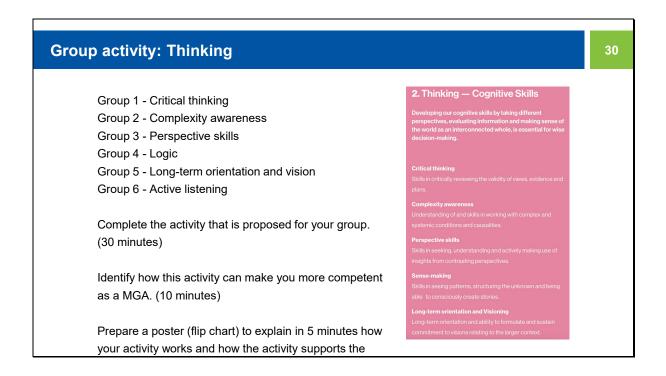
Carry out a self-assessment that looks at the 5 dimensions and 23 skills and is the self-assessment that participants do at the beginning of the course and again on Lesson 3.5 and again at the end of week 2 (Lesson 3.9).

The assessment looks at the following:

- 1. The ability to apply each of the 23 skills; and
- 2. Where my current role requires me to be ideal.
- 3. Select the skills most useful to them as an agent for change at the beginning of the course and now.

Break

10.45-11.00



### 11.00-11.45

Divide the group into 6 sub-groups based on their interest. The sub-groups will work on deepening their understanding of one sub-component of thinking and active listening and provide them with a group table exercise (20 minutes)

- Group 1 Critical thinking
- Group 2 Complexity awareness
- Group 3 Perspective skills
- Group 4 Sense-making
- Group 5 Long-term orientation and visioning
- Group 6 Active listening

Guide the group table toward a self-reflection of their bias, and challenges toward their sub-component and provide them with ways to improve their skills and attitude (15 minutes)

- (for the exercises, you can select from the IDG tool kits: <u>IDG.tools | Inner Development Toolkit</u>)

# Presentation of the groups: Thinking Group 1: Critical thinking - Tool for critical reflection Group 2: Complexity awareness - Exercising immunity to change Group 3: Perspective Skills - Practising adopting new lenses Group 4: Logic - Exercise where accuracy lies Group 5: Orientation and long-term vision - Meet yourself at 90 Group 6: Active Listening - Pairing active listening with the Socratic method

# 11.45-12.15 Presentation of the teams

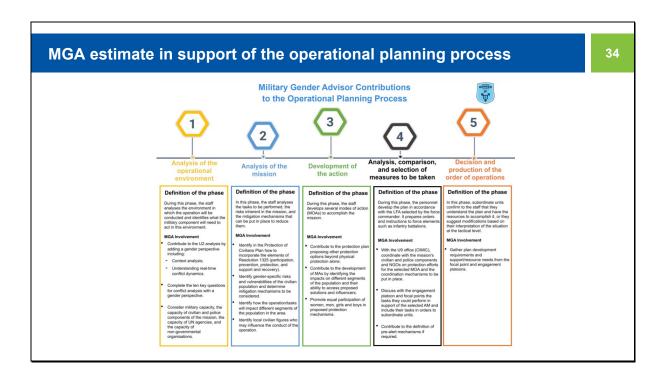
# Group 5 - Critical thinking Group 2 - Complexity awareness Group 3 - Perspective skills Group 4 - Logic Group 5 - Long-term orientation and vision Group 6 - Active Listening 10 minute presentation on Lesson 3.10 1. What did you learned about the IDGs associated with your group during the training? 2. What are your observations during the training about this IDG (specific examples observed about gaps and good applications)? 3. How will this IDG help you in your future work as a MGA? 4. What tools would you like to suggest to improve your skills in relation to this IDG?

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# MGA estimate in support of the operational planning process

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### Step 1 – Ten key questions for conflict analysis from a gender perspective

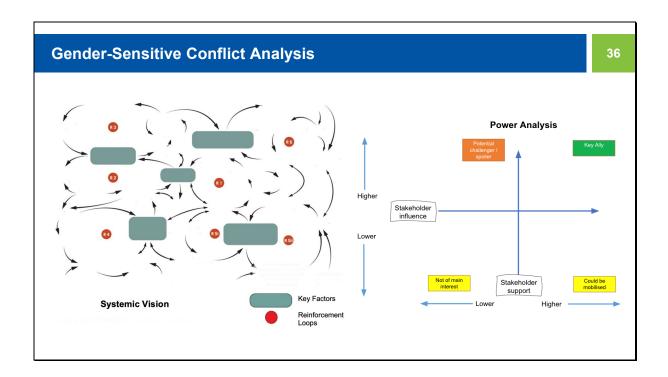
### Understanding Gender Norms and Behaviours

- 1) What roles do people of different gender play in a given community?
- 2) What are the predominant gender norms for different social groups?
- 3) How do people's actual behaviours compare to gender norms?

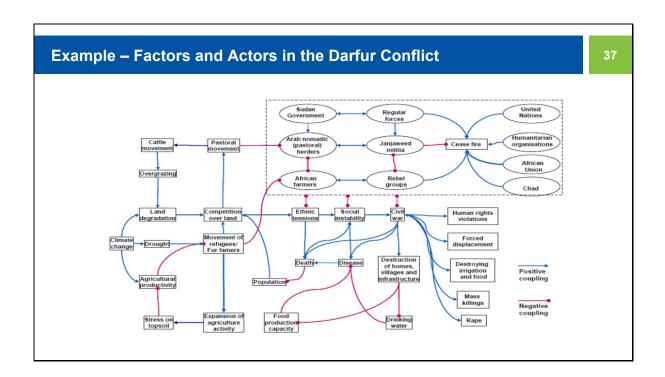
### Gender Analysis of Conflict

- 4) How do conflicts shape and/or change norms of masculinity and femininity?
- 5) How do conflicts affect men, women and sexual and gender minorities (SGMs) and their gender roles?
- 6) What roles do men, women and SGMs play in the conflict?
- 7) What roles do men, women and SGMs play in bringing about a peaceful resolution to the conflict?
- 8) How do gender norms and behaviours determine how violence is used? by who ? and against whom?
- 9) Do norms of masculinity and femininity fuel conflict and insecurity?
- 10) Are there norms around masculinity and femininity that (could) help build or facilitate peace?

13.20-13.30



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# Gender-sensitive conflict analysis: Consensus at class level

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Same group as for the morning exercise on intersectional group perspective:

Group 1 - First Nations / Aboriginal people

Group 2 - Gender minorities (e.g. transgender)

Group 3 - Migrants and internally displaced people

Group 4 - Women and adolescent girls in relation to cultural practices such as forced marriages, genital mutilation

(male and female) and child marriages

Group 5 - Homosexuals and lesbians

- Modify the map of factors and actors of the Darfur conflict by adding the perspective of your intersectional group.
- 2. If you cannot find any information/reference, make assumptions and indicate that they are assumptions. Indicate why you are making this assumption.
- 3. Identify what the UN mission could do to have an impact at the level of actors and factors concerning your intersectional group.

Possible reference to use: https://asylumresearchcentre.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/ARC\_Darfur\_country\_report\_January\_2020\_final.pdf

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## 15.10-16.00

5 minutes presentation/group + 5 minutes discussion with the other 4 groups = 10 minutes/presentation for a total of 50 minutes

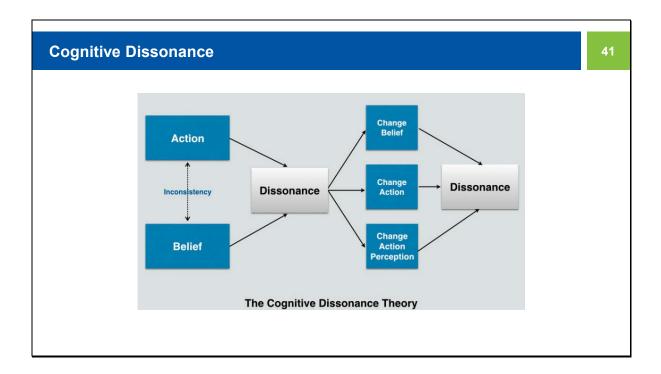
After each presentation, ask the other 4 teams if they have identified any opinions, biases and prejudices. Ask them if they have a different understanding of the situation.

Provide feedback related to critical thinking and worldview. (15 minutes)

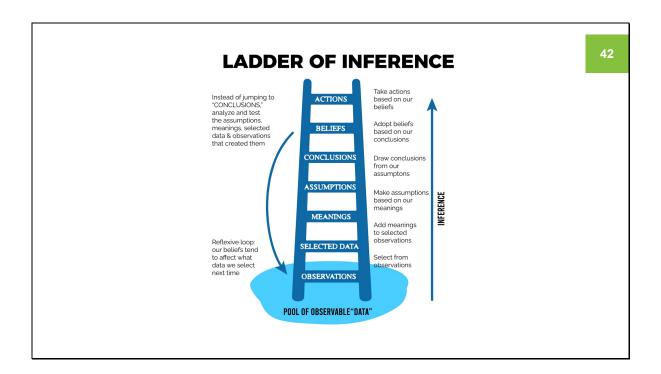
For feedback (15 minutes)

- Explain the impact assessment approach.
- Explain polarisation and misinformation with practical examples.
- Provide examples of current NGO initiatives and Ted talk videos.
- Explain the level of gender sensitivity (graphic e-learning).
- Provide references such as the book.

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16.00-16.05



16.05-16.10

# What do you remember? By using the Google form link provided by the facilitators: Identify the most important thing you learned today. Identify an element you would like to know more about.

# 16.10-16.15

Ask them to write down one point they have learned and something that is still unclear to be discussed in the next lesson. (5 minutes)

# Personal reflection and integration of learning – Personal Journal

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Review the day's activities and create a list of questions for self-reflection and discussion. Some examples:

- What would it take to start doing this?
- How would you get started?
- What do I need to improve?
- What would be the benefits?
- · Who can help me?

16.15-16.25

# **Preparation for Lesson 3.3**

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Watch the videos on this website and identify how the situations described should be considered during your work as a MGA (associate them with the tasks described in the MGA terms of reference):

https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/africa-movies-gender-based-violence-16-days/

GLOBAL CITIZEN LIFE DEMAND EQUITY

# 7 African Movies That Highlight the Dangers of Gender-Based Violence

Films are a powerful way to shine a light on social issues, like FGM, child marriage, and more.

16.25-16.30