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# WeHealth session Closing session – Open debate with panelists (Draft)

## Joan Dzenowagis, moderator and eHealth scientist at WHO

Thank you very much. I have to ask to each of you what is your priority in taking forward an action plan?

#### Line Kleinebreil

My priority will be pushing forward the development of simple programs on the use of mobile phones because women have mobile phones; it will take time until they have really access to computers and internet.

#### **Patty Schweickert**

My priority will be tele-education of providers and to equip patients with basics on how to use the mobile phone. How can you use the system that you have? How can you use that to address cultures or populations? How can we use technologies, mHealth?

#### **Arletty Pinel**

My heart is in education but my focus will be on capacities development with a new perspective: gender and learning, gender and education, gender and application of learning is very important, and while listening Patty, I remember that there was a meeting of 400 hundreds deans nurses in the Philippines a month ago. They were discussing the fact that 10% of Philippines GDP is based on exporting of nurses to the all world and these 400 deans of nursing school wanted to teach how to use technologies to future nurses so that the nurses that will be graduated and exported will come up already very skilled in eHealth and therefore maybe the GDP will increase from 10% to 15% in terms of the export of nurses. And I think that is something we are not used to hear, so it is the issue of giving more value to education. It is about gender and female application of eHealth affecting real change. Many things happen in Telemedicine in Asia or in Africa but we don't know it because they are not collected on the same platform.

## **Conclusion by Joan Dzenowagis, eHealth scientist**

I think that this is going to happen with this action plan which aims at collecting data from all countries, analyze them and share them. This is a preliminary discussion and I would like to say one thing on the Telemedicine aspect: there is an enormous amount





of extremely good works but without rules, without procedures and it doesn't have enough impact. We are thinking about a legal dimension for people who are already working with Telemedicine. There are a lot activities happening in different ways and I think we need to really think about how making emerge the potential of telemedicine. Thank you for your interventions.

## Conclusions by Véronique Thouvenot, head of Millennia2015 WeHealth

Thanks to our speakers and to Joan for moderating the session. So, for our action plan on Women and Telemedecine, I would like to propose you- and we can continue to discuss by email- to work on two phases.

The first one is to create, tonight, the WeTelemed Network because up to now we don't know where these women are, we don't know where they are working, we don't how they get educated, we don't how many they are- here today we have 4 women, that's great but they are more all over the work. Creating this network with the support of Millennia2015 platform will allow us identifying telemedicine challenges and actors. I think that up to today all together we can have one or more names of people that work in that field and could join us. They can know who we are and we can know who they are, what they do.

The second phase will be a conference that will be organized in Panama on Women, Health and Technologies, to create the platform for capacity building to know where women have been trained, to know how we can be trained in Telemedicine in order to have more women in Telemedicine.

I really thank all of you for your participation.

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