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Intro



- Rationale of the event
- How we roll
- Who we are: Maik, Sarah, Kristina
- Let's go get started

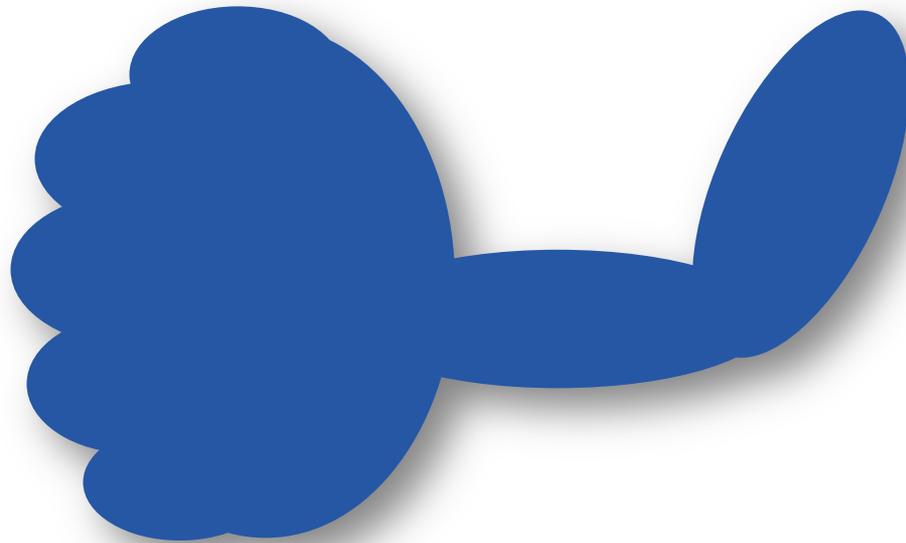
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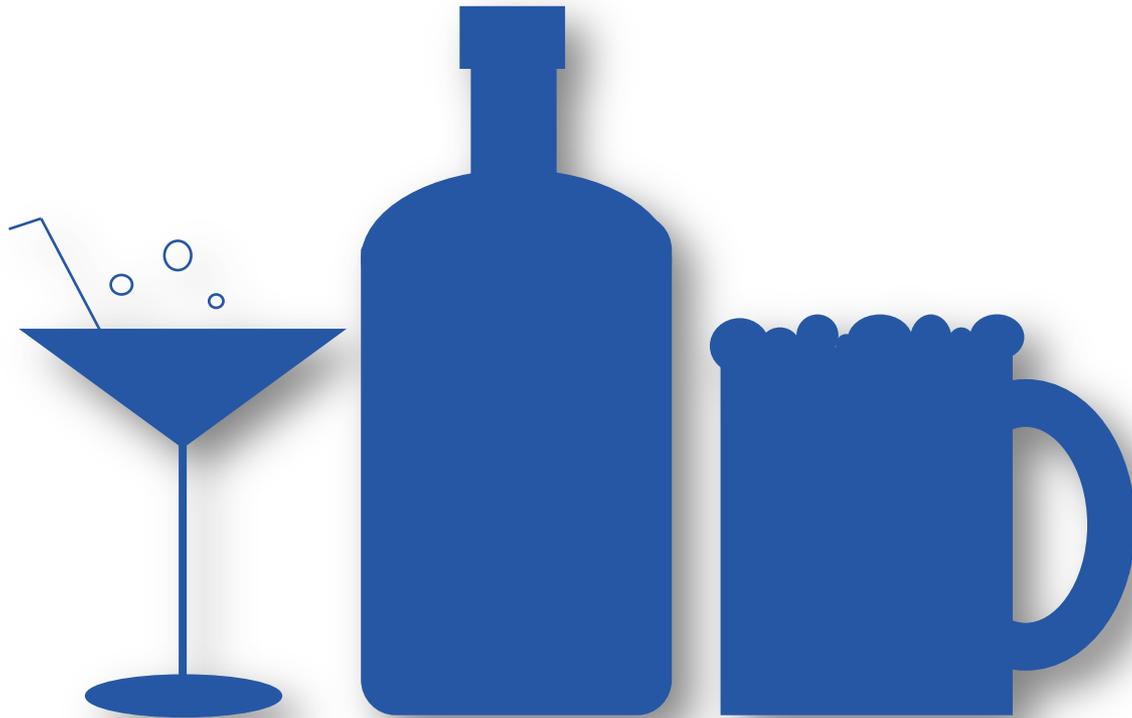
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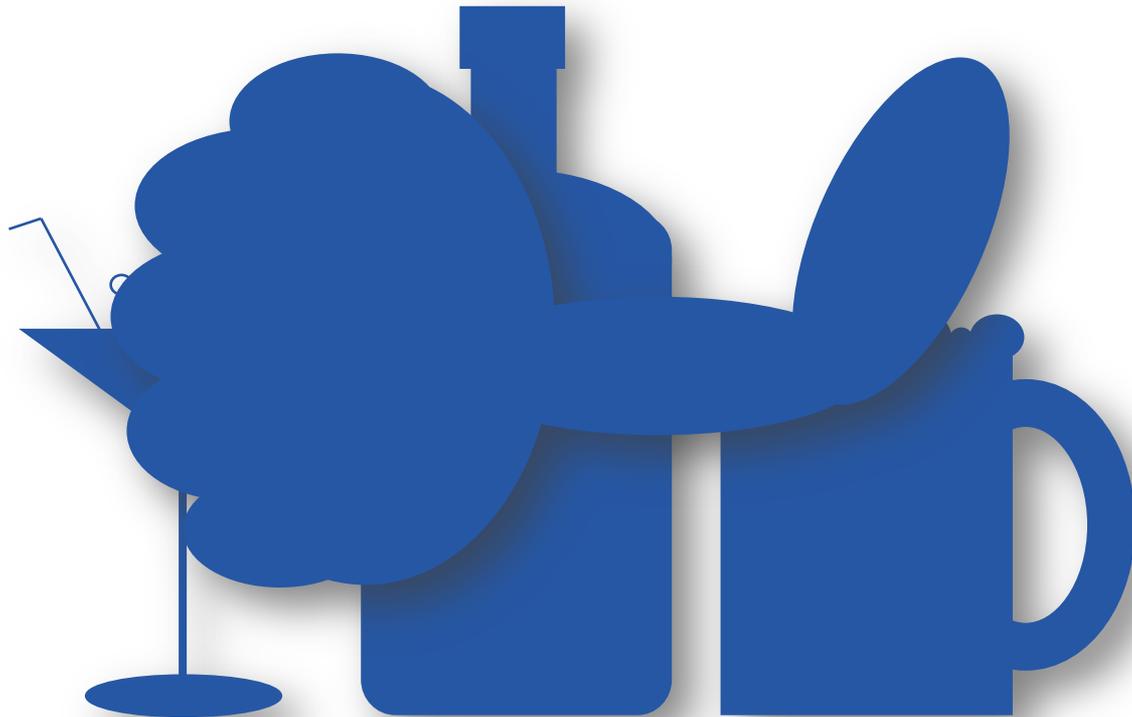
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Evidence

- Alcohol triggers GBV

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Domestic violence

- Europe: 66% of victims were attacked by a person who had used alcohol
- UK: Alcohol is involved in 88% of cases involving dual perpetration of violence and 55% of sole perpetrator cases
- Argentina: 68% of cases are alcohol related
- Rwanda: FGD in rural areas rank alcohol #1 cause

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Intimate partner violence

- Africa, Asia: ca. 65% of women experiencing IPV in South Africa, India, Uganda, Vietnam, Zimbabwe report alcohol use by perpetrator
- Brazil: 70% of cases alcohol related
- USA: 50% of cases involve alcohol
- Australia: 44% of intimate partner homicide cases associated with alcohol

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Harassment and rape

- Europe: 1 in 5 night life users involved in violence
- India: gang rape perpetrators alcohol intoxicated
- Australia: 40% of cases of physical and/ or sexual assault of women alcohol related
- Cambodia: 83% of beer sellers exposed to unwanted sexual contact

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Children: victims of and/ or witness to violence

- Europe: 16% of cases of CAN involve alcohol
- Australia: ca. 34% (1 million) of children live in households with at least one addict
- USA: mothers convicted of child abuse 3x, fathers 10x more likely to be alcoholics. Ca 26 million CoA

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Children: victims of and/ or witness to violence

- USA: >50% of all abuse reports involve the use of alcohol.
- Europe: At least 9 million children grow up with alcohol-addicted parents

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Objectification

- Masculinity is often associated with alcohol use and male domination over women and girls
- Alcohol is often used as excuse for otherwise socially unacceptable behavior.
- This way social norms are flouted.
- A culture of discrimination against women and girls is perpetuated.

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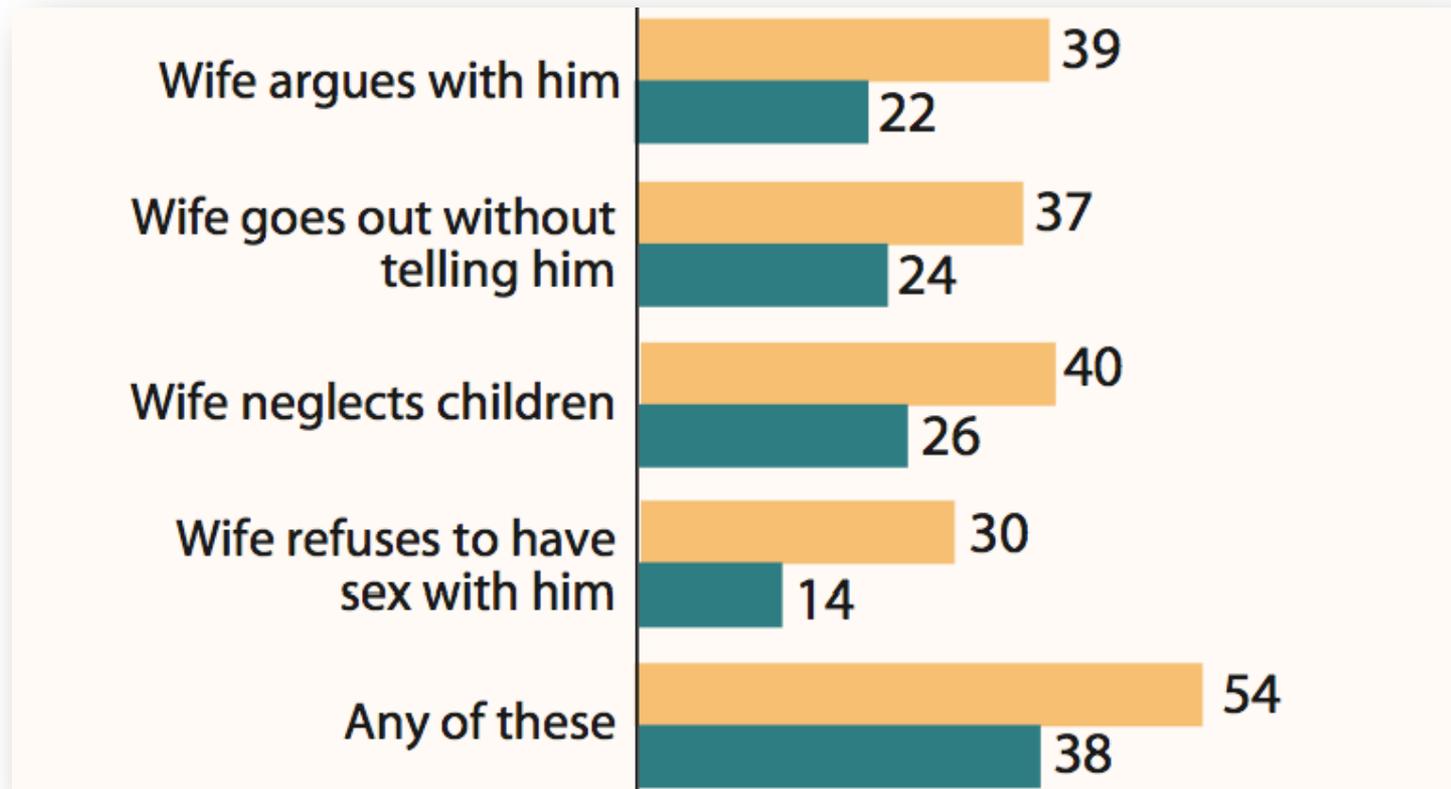
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Objectification cont.

- Europe: 95% consider alcohol key factor behind violence against women and children
- Tanzania: Attitudes to wife beating
- 54% of women and 38% of men believe husband is justified in beating the wife

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What works to prevent partner violence?

Review evidence of association and promising interventions to address:

- Social norms around gender and violence
- Women's economic and social empowerment
- Childhood exposure to violence
- Harmful alcohol use
- Legal and justice system interventions



World Health
Organization

4. Harmful use of alcohol

Evidence of link

- Not sufficient or necessary, but where present it increases frequency and severity

Promising interventions

- Early identification and brief counselling by health workers has been shown to reduce harmful drinking
- Reduce alcohol availability
 - Recent studies from the US and Australia have found clear link between outlet density and domestic violence
 - Meta-analysis of 122 studies confirms that increasing alcohol taxes decreases harmful drinking
- Community based interventions
- Alcohol misuse treatment has been shown to reduce frequency and severity of partner violence



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Maik Dünnbier,
Your Tweet got a reply!



 **Maik Dünnbier** @maikduennbier 06 Mar
It was inspiring hearing U @IngaMarte in #CSW57 Now let's make sure #alcohol as factor behind #VAW is addressed to #EndVAW #LifeSetFree

 **Inga Marte**
@IngaMarte

. @maikduennbier Thank you! I agree. Alcohol must be addressed as one of the important factors. Abusing alcohol puts children at risk too

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Analysis of structural interventions

- Alcohol is cross-cutting factor **GLOBAL**
- Primary prevention is ethically and economically sound **REGIONAL**
NATIONAL

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Analysis of structural interventions

- WHO Global Alcohol Strategy: yes **GLOBAL**
- CEDAW: no REGIONAL
- MDGs: no NATIONAL

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Analysis of structural interventions

- ASEAN Declaration on the Elimination of Violence Against Women in the ASEAN Region: almost
- African Union on eve of CSW57: Yes to prevention, but no mention of alcohol
- Pacific Island Leaders: maybe

GLOBAL
REGIONAL
NATIONAL

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Analysis of structural interventions

- India, USA, SayNO UNiTE COMMIT, Burundi, Rwanda **GLOBAL**
Uganda, Tanzania, Cambodia, Myanmar, Brazil **REGIONAL**
- No or weak focus on primary prevention **NATIONAL**
- No mention of alcohol compared to other structural factors

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Economic impact of GBV

- Mexico, rural areas: long-lasting \$20 monthly increase in wife's income associated with 15% decrease in husband's alcohol use and 21% decrease in aggressive behavior
- Economic costs of IPV in USA: \$12.6 billion yearly (perpetrators consume alcohol in 55% of cases)

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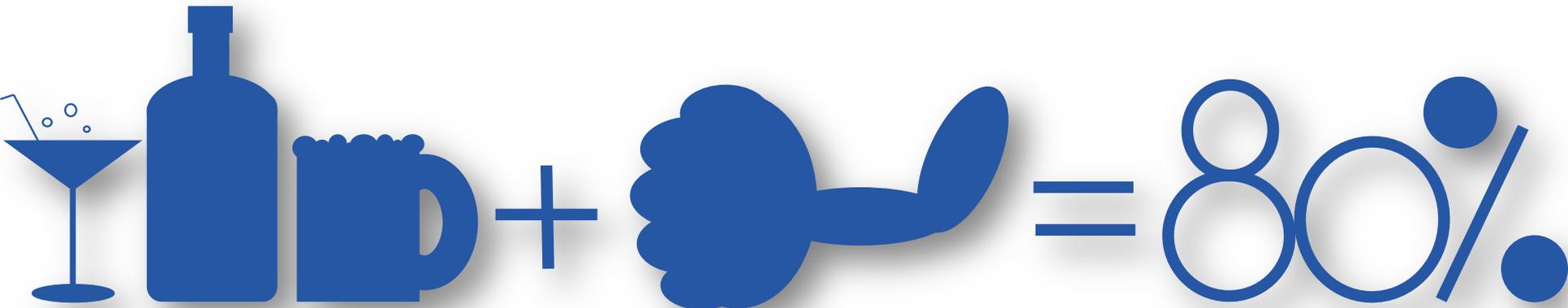
Economic impact of GBV

- Canada: \$1.1 billion (perpetrators consume alcohol in 43% of cases)
- UK and Wales: £5.7 billion (perpetrators consume alcohol in 32% of cases)

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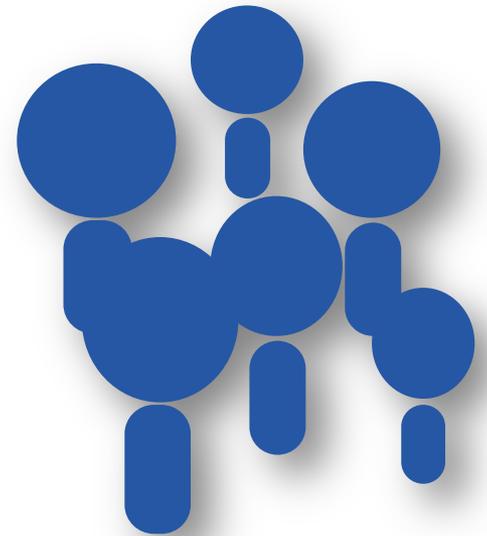
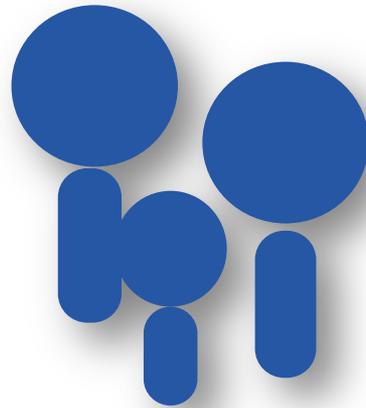
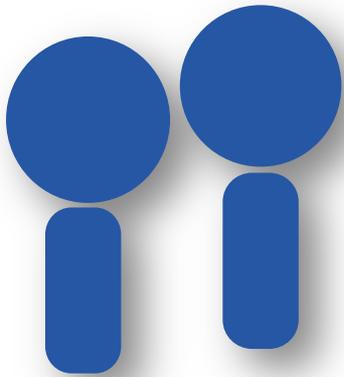
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The Big Picture



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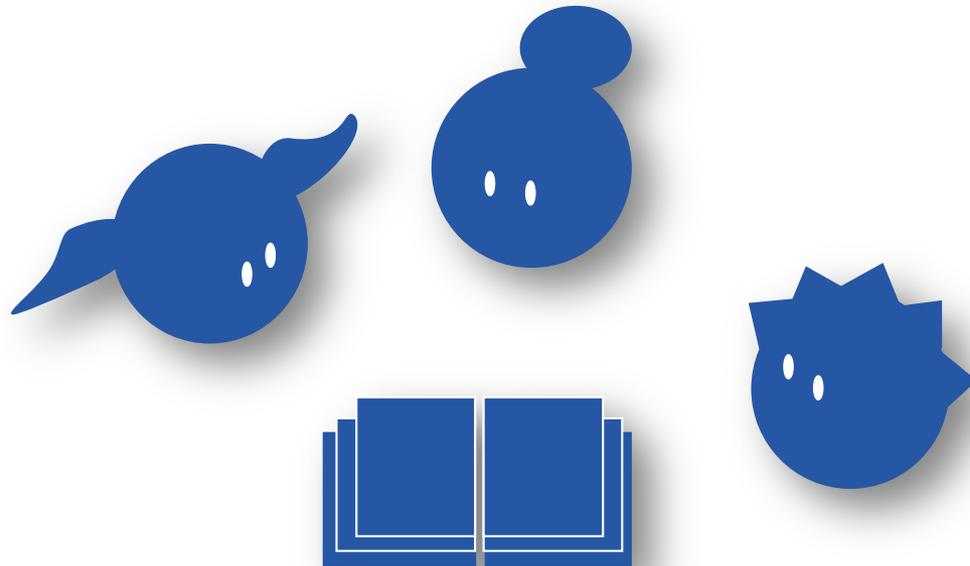
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- Ignorance
- Passivity
- Unfair privilages

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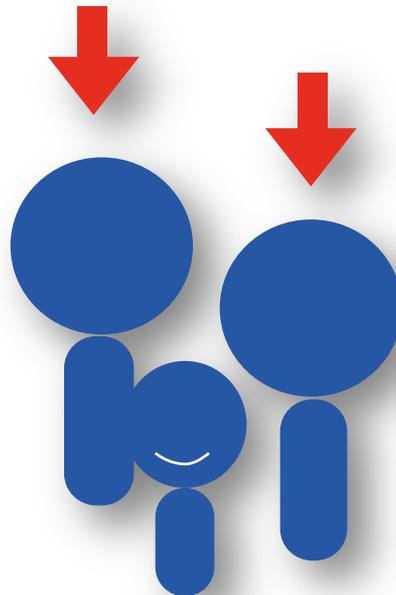
Education - action



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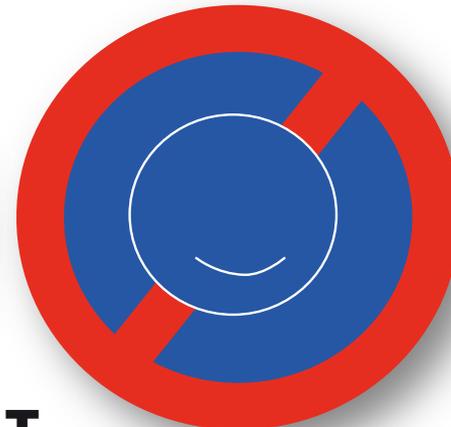
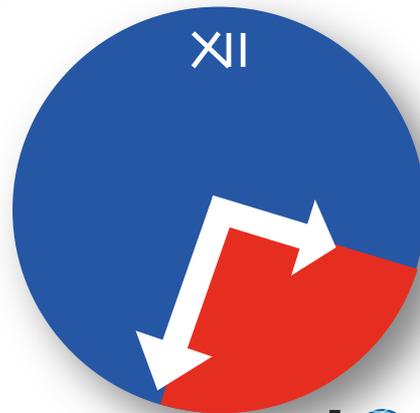
Men's role



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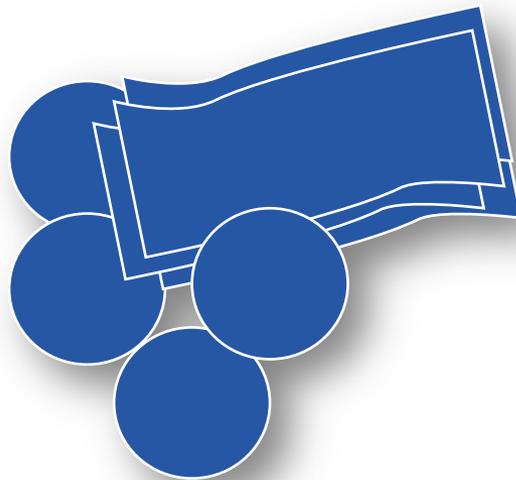
Community Based Approach



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Microfinancing



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Structural interventions

- Availability
- Affordability
- Marketing ban
- Alcohol-free environments

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Conclusions



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Thank you!

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