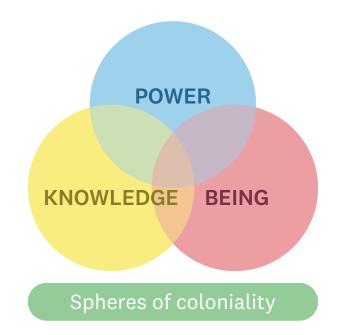
Centring decolonial feminist principles compels us to ask: Who are global health futures reimagined by, with, and for?

Background

- Global health's colonial history underpins present-day systemic power asymmetries and health inequities.
- Coloniality, the invisible power structure that sustains colonial relations of exploitation and domination, continues to shape notions of evidence and expertise in global health.
- Acknowledging coloniality's racialised and gendered roots is essential to prevent taking these artefacts of the past into the future.





Decolonial Feminist Futures

A strategy to address and redress persistent inequalities and power imbalance in global health

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Objectives

Integrate a decolonial feminist approach to:

- Interrogate intersecting manifestations of power asymmetries in our past, present, and futures;
- Envision potential global health futures that are co-created and co-owned; and
- Identify actions we can take in the present to realise a more equitable global health in the future.

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I call the possibility of overcoming the coloniality of gender "decolonial feminism".

- María Lugones, 2010

Methodology

We convened 28 intergenerational, cross-disciplinary experts from 17 countries in Malaysia for a three-day workshop to envision gender-equal and health-equitable systems for health by 2050.

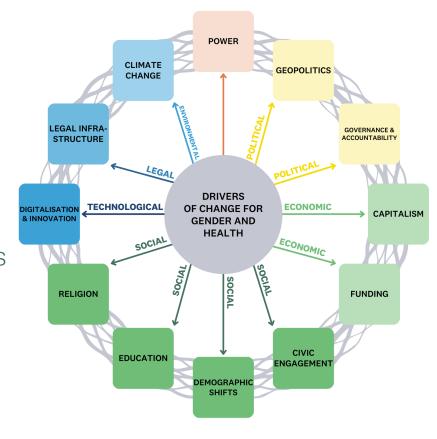


FUTURES
Weak Signals
Four Futures
Scenarios

SHAPING FUTURES
Moving towards desired futures and away from disowned futures

Results

- The long-term time horizon facilitated a mindset shift that dissolved the constraints of the present and created space for more inclusive and decolonial visions of potential futures.
- We identified 12 interconnected drivers of change that both perpetuate and challenge power asymmetries.
- Attendees explored cross-sectoral resistance and collective action as pathways towards systemic change.





- Anticipatory, agile, and adaptive governance, fostered and facilitated by futures thinking, must be adopted in global health policy- and decision-making if we are to shape a more resilient global health.
- Power, funding, and action are inextricably linked we need a shift towards funding structures that incentivise the changes we want to see.
- The integration of a decolonial feminist lens to analyses of power asymmetries and reimaginations of global health is crucial to foster greater inclusivity, equality, and fairness.





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