# The levers of change

# Gender equality attitudes study 2022

20,000 people surveyed across 20 countries





#### **GENDER EQUALITY**

91% of respondents agree that **gender equality** in all areas is essential to their country's future success.

Men do not feel as strongly about gender equality as women:

60% of men believe that more respect for women's rights is 'completely important'.

of women believe that more respect for women's rights is 'completely important'.

### ATTITUDES OF YOUNG MEN

of men agree that 'women should work less and devote more time to caring for their family'. This view is held most fervently among younger cohorts of men.

52%

54%

48%

men aged 16-19 men aged men aged 20-34 35-55

#### **POLITICAL PARTICIPATION**



of respondents agree that more opportunities for women in politics is important for their country's success, an increase of +2% since 2018.

agree that it is easy for men to run for elected office.

38% agree that it is easy for woman

**BUSINESS AND LEADERSHIP** 



9 in 10 respondents agree that equal pay for equal work is important to their country's future success.

44% agree that it is easy for women to be hired as skilled workers.

believe that the same is true for men – a gender gap of 13 percentage points.

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



more people agree that **there are acceptable circumstances for someone to hit their spouse or partner** – a
change driven mostly by Sweden, India
and the USA since 2018.

## REPRESENTATION IN THE MEDIA

Respondents believe that the media portrays women in traditional female roles, such as wives, mothers, or caregivers.



Respondents believe the media represents men in conventional male roles, including as providers for the family, as leaders, or as businessmen.



WOMEN'S APPEARANCE



26% of female respondents and

of male respondents agree that 'it is appropriate for men to discuss a female colleague's appearance at work.'

#### **EDUCATION**



88% agree that it is important to ensure higher education for women; however

 $27\%\,$  of male respondents and

of female respondents agree it is more important for a boy to get a university education than a girl.

#### WOMEN'S RIGHTS



76% of young women aged 16-19 believe that greater respect for women's rights in all areas is completely important for their country's success, compared to

63% of young men aged 16-19.



