

# GEM 2020/2021 Women's Report: Thriving through Crisis

PANEL DISCUSSION

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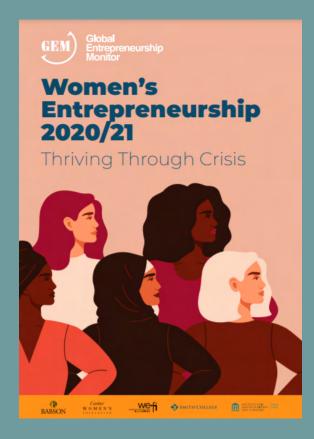


- The world's foremost study of entrepreneurship;
- Carries out survey-based research on entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship ecosystems around the world;
- A networked consortium of over 50 national country teams primarily associated with top academic institutions;
- The only global research source that collects data on entrepreneurship directly from individual entrepreneurs;
- Steward of unique survey tools and data that benefit numerous stakeholder groups.

# What is Global Entrepreneurship Monitor?

- 22 years of data, allowing longitudinal analysis in and across geographies on multiple levels;
- 150,000+ interviews annually with experts and adult populations including entrepreneurs of all ages;
- Data from 117 economies on all continents across the world;
- Opportunity to collaborate with over 500 specialists in entrepreneurship research;
- Involvement of some 300+ academic and research institutions;
- Support from more than 200 funding institutions.





Introducing our 2020/21 Women's Entrepreneurship Report and panelists...

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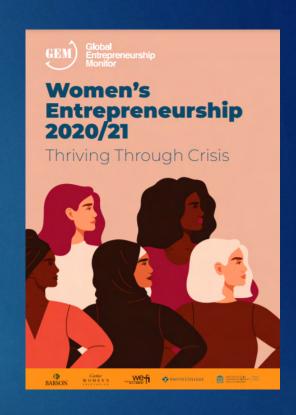
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HIGHLIGHTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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# Global Participation

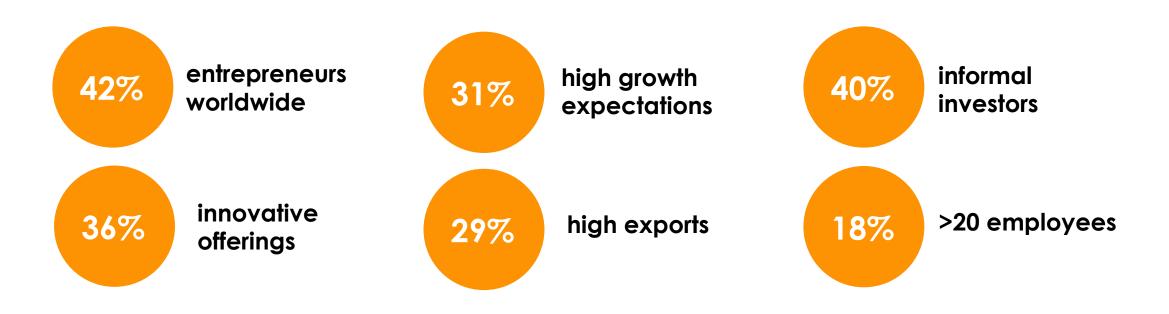


- ▶ 11% of Women from 43 countries involved in entrepreneurship vs 14% of men.
- ~274 million Women globally starting and running new businesses <42 mos old</p>
- ~139 million Women globally running established businesses

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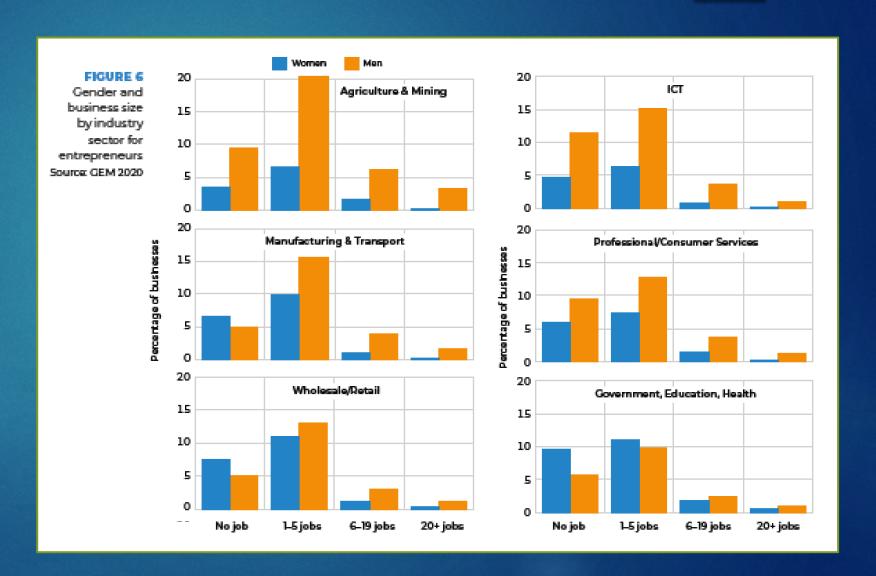
# Globally, women represent:

## 1 in 3 growth-oriented entrepreneurs worldwide



# Cultural vs Structural Factors

- Negative stereotypes are reinforced by topline numbers driven largely by structural factors
- Business size and industry sector are two of the most important predictors of business performance
- Stereotypes work against women long <u>before</u> they start a business



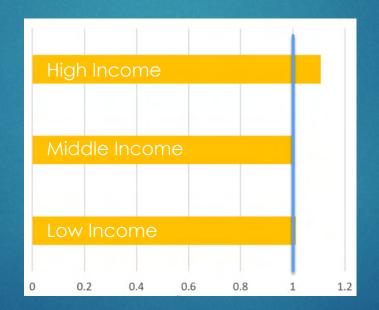


# COVID Impacts

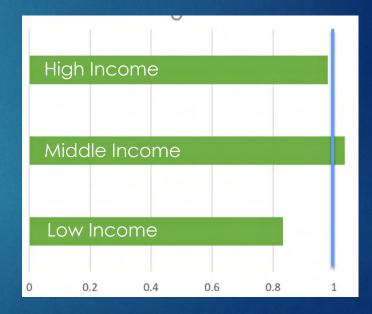
Pandemic Business Closures F/M Ratio



Pandemic
Difficult to Start Business
F/M Ratio



Pandemic Sees New Opportunity F/M Ratio





# Recommendations

- Support growth-oriented women entrepreneurs. Women make a big impact today with limited support from local ecosystems. Imagine what they could do with support.
- Support women entrepreneurs in male-dominated sectors. Negative stereotypes about women's leadership ability are most often invoked in sectors where women are underrepresented.
- ► Encourage women investors and women-focused investment. Investors miss good investment opportunities when they are swayed by gender stereotypes.
- Develop better policy the directly supports women business owners. Policies that support small business and family care directly benefit both women and men business owners.



# Thank you: Any questions?



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# GEM 2020 Countries

# GEM Methodology

