Reviewer’s report

Title: Evaluation of sex differences in dietary behaviours and their relationship with cardiovascular risk factors: A cross-sectional study of nationally representative surveys in seven low- and middle-income countries

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Reviewer: Paola Villaverde

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The authors answer adequately to the questions and comments asked previously, however there are still some minor comments to resolve before publication.

In the abstract:
* In the line 51 instead to use the word people is better to use participants as well as in the results section

In the methods:
* In the hypertension section, standardized the space when you use 90mmHg (with or without space but the same format in all the paragraph as well as in the article)
* In the section analyses, please instead to use "we've fitted" replace it with we have fitted is more formal for the article.
* Line 266, please rephrase: Models were adjusted for potential confounders identified in the literature of age, waist circumference (for associations with diabetes and hypertension), educational attainment, working status, physical activity, alcohol use and tobacco use

In the results:
* In line 287 the sentence after the comma is not clear, please rephrase
* Line 290 please add a "comma" after the word circumference

Table 1
* The title: Characteristics of individuals, in seven low- and middle- income- countries. Please add overall and by sex.
* In the same table, in the first line, you are presented % or n by each group? Example: Overall n or % (95% CI). If each variable is different (mean, %, N), in the column of the variables you can use symbols (*) and explain them in the footnotes, or you can write down % or mean in parenthesis beside each variable. For example: age (mean), sex (%)
* In the section cardiovascular disease risk factors, is better to use only cardiovascular risk factors as you describe in the methods section
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* Please eliminate the sentence obesity measure is not necessary (nowhere in your article specifically in the methods you talk about obesity measure)

Table 2
* Add to the title: by sex
* Please standardized the table to two-point decimals when is possible and change it in the text

Table 3
* In the second line: Percentage (95% CI) with undiagnosed, please eliminate the word with in the line is not necessary
* In the line of p-value for sex interaction please standardized to two-point decimals
Table 4
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Supplementary table 1
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