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Dear TWF friends

TWF is very excited about welcoming Madeline Di Nonno as the keynote speaker for our 2015 Gala Dinner on Thursday, October 29 at the Conrad Hotel. Madeline is CEO of the Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media, the only non-profit working with the entertainment and media community to improve gender diversity in film and television with a particular focus on children's entertainment. She leads the Institute's strategic direction and brings over thirty years of experience in media, marketing and business development in the entertainment, non-profit and digital media sectors. Madeline previously served as President and CEO of On The Scene Productions, a leader in digital media content creation and distribution, after stints at Starz Media, the Hallmark Channel, Nielsen EDI, Universal Studios and ABC Television.

[TWF's Annual Gala](#) has become a calendar event for many of our supporters. In addition to compelling content, delicious food and live entertainment, the Dinner will also feature a silent auction with enticing prizes, a gelato station courtesy of I-Scream and shots from The Whisky Library! For reservations or sponsorship enquiries, please email [Stephanie.Poon@twfhk.org](mailto:Stephanie.Poon@twfhk.org).

PS Don't miss next Monday's TVB Pearl Report which will include a feature on the objectification of women in the Hong Kong media. The documentary will air on Pearl on Monday, August 10, at 9.00p.m. and can also be accessed on [tvb.com](http://tvb.com).

Warm regards

Su-Mei Thompson  
 CEO, The Women's Foundation

## TWF PROGRAMME UPDATES



### T.E.E.N. Programme - Graduating our 5th Cohort!

Last Thursday, we marked the graduation of the fifth cohort of our T.E.E.N. Programme with a celebration at Kwai Chung Methodist College. The TEENS performed a touching musical before an audience of family members, teachers, T.E.E.N. Alumni and Programme partners, in which they reflected on their personal development and experiences over the past year. A number of TEENS were also presented with awards for exceptional participation. The event was a beautiful finale to what has been a life changing journey of self-discovery for the TEENS.



### Pearl Report on the Objectification of Women in the Media

Next Monday's edition of The Pearl Report will focus on the objectification of women in the media with a particular focus on social media. The episode will discuss the impact of the global 'selfie' culture and will feature interviews with plus-size models, women with eating disorders, and leading commentators on gender including TWF CEO, Su-Mei Thompson. Tune into the Pearl Channel on Monday, August 10, at 9.00p.m. or view the episode on [tvb.com](http://tvb.com).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MENTORING PROGRAMME FOR WOMEN LEADERS

2015-2016 INFORMATION SESSIONS



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### Mentoring Programme 2015 Info Sessions

This September, The Women's Foundation will be launching the seventh year of our Mentoring Programme for Women Leaders. This best-in-class programme matches 50 high potential protégés with seasoned female mentors drawn from HK's most successful businesswomen, entrepreneurs, women in media, NGO leaders and academics. If you are interested in applying for this highly acclaimed

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Programme, you must attend one of our six Information Sessions. To find out more and to register, download our Information Session flyer [here](#)



TWF EVENT

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### Lunchtime Panel on Return to Work Programmes

**DATE:** Thursday, August 27, 2015

**TIME:** 12.00 – 2.00 p.m.

**VENUE:** The Exchange Auditorium, The Exchange Exhibition Hall 1/F, One and Two Exchange Square, Central

**SPEAKERS:**

- Rebecca Brosnan, Managing Director, Head of Asia Commodities, Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd
- Stephen Golden, Asia Pacific Head of Global Leadership and Diversity, Goldman Sachs
- James Tuttiett, APAC Manager, FDM Group

[Register for this event](#)



TWF + COCOON PITCH NIGHT

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS EDITION



### CoCoon Pitch Night X TWF: Women Entrepreneurs Edition

**DATE:** Thursday, September 24, 2015

**TIME:** 6.30 – 9.00 p.m.

**VENUE:** CoCoon, 3/F Citicorp Centre, 18 Whitfield Road, Tin Hau

**ABOUT THE EVENT:** Six start-ups with female founders, CEOs, CTOs or COOs will present at our CoCoon/TWF Pitch Night. Email [pitch@hkcoocoon.org](mailto:pitch@hkcoocoon.org) for more information



THE WOMEN'S FOUNDATION INVITES YOU TO

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GENDER STEREOTYPES

AT OUR 2015 GALA DINNER

### Gala Dinner 2015

**DATE:** Thursday, October 29, 2015

**TIME:** 7.30 – 11.00 p.m.

**VENUE:** The Conrad Hotel, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** Madeline Di Nonno, CEO of the Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media

For inquiries regarding sponsorship and table/ticket sales, please contact

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## DIRECTORS' TRAINING - Mention TWF to Enjoy Preferential Pricing!



AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF COMPANY DIRECTORS

FINANCIAL TIMES NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COURSES



TWF is delighted to be supporting the Australian Institute of Company Directors and FT's directors' training programmes. **Mention TWF to enjoy preferential pricing for both programmes!**

The AICD will be delivering their [International Foundations of Directorship Programme](#) in Hong Kong, October 14-16. The AICD is also inviting applications for its one-day programme on [International Governance for NGO Organisations](#), October 13. To find out more or to register for either programme, contact [international@aicd.com.au](mailto:international@aicd.com.au).

The Financial Times are inviting applications for their Non-Executive Director Full Time Diploma commencing on September 14 and their two-day Non-Executive Director Programme from October 29 to 30. To learn more about the Diploma and confirm your place, click [here](#). To learn more about the Non-Executive Director Programme and confirm your place, click [here](#).

## EXTERNAL EVENTS



PARTICIPATE IN MERCER'S 2015 'WHEN WOMEN THRIVE' STUDY

FROM NOW UNTIL AUGUST 14, 2015



### Participate in Mercer's Global Gender Study

In 2014, Mercer, in collaboration with EDGE Certified Foundation, embarked on a study of over 680,000 women to produce the groundbreaking global gender report, [When Women Thrive, Businesses Thrive](#). The study



provided insight into the organisational practices that lead to greater gender diversity. To expand on this study, Mercer are seeking participants to take part in their 2015 Global Gender Research. The survey is open for participation until August 14, 2015, and all participants will receive a copy of the overall findings report. For more information or to take part in the survey, click [here](#).

## WHAT WE'RE READING

### **Our top picks for recommended reading and listening on the key trends and breaking stories about women and gender:**

- [Mexican State Known For Gender-Based Violence Issues Emergency Alert](#) (The Guardian)
- [China And Japan Pave The Way For Future Female Business Executives](#) (The Independent)
- [Women On The Beat: How To Get More Female Police Officers Around The World](#) (The Guardian)
- [5 Women Making A Difference In Hong Kong's Tech Startup Scene](#) (SCMP)
- [Millennial Men Aren't The Dads They Thought They'd Be](#) (NY Times)

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