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Dear TWF friends

We are excited to announce that tickets go on sale today for this year's TWF Gala Dinner!

Sponsored by Bloomberg, this year's Gala will take place on Wednesday, November 22 at the JW Marriott Hong Kong and will feature inspirational keynote speakers, delectable food and wine and a silent auction with enticing prizes.

This year's Gala will discuss what progress we have made in the last 20 years when it comes to women's advancement and where we aspire to be in the next 20 years. We are delighted to have The Honourable Mrs. Anson Chan GBM GCMG CBE JP, Former Chief Secretary for Administration HKSAR as our keynote speaker this year. We will also present video remarks from Michael R. Bloomberg, founder of Bloomberg LP & Bloomberg Philanthropies and 108th Mayor of New York City, on the importance of STEM education and developing female leaders of tomorrow.

For more information about table and ticket prices, please click [here](#). Early bird pricing is available before September 29 so please reserve your place early!

For tickets and sponsorship enquiries, please contact Spring Kok at spring.kok@twfhk.org.

Warm regards

Su-Mei Thompson
 CEO, The Women's Foundation

UPCOMING EVENTS
SECRETS TO SUCCESS

SEHR AHMED


Sehr Ahmed shares her Secrets to Success!

TWF is delighted to present the next session in our not-to-be-missed Secrets to Success series featuring outstanding female leaders sharing their first hand experience, insights and advice from their own leadership journey. We are looking forward to hearing from Sehr Ahmed, Founder and CEO of Executive Edge, a global coaching and consulting practice. Prior to this, Sehr held HR leadership roles across Asia Pacific for ABN AMRO Bank, AIG, McDonalds and globally for IFM Investors.

DATE: Thursday, September 14

TIME: 12.30 - 2.00 p.m.

VENUE: KPMG, 8/F, Prince's Building, Central

TICKET: HK\$200pp. A light lunch will be available.

All proceeds will go to The Women's Foundation Cambridge Scholarship Scheme which sends deserving Hong Kong students to pursue the MPhil in Multi-disciplinary Gender Studies. [Register here.](#)

TWF HR BEST PRACTICE GUIDES LUNCHTIME DISCUSSION

September 20, 2017
 12.30 - 2.00 p.m. / BofAML


TWF Best Practices for Developing the Female Talent Pipeline

Please join us for a cross-industry best practice discussion drawing on TWF's Best Practice Guides for Gender Inclusive Global Mobility Programmes, Return to Work Programmes for Women, Effective Women's Networks, Mentoring Programmes for Women and Effective Unconscious Gender Bias Strategies. The session will include small group discussions on cutting edge company programmes and initiatives facilitated by senior HR and D&I experts.

DATE: Wednesday, September 20

TIME: 12.30 - 2.00 p.m. (12.15 p.m.: registration opens)

VENUE: Bank of America Merrill Lynch, 55/F Client Center, Cheung Kong Center, Cheung Kong Center, 2 Queen's Road Central

[Register here.](#)

30% Club Annual Boardroom Lunch -

BOARDROOM LUNCH

FIFTH LUNCH OF THE SERIES



Nominate a Woman to Watch!

The fifth annual 30% Club Boardroom Lunch will bring accomplished and aspiring women directors face-to-face with chairmen, CEOs and advisors to Hong Kong's leading companies for simulated boardroom discussions on key issues facing boards today. 18 companies including Alibaba, CIBC, Goldman Sachs, HSBC, HKEX, Macquarie, Manulife, Swire Pacific, Standard Chartered Bank and Thomson Reuters have already committed to hosting tables this year. If you know a board-ready woman who would benefit from the exposure and inspiration provided by this event, please email Lisa.Moore@twfhk.org.

DATE: Friday, September 29

TIME: 12.00 - 2.00 p.m.

VENUE: The Asia Society Hong Kong Center, 9 Justice Drive, Admiralty

TWF PROGRAMME UPDATES



T.E.E.N. Programme Update

Last Tuesday, our TEENs participated in a "Human Library" workshop where they heard from ethnic minority youth, including one with a chronic illness since birth, about the discrimination they regularly encounter. After the workshop, the TEENs had a summer wrap up session where they reviewed the breakthroughs they have made over the past two months and were encouraged to continue stepping out of their comfort zones as part of their upcoming community projects.



T.E.E.N. Graduation Ceremony

A huge thank you to everyone who attended yesterday's graduation ceremony for our 2016-2017 TEEN cohort. Over 60 TEENs, big brothers & sisters, school partners, supporting organisations and TWF board members turned out to celebrate the end of the programme year with our TEENs. The TEENs scripted and performed a touching musical drama which described their experiences and feelings throughout the year. Many thanks to Kwai Chung Methodist College for hosting the ceremony for the 7th year running and also to CLSA for their generous long-term sponsorship of the programme.



Girls Go Tech Teacher Workshop

Last Friday, TWF organised a Teacher Workshop for 60 teachers from HKMA KS Lo College at Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong (THEi). Thank you to Dr Krates Ng/THEi and his team for hosting the workshop and showcasing tools for e-learning. Connie Cheung, TWF's Senior Programme Manager, also shared the highlights of our recent STEM research and how opportunities in the STEM field are impacting women's empowerment and economic development.



Girls Go Tech mentioned in OSC's Annual Report!

Thank you to Operation Santa Claus (OSC) for mentioning TWF's GGT Programme in their 2016 Annual Report. The Report includes a touching feature on one of our GGT participants, Alisa, and how she was inspired by and benefited from the programme. Click [here](#) to access the Report.

SHE OBJECTS UPDATE



She Objects Screening at VF Asia
Last Friday, VF Asia hosted a staff screening of She Objects followed by lively small group discussions. To arrange a screening for your company, women's network, school or university, please email spring.kok@twfhk.org.

SUPPORT TWF!



Law Rocks! Hong Kong to benefit TEENS

TWF is thrilled to be the beneficiary of the inaugural Law Rocks! Hong Kong event on October 15 at Grappa's Cellar featuring performers from Reed Smith, Pinsent Masons, KWM, Latham & Watkins, Mayer Brown JSM, Ashurst and more. Proceeds will benefit TWF's T.E.E.N. Programme for high need, high potential boys and girls aged 13 to 15. Tickets on sale now. For more information, click [here](#).

TWF IN THE SPOTLIGHT



TWF featured in the EOC Journal

Rita Ching, TWF Deputy CEO, was interviewed about gender stereotypes for Equality Perspectives, the EOC Journal. Read the article [here](#) (page 5).

TWF IN THE COMMUNITY



WEN Event on September 19

TWF is pleased to support "How To Keep Going When The Going Gets Tough, Part 2" organised by the Women Entrepreneurs Network. The goal is to arm women business owners with strategies and resources to navigate challenges including reduced revenues, higher cost ratios, greater competition and uncertain macro forces. Click [here](#) to register.



Gender Equity Conference 2017 "Fixing the Leaking Female Pipeline"

TWF is pleased to support the second Gender Equity Conference organised by FLEXImums and Back to Work on Thursday, September 21. The conference brings together experts from around the region to share ideas and business practices to empower corporations to create gender-balanced workplaces. For more information and to save your place, please visit this [link](#).



2017 ASPAC Institute
Asia: New Ways to Build Business & Governance
September 27-28 | Hong Kong

WCD Asia Summit 2017

TWF is pleased to support WomensCorporateDirectors' Asia Summit on September 27 and 28. WCD is a global not-for-profit organisation supporting women sitting on over 7,000 boards world-wide. HKSAR Chief Executive, The Honourable Carrie Lam, will give the keynote speech at the Summit. WCD invites all current board members and "board ready" women to attend the event. Please click [here](#) for more details.

WHAT WE'RE READING

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

- [Why Empowering Women is the Best Way to Solve Climate Change](#) (Singularity Hub)
- [Leave No Girl Behind International blows bubbles for gender equality](#) (Newcastle Advertiser)
- [Meet the women launching start-ups in their 50s](#) (The Guardian)
- [Will women ever break the bronze ceiling?](#) (Time Magazine)
- [Ending the Gender War for Women in STEM](#) (Huffington Post)
- [矽谷女IT人創手袋品牌年半冒起: 女生才明白事業與家庭的兩難](#) (香港01)

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