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PRINCIPLE, WE
AIM TO BE A
POSITIVE
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**BPW
HONG KONG**

AN AFFILIATE OF BPW
INTERNATIONAL

ABOUT BPWHK

BPW Hong Kong is an affiliate of BPW International, a member organisation working for gender equality and the empowerment of all women. Founded in 2015, this is the second BPW affiliate to be established in Hong Kong (original affiliate: 1979-2013).

BPW International was founded in Geneva in 1930 by Dr Lena Madezin Phillips and colleagues, who had established its predecessor, the National Federation of Business & Professional Women (1919; USA). Today, BPW International has approximately 30,000 members in more than 100 countries across 5 continents. Since 1947, we have maintained consultative status with the UN via ECOSOC; currently, there are BPW representatives aligned with each UN agency. We also hold participatory status with the Council of Europe.

The primary purpose of BPW is the professional and economic empowerment of women, through UN advocacy and local action as well as networking, mentoring, peer support, and skills development. Flagship initiatives include "Equal Pay Day" and "Women on Boards."



PROGRAMMES

Some of our programmes which distinguish us include:

- **Advocacy**
- **1-1-1 Mentorship**
- **Young BPW**
- **Equal Pay Day**
- **Global Skills Training**
- **Twinning: Global Hub**

YOUNG BPW

Young BPWHK is a special programme for students and young professionals aged 18-34. While our young members are regular members of BPW HK, this programme provides additional early career support.

Young BPW members are integrated into every committee, taskforce, programme and project of BPWHK, and are encouraged to serve on ExCo and to participate in advocacy campaigns and our annual forum. Young BPW Hong Kong members also engage with Young BPW Asia-Pacific and Young BPW International.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

If you reside in Hong Kong, are aged 18+, and a business or professional woman or a female university student, work returnee, or retiree, we invite you to join us! If you reside in Macau, you may also join BPW Hong Kong — and we will work toward an ultimate aim of helping to found a BPW Macau affiliate.

- Local networking & mutual support of member businesses
- Member directory, available via our website
- Member spotlight at our meetings
- Member highlight (profile and/or guest blogging) on our website
- Professional and leadership development
- Special speakers at meetings, special events, webinars, opportunities to provide trainings
- CV & career enhancement
- Special Young BPWHK Programme
- Local and global advocacy for gender equality & women's empowerment
- Regional and global conferences, triennial congress + general assembly
- International organisation with worldwide name recognition
- Global sisterhood: support, networking, professional & cultural exchange

