My Dear BPW Sisters across the Globe,

It gives me great pleasure to send you this BPW International News with our news from all over the world and with all the activities of my executive colleagues and the exciting news from our affiliates. As we are approaching Christmas I would like to wish all our Affiliates across the world a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We have already celebrated one year after the elections in Cairo congress and it is my real pleasure to share with you several of our efforts across the whole year for expanding our BPW family across the world, visiting our affiliates across the world, raising the visibility of BPW International and strengthening the ties with our Partners, stakeholders and the UN Agencies.

As we have celebrated the 88th Anniversary of our great organization BPW International on 26 August. This celebration was extraordinary as it showed the unity of all our members and the joy and smile on the faces of our sisters and the pride they feel to be BPW members.

If our founder Dr. Lena Madesin Phillips were here today, she would be very proud to see BPW growing and continuing to advocate for gender equality, as well as empowering women on all platforms. It brings me great pleasure to see BPW sisters celebrating our 88th Anniversary with pride, embracing diversity and inclusion, uniting the world through our strength and committing to achieve a global agenda under our 2017-2020 triennium theme: “Empowering Women to realize the Sustainable Development Goals”.

Since I was honored to be elected as International President in October 2017, I have visited my BPW sisters across the world in about 20 countries, such as Bahrain, Morocco, Spain, Austria, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Rwanda, Ethiopia, Kenya, Australia, UK, Jordan, Canada, Russia, USA, Hungary and Cyprus among others. I also had the privilege of visiting other countries and opening channels of communication to start BPW Clubs in Namibia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Mauritania, Djibouti, Portugal and Zambia.

I have also attended and given talks at several International Conferences to raise the visibility of BPW International and strengthen the ties with our partners, such as International Trade Center, UN Women, UNIDO and other Regional and International Institutions and Organizations.

As we are preparing now for the Leaders’ Summit next March on the 8-9 March 2019 during the CSW, we would like to mention the great success of the 2018 BPW Leaders’ Summit in New York that focused on our International Theme “Empowering Women to realize the Sustainable Development Goals” but with great emphasis on Goal 18: Sustainability of BPW International.

BPW affiliates’ projects presentation under the theme of 62nd Session of UN Commission on Status of Women, “Empowering Rural Women and Girls” gave a great illustration of how the great work of our BPW affiliates contributes to the realization of the SDGs and has a real impact on the daily lives of women across the world. We have seen how this work is related to our BPW International Advocacy Pillars of Women’s Entrepreneurship, Women in Trade and Access to Markets, Women on Boards, Women’s Financial inclusion, Equal Pay, Women Empowerment Principles (WEPs) and Government and Corporate Procurement Policies. Also, how these advocacy pillars and the activities and projects of our BPW affiliates are interlinked with the SDGs as follows:

- To achieve SDG 1 on “Ending poverty”, BPW’s role is not to give charity, but to promote economic growth through entrepreneurship, training and capacity building so that women will gain financial independence. The financial inclusion of women and access to land and property for women are the keys to ending poverty.
• To achieve SDG 2 on “Zero Hunger”, BPW projects often empower women at all levels and also to strengthen their capacity in agriculture and agribusiness for grassroots and rural women.

• It is amazing that so many BPW affiliates are working on the SDG 3 on Health and well being by organizing health awareness campaigns. Good health is a true wealth!

• SDG 4 on “Quality Education” is embedded in the roots of BPW projects and enforced by our Advocacy Pillar of promoting women in STEM Education and I have witnessed many affiliates working on this pillar from all over the world.

• SDG 5 on “Gender Equality” and Women’s Empowerment is the core of all our BPW activities and projects.

Our BPW affiliates across the world are also working to eliminate any form of discrimination against women, to prevent violence against women, to empower women and girls with special needs, to combat child marriage, etc. Since these activities enable women to have better opportunities to work full time and to their full potential, they also contribute towards SDG 8 on “Decent Work and Economic Growth”.

It is also great to know that BPW International affiliates are also working towards SDGs that are related to the environment, realizing the sectorial Advocacy Pillars of empowering women in Agriculture and Agribusiness, Green Economy, Clean Energy, Climate Change and to have access to Water and Sanitation.

It is crucial for all the affiliates across the world to register their projects and send us information about their great work and how they link in to the Global Agenda of SDGs.

I have also established Task Forces that respond to the SDGs and to the main priorities of our advocacy pillars to address the needs of driving the agenda of Gender Equality and Women Empowerment and based on the fact of leaving no woman behind to include all women at all levels.

Our real goal is to work together in harmony to advance the agenda of women’s empowerment economically, socially and politically. It is time for all of us to unite our efforts to spread BPW International’s wings and embrace our diversity and richness across the world in collaboration with all our partners.

I want to thank all my executive team for all their great efforts, energy and enthusiasm to work as a team to realize our objectives for women’s empowerment and gender equality. And, as always, I end my messages with our African proverb: “If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

With all my very warm regards to all of you my great sisters across the world.

Dr. Amany Asfour
International President
BPW International 2017-2020

Recent President’s Travel

15th Anniversary BPW Moscow, Russia on 20 October 2018
President Amany and Regional Coordinator Pinella Bombaci who attended this celebration. The meeting was chaired by BPW Moscow President, Irina Arsentyeva.

The 12th BPW Danube Net Business women Forum 2018 in Budapest, Hungary on 15-17 Nov 2018
President Amany, Regional Coordinator Pinella and Executive Finance Officer Guiseppina Seidita attended this Forum. The meeting was chaired by Marion Volk.

BPW Mediterranean Symposium 2018 in Nicosia, Cyprus on 23-24 Nov 2018
President Amany, Vice Presidents Catherine and Susan, BPW members from Athens, Thessaloniki, Malta, France and Italy attended this symposium, which was chaired by BPW Cyprus President, Mary Papadopoulou

Visit President’s Travel at www.bpw-international.org/index.php/activities/presidents-travel for news since 2017
Warmest Greetings from Australia!

As Membership Chair, I would like to share some exciting news of the membership growth within BPW International since the election of the new Executive Board during the BPW International Congress in Cairo, October 2017.

The International Federation of Business and Professional Women was founded in 1930 in Geneva by Lena Madesin Phillips. Over the past 88 years, it has grown into the largest international network of business and professional women with members in more than 100 countries, across five regions.

Since October we have received enquiries to form new Affiliate Clubs in many new countries including: Anguilla, Congo, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, Liberia, Libya, Malawi, Qatar, Syria, Tanzania, and Zambia.

Applications have been received to form new Affiliate Clubs where we have existing clubs but no Federation including: Burkina Faso, Cameroon, India, Malaysia, Panama, Peru, South Africa, the Philippines and United Arab Emirates.

Under the Constitutional Guidelines, a country can apply to be a Federation where there are more than 100 members and at least three Affiliate Clubs and this triennium we are delighted to welcome our first Country Federation, BPW Lebanon. During the last triennium, we approved three new affiliate clubs in Lebanon and the new Federation was approved and warmly welcomed in April 2018. In the coming months, as more new affiliate clubs are approved, we hope to welcome Federations in the Philippines, Burkina Faso and Malaysia.

During the following weeks, I will be introducing each of the new clubs that have been approved and asking you to join me in welcoming them into the BPW sisterhood. For those of you attending the BPW Leaders’ Summit in New York 8th- 9th March 2019, I look forward very much to seeing you there.

Newest BPW Federation: BPW Lebanon

Please join us in welcoming our newest Federation, BPW Lebanon. For BPW International establishing BPW Lebanon has been a dream fulfilled for our founder Lena Madesin Phillips, who died on her way to the Middle East while seeking to establish a BPW presence in Lebanon in 1955.

On the 18 September 2018, BPW Lebanon held their first Equal Pay Day Campaign. The first Equal Pay Campaign in the Middle East, a historic event for BPW. Congratulations to President Carmen Zogheib and the members of BPW Lebanon.

BPW international welcomes our newest country to BPW’s Global network: BPW Tbilisi, Georgia

Please welcome to BPW sisterhood, BPW Tbilisi President, Ekaterine Maisuradze, a doctor by profession, a woman who connects continents by promoting Georgia and other countries in Asia and Africa. Ekaterine (Katrina) is the president of the first BPW club in Georgia. Congratulations BPW Tbilisi and welcome to BPW International.
As Vice President United Nations, I organized this year for the first time our presence at CSW. Knowing how important our advocacy during CSW is, we decided to nominate experts from the five regions as delegates who have projects in the field of the main or the review theme of CSW 62.

These were this year “Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls” as the main theme and “Participation in and access of women to the media, and information and communications technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women (agreed conclusions of the forty-seventh session)” as the review theme.

We had overall 40 delegates (including the BPW members in the country delegations) who attended the first week of CSW. Additionally, to the 20 badges for the IFBPW delegates, our Regional Coordinator Abla Mahdi left spaces designated for her organization HAWA to us.

A big thank you to Regional Coordinator Abla!

A slightly bitter taste was left by the fact that the USA had refused approximately 100 women a visa to enter the country. Among these were 10 BPW members from Nepal and the Republic of Congo. NGO CSW New York is inquiring into the situation very closely and will try to find a better way to remedy the situation next year.

IFBPW hosted all together ten side and parallel events. Our experts got a chance to present their projects and to exchange their views with other rural women. (See the list at http://bit.do/BPW-Parallel-CSW62)

In the second week of CSW the BPW group decreased considerably. The remaining members tried to have impact on the wording of the agreed conclusions which were issued on March 23, 2018 (See text www.bpw-un.org). We were all very satisfied that CSW 62 closed with pertinent agreed conclusions.

CSW 63 will take place in New York during March 11-22, 2019. Save the dates! The Leaders’ Summit will take place on March 8-9, 2019 and the Claire Fulcher Dinner on March 10, 2019.

• The Priority theme is: “Social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls”
• The Review theme is: “Women’s empowerment and the link to sustainable development (agreed conclusions of the sixtieth session)”

Background papers of the Expert group are uploaded under https://www.bpw-un.org/csw-63/
By Dr. Antoinette Rüegg, Past International President

BPW Leaders’ Summit 9-10 March 2018

According to the International Theme the first day was dedicated to the 18th Sustainable Development Goal, the Sustainable Development of BPW.

The participants have chosen their priorities among main and subtopics of the INDEX of the text “Sustainable Development of BPW” or “1930-2018-2030: Future of BPW?” https://www.bpw-development-blog.org/texts/

The Summit participants have chosen the following main topics: BPW Treasures (78), Members (65), Communication, Digital Age (62), Leaders, Leadership (60), An Organization as a tool to reach the BPW goal (56), Finances (49), Nature of BPW Goal (46), Cooperation, Partnerships (24). Different issues were discussed in breakout sessions.

Issues of the sustainable development of BPW can be discussed on a BLOG www.bpw-development-blog.org You find discussions on

- **Leadership**: “Profile of a successful BPW Leader?”, “Support for BPW Leaders”
- **Members**: “Why is BPW not a place for every women?”, “Young BPW & 50+”, BPW unifies members from all cultures, religions, colours”
- **BPW goal**: “Nature of BPW goal”

All BPW are warmly welcome to join the discussion and to contribute.

You find the Leaders’ Summit program and the results on the international website www.bpw-international.org or on www.bpw-leaderssummit.org

Participants were encouraged to register all their Federation & Club Projects online www.bpw-projects.org

The second Summit day was dedicated to special topics of the International President and the Executive Board Members. Numerous members had the opportunity to present their projects. At the end of the day the participants listened to the UN CSW introduction (UN Conference on Status of Women) and important UN information. See www.bpw-international.org or www.bpw-un.org

More than 80 participants attended the BPW International Leaders’ Summit in New York. Participants came from 23 different countries such as Australia, Brazil, Cayman Island, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Egypt, France, Italy, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Philippines, Spain, St. Martin, Sudan, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand and USA.
Regional News

Africa

By Abla Mahdi, Africa Regional Coordinator

9-11 May 2018
The 10th African Union Private Sector Forum

President Amany Asfour, Vice President Catherine Bosshart and Africa regional coordinator Abla Mahdi and presidents of BPW Edéa, Cameroon; BPW Addis Ababa, BPW Ethiopia, BPW Rwanda, BPW Nigeria and BPW Dakar, Senegal attended the **The 10th African Union Private Sector Forum**, which was organized by the African Union Commission Economic Affairs in collaboration with BPW Egypt and Egyptian Business Women Association under the theme “Made in Africa towards realizing Africa’s economic Transformation and achieving AU Agenda 2063” during 9-11 May 2018 in Cairo, Egypt.

August 2018
BPW Sudan’s Conference

Africa Regional Coordinator, Abla Mahdi, participated in a Conference, “Eradication of Female Circumcision” in Sudan

September 2018
BPW Uganda’s Equal Pay Day Walk


20 October 2018

Ms Elisabeth Wambui Ndung’u, a member of BPW Nakuru, Kenya was recognized as a heroine during 2018 Kenyan National Heroes Day (Mashujaa Day) for her work. She served the terminally ill cancer patients for over a decade. Her mission is to ease the suffering of cancer patients by constructing a new Nakuru Hospice.

7-10 November 2018
BPW Morocco’s Medays Forum

President of BPW Morocco Fatiha Otmane organized Medays Forum, which was attended by H.E. President of Burkina Faso, BPW International President Amany Asfour, BPW Bahrain President Sheikha Hind Bent Salman Al Khlifa, President of BPW Addis Ababa Hadia Gondji and BPW members from Sudan.
Asia-Pacific

By Dr. Narudee Kiengsiri, Asia-Pacific Regional Coordinator

23-25 March 2018

BPW Nepal Women Enterprise & Leadership Development Training

BPW Nepal and Business Service Center (BSC) has organized 3 days “Women Enterprise and Leadership Development Training” for women tea growers of Tinjure Tea Cooperative, Ilam. The training program was held in coordination with Tinjure Tea Cooperative. During the training, Ms. Chularat Israngkool Na Ayutthaya, ASEAN Sub-Regional Coordinator and Ms. Wiphada Lehmann, expert/proprietor of CAMELIA Tea House, Switzerland shared their experiences of the international market scenario of organic tea and technique of market promotion. The training program was supported by the Australian Embassy to Nepal/DAP project.

5-8 May 2018

BPW Bahrain’s 2nd Business and Professional Women Forum 2018

Sheikha Hind bint Salman Al Khalifa, President of BPW Bahrain welcomed delegates from 17 countries to attend the 2nd Business and Professional Women Forum during 5-8 May 2018. The forum discussed FinTech, the Sustainability & Start-ups future and Women in Leadership. Dr. Amany Asfour was congratulated as the first Arab President of the International Federation of Business and Professional Women. Maryam M. Al-Rumaithi, was also congratulated as the President of the new BPW Abu Dhabi, UAE.

18 July 2018

BPW Thailand Award Ceremonies and 2nd Phase of Financial Inclusion MOU Signing Ceremony.

BPW Thailand organized Outstanding Awards to Business and Professional Women, Outstanding Women in Green Growth and Women Lead Businesses in Financial Inclusion received recognition Awards. The 2 individuals that were great supporters of Financial Inclusion Training were Dr. Chonchanok Viravan and Ms. Piyaporn Krongjan, SET.

September 2018

BPW Philippines formed 2 new Clubs in Philippines

Congratulations to two new clubs in Philippines, BPW Rizal and BPW Dipolog. The President of BPW Rizal is Myrna T. Yao (left). The President of BPW Dipolog is Evelyn Uy (right).

29 October – 1 November 2018

BPW International Asia-Pacific Regional Conference (APRC 2018)

Over 500 business & professional women from 40 countries attended BPW International APRC 2018 at the Grand Hyatt Erawan Bangkok Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand. Three Princesses of Thailand presided over this 3-day conference. The conference featured over 30 speakers in the program:

Panel I: “Women Accelerating Advancement toward Sustainable Development Goals In Asia and the Pacific”
Panel II: “The Keys to Open New doors for Business and Employment Opportunities for Women”
Panel IV: “Financial Inclusion for Gender Equality and Poverty Alleviation”

APRC 2018 also featured Leaders’ Summit Session with Panel on “Opportunities to Realize SDGs through BPW Activities and International Partners” and a brain Storming Session: “Advancing BPW towards Sustainable Development Goals +1”
November 2017
**DANBENET 11th Forum of business women and business women Forum**

BPW Pula with BPW Austria organized the eleventh BPW DANUBENET Business Forum in Vienna, Austria. The theme of the Forum was “Women in the Digital Economy: Skills, Empowerment, Employment.”

November 2017
**BPW Estonia celebrated the 25th Anniversary with the Conference: “Woman and career. Do I have a chance?”**

The European Coordinator Pinella Bombaci with the President of BPW Estonia Anu Viks and the delegation of the Russian Societies (Moscow, Tomsk and St. Petersburg).

January - March 2018
**Preparation of Presidents’ Meeting and Young BPW Symposium**

The ECC made every effort to prepare the Presidents’ Meeting, the BPW Young Symposium 2018 in Vienna and the 2019 European Conference in Galway, Ireland. Thanks to Alexandra, Kikoula and Benedetta!

March 8, 2018
**Malta The Career Day** with the participation of the President of Malta Republic Marie Louise Coleiro Preca and the Countess of Wessex.

April 2018
**Presidents’ Meeting and Young BPW Symposium in Vienna**

The meeting of the Presidents and the Young Symposium in Vienna, Austria: two parallel events to share common moments of friendship between young people and less young people!

April 2018
**The General Assembly of BPW Italy and the Conference** were held in Ischia on the theme: “Female creativity and the culture of innovation as drivers of different social economic development”.

April 2018
**BPW Prague II: 9th Annual Conference on Equal Pay Day**

June 2018
BPW Europe attended the **EWL event at the European Parliament in Brussels** on the theme: “Women RE Shaping”.

**BPW Riga Latvia 25th Anniversary BPW Latvia Conference**

BPW Riga Latvia celebrated its 25th anniversary with a conference on “The Woman as a Conservative of Cultural and Historical Heritage” in Riga with the President Inga Pumphure (Last right).
North America and the Caribbean

By Dawne Williams, N. America and the Caribbean Regional Coordinator

Thanks for the opportunity to serve as a Regional Coordinator for the triennium 2017 - 2020. I vow to continue the journey started over 88 years ago by Dr. Lena Madesin Phillips.

Thanks to the Regional Committee, for taking this journey with me. What an absolute privilege to have such an experienced team!

Jill Worobec - Canada Dr. Christine Walwyn – Caribbean
Francesca Burack – USA Angelina Gracy Sookoo - Caribbean
Linda Davis - National President Canada Sandra Thompson - National President USA

We have adopted the Triennium theme: “Empowering Women to realize the Sustainable Development Goals SDGs.”

8 March 2018
BPW St. Kitts March to Stop Violence Against Women

BPW St. Kitts organized the march to Stop Violence Against Women on International Women’s Day. The march started from St. Georges Anglican Church, ending at Independence Square. Many BPW St. Kitts members participated in this event.

20-22 July 2018
NFBPWC General Meeting and BPW International N. America and the Caribbean Regional Conference

NFBPWC organized the 2018 NFBPWC General Meeting and BPW International N. America and the Caribbean Regional Conference in Orlando, Florida. Join this triennial conference for two phenomenal days of professional development, advocacy, learning, networking, and exhibitors. Partake of a program of thought leadership and education with women from over 18 countries. Engage in the National and International initiatives, including the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. A great line up of speakers will discuss the latest thinking around gender diversity and women in the economy, making this an event not to be missed by anyone.

10-12 August 2018
BPW Canada’s 46th Biennial National Convention in Ottawa, Canada

Regional Coordinator Dawne Williams and Finance Officer Christine Walwyn attended BPW Canada’s 46th Biennial National Convention in Ottawa, Canada at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier. The opening ceremony was presided over by the Chief Commissioner of the Canadian Human Rights Commission and the Mayor of Ottawa. Linda Davis was elected as President of BPW Canada for the term 2018-2020. Jenny Gulamani-Abdulla, Immediate Past President has now become the Chairperson of a newly formed taskforce at BPW International called “Women Migrants and Global Citizenship”. In addition to the 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, BPW Canada hosted an SDG Gala to highlight the 17 Sustainable Development Goals featuring a keynote address by the first female First Nations Senator of Canada, The Honorable Lillian Eva Dyck with remarks from Councillor Marianne Wilkinson and the 2017 Recipient of the BPW Canada Centennial Award, Carleton University’s Centre for Women in Politics and Public Leadership’s Executive Director Clare Beckton.
Latin America

By Diana Barragan, Latin America Regional Coordinator

24 March 2018
BPW International campaigns: Equal Pay Day

BPW Argentina organized Equal Pay Day Campaign. BPW Argentina celebrated Equal Pay Day by distributing red bags as the symbol of the red numbers in women’s pockets.

June 2018
Launching of Project “Quality School for Women”

BPW Tacna invited the Regional Coordinator to the official launching of the project “Quality School for Women” that took place on June 9, 2018. In the photos: Diana Barragan, Regional Coordinator, Milagros Pimentel, President of BPW Tacna and Tacna authorities.

Currently, the school has graduated two groups of women entrepreneurs.

26 August 2018
BPW Latin America celebrates BPW International 88th Anniversary

BPW members in various Affiliates in Latin America celebrated BPW International 88th Anniversary.

Photo (Left): BPW Brazil;
Photo (Right): BPW Santo Domingo
Photo: BPW Mar del Plata

Affiliates also work toward BPW International goals.
BPW Santo Domingo organized a workshop for Small Businesses.

November 2018
CONFAM – Brazil

BPW Brazil organized the National Conference (CONFAM) with almost 300 participants from all over the country. The Regional Coordinator, Diana Barragan also attended this meeting. During their conference, all the Clubs reported about their achievements. New Clubs were welcomed to the Federation.

Photos (Above): Members of BPW Brazil;
Photo (Below): Regional Coordinator Diana Barragan with BPW Brazil President Eunice Cruz

New Clubs in Affiliates:

BPW Brazil has six new Clubs, which takes the Membership to 20 clubs. In BPW Argentina two clubs are forming. In BPW Ecuador two Clubs are also in process. Congratulations to BPW Brazil, BPW Argentina and BPW Ecuador !!
By Neelima Basnet, Young BPW International Representative

5-7 July 2018
15th Annual International Human Rights Summit
Theme: 70th Anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on 10 December 1948. In the past seven decades, we have seen the human rights movement and its violation in many places. The 70th Anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate its success and recommit ourselves to the principle outlined in the declaration’s 30 articles so that we can make human rights a fact and not an idealistic dream. The 70th Anniversary of the UDHR was the theme of the 15th Annual Human Rights Summit of Youth at United Nations. Youth from 53 countries gained knowledge and skills to fully implement human rights education in their countries.

“Breaking New Ground for Sustainable Development” was the theme of the 22nd session of the youth assembly at the United Nations. Delegates from more than 100 countries were present to promote mutual understanding and collaboration between young people and key stakeholders in global development to support the SDG’s of the United Nations.

12 August 2018
United Nations International Youth Day

The theme for United Nations International Youth Day 2018 was “Safe Space for Youth”. Youth need safe spaces where they can come together, engage in activities related to their diverse needs and interests, participate in decision-making processes and freely express themselves.

10-12 August 2018
46th Biennial National BPW Canada Convention 2018

BPW Canada marked the 70th Anniversary of UDHR at the Global Center for Pluralism in Ottawa during the opening ceremony of the 46th Biennial National BPW Canada Convention 2018 held during August 10-12.

Chief Commissioner Marie Claude Landry from the Canadian Human Rights Commission stressed the importance of collaboration and partnerships among stakeholders to promote human rights for all.

31 October 2018
APRC 2018 Young BPW Breakfast with International President

During APRC 2018 in Bangkok, over 30 Young BPW members in Asia-Pacific including Neelima Basnet, Young BPW Representative and Vivien Johnson, Young BPW Asia-Pacific Representative enjoyed Breakfast with International President Dr. Amany Asfour. The total young BPW attended APRC 2018 was 50 members

Video of Neelima’s Journey

Watch this video of Neelima’s journey Oct 2017-Nov 2018 to see how BPW allows ordinary women to do extra ordinary things
https://youtu.be/uNlkNFeOnuo
**BPW Activities & SDG 3**

**Deworming of children and adults by BPW Nigeria**

In April 2018, BPW Abuja Karu Golden and Satellite Clubs deworming over 1,000 children and women in rural communities in Abuja villages of Papalandna, Ageita, Jahi, Pabeyi and Tawagi. This is to help prevent the negative effects worm infestation have on children's and adult's health, nutrition, cognitive abilities and productivity in the community.

**Health Awareness Campaign Against Cancer by BPW Dakar, Senegal**

BPW Dakar in Senegal raised awareness against cancer under leadership of BPW Senegal’s President Fatou Cisse and in partnership with the League Against Cancer on 4 October 2018.

**Empowering Girls in School through Sanitary Pads By BPW Mwanza, Tanzania**

In rural area, girls would either skip school or use unsanitary materials when they menstruate. This poses a serious threat to their life. BPW members in Tanzania recognize this health risks and provide Sanitary Pads for girls in schools in Mwanza to combat this problem.

**More BPW Projects for SDG 3**

- Early Screening for Breast Cancer by BPW Egypt
- BPW - Osteoporosis detección and HPV (Human Papilloma Virus) vaccination campaign by BPW Mexico
- Female Hygienic Project by BPW Delhi, India
- dinner@home for “Shelter for Abused Women” by BPW Davos Klosters, Switzerland
- Five Challenges to become ECO Hero by BPW Belgium
- Programme for Cervical Cancer Prevention by BPW Cyprus
- BPW Women's Wellness Campaign by BPW St. Kitts and Nevis
- Health Clinics with free medicines and transportation by BPW Pakistan etc.

As BPW International Triennium Theme 2017-2020 is “Empowering Women to Realize the Sustainable Development Goals”, it is important to make BPW contribution to SDGs clearly visible. To achieve this, BPW Affiliates are invited to register their projects with respect to SDGs at www.bpw-projects.org
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Calendar of Events

8-9 March 2019 BPW Leaders’ Summit 2019 New York, USA
10 March 2019 Claire Fulcher Dinner New York, USA
11-22 March 2019 63rd Session of UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) New York, USA
5-7 April 2019 80th Anniversary of BPW New Zealand Wellington, New Zealand
8 April 2019 Oceania Sub-Regional Conference Wellington, New Zealand
23-25 April 2019 5th Anniversary of the Mediterranean Network of Business and Professional Women Meeting in honor of Past International President Livia Ricci Cairo, Egypt
24-26 May 2019 European Regional Conference 2019 Galway, Ireland
13-15 Sept 2019 Latin America Regional Conference Quito, Ecuador
Oct 2019 Africa Regional Conference Sudan

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