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Marie-Claude Machon-Honore, Candidate for Vice President United Nations, BPW International

Last name and first name	MACHON-HONORE, Marie-Claude
Member of	BPW Paris
Nominated by	Agnes Bricard, President BPW France
Consent of own Affiliate	Nominated by her own affiliate
BPW Offices held	<p>Club: PARIS, Ile De France Member joining in 2008 (Representative to UNESCO as from 2010)</p> <p>Federation:BPW France Representative to UNESCO as from 2010</p> <p>International: IFBPW Permanent Representative to UNESCO from 2012 to 2016 IFBPW permanent representative to UNESCO and Elected member of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee on behalf of the IFBPW from 2016 to 2018 Elected Chair of the International Conference of NGOs and of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee in December 2018 (presented by IFBPW) From 2018 to 2020</p>
Positions in other Voluntary Organizations	Supporting member of REPH (Reussir l'Egalite Femmes Hommes) [to Achieve equality between women and men] 2019-2020
Related Experience / Qualifications (e.g. CV, resume)	<p>BPW France member since 2008 and BPW International permanent representative to UNESCO since 2012. Chair of the International Conference of NGOs and the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee presented by IFBPW and elected in December 2018 at the International Conference of NGOs for a two year mandate. Oral statements on the UNESCO strategic transformation of partnerships and key role of NGOs in official partnership at the 12th Intergovernmental Committee on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions, the plenary of the 40th General Conference, the PNG Committee and Executive Board 206 sessions etc</p> <p>Elected NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee member (2016-2018) on behalf of</p>





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IFBPW, in charge of communication and the CCONG/Education 2030 (member of the coordination group)
Panellist on behalf of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee at the last two CCNGO EPA/Education 2030 global meetings in Siem Reap (Cambodia May 2017) and in Hammamet (Tunisia, December 2019), at the global education meeting in Brussels (Belgium, December 2018) as well as the national seminar of the UNESCO Associated Schools Project Network (French National Commission for UNESCO, Sevres, February 2018) and on behalf of BPW France too.

Oral and written contributions to IFBPW statements on education, lifelong learning, TVET and Women in STEM (member of BPW Taskforce on Women in STEM) and advocacy in the French delegation at CSW 59, 61, 62.

Co-leader of several international forums organized by NGOs in partnership with UNESCO including the forum on the role of women in fighting poverty in June 2015 at UNESCO Headquarters, the forum on climate change in December 2017 (Two thematic sessions on “The role in civil society in climate change” and the forum on science in December 2018 in Moscow.
Presentations on behalf of NGOs and Women for Water Partnership at COP21, UNESCO Pavilion, November 2015 and contribution to the NGO-UNESCO declaration on climate change.

Academic presentations and research

Panellist at the Edition 2014 of bi-annual meetings of the contemporary Commonwealth of Nations, organized by the University of Paris Diderot on *The Commonwealth and the United Nations Organisations; A comparative study of Partnerships and Actions in Development – Achievements, challenges and perspectives in the Caribbean*

Article for *The Round table (Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs)*: Book review on *Women in Caribbean Politics*, ed Cynthia Barrow-Giles, Feb 2012.

Presentation on "Commerce and Trade: The role of education in the context of female migration", The Institute of Commonwealth Studies, London, July 2010.

Presentation on "The role of education in the development of women", Institute of Gender and Development Studies, Cave Hill, UWI, July 2008.

Professional Qualifications:

June 2012: Doctorate in Anglophone studies -Sorbonne Paris IV-France:

The role of education in the development of women in the Anglophone Caribbean in the 21st century July 2009: Diploma in Gender and Development Studies, Institute of Gender and Development Studies (University of the West Indies).

October 2002: DEA (Post Graduate Degree) in Anglophone studies - Sorbonne Paris IV-France
The role of the Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG) in British





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	<p>civil society October 1978: Master's degree in English economics - University Lille III-France</p>
<p>Statement by Candidate (Maximum 500 words)</p>	<p>I am standing for the position of UN Vice-President as a natural step further in my long standing commitment to advocating for the right to education for all and girls in particular, gender equality, women’s role and leadership in development and the key role of CSOs to advance human rights and reach out to vulnerable and marginalized groups for development and peace.</p> <p>It seems the timely and right thing for me to apply for the position of UN VP with my academic background and experience as a volunteer and representative of BPW since 2010, as member of the EFA NGO working group at UNESCO, accredited permanent representative of IFBPW following the 2011 Directives on NGO-UNESCO Partnership , elected member of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee in 2016 and elected Chair of the ICNGO and NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee in December 2018.</p> <p>My long time and diverse experience with a UN agency aligned with the UN strategy and 2030 Agenda has helped me to gradually understand how the UN system works. As member of the coordination group of the CCNGO on behalf of the Liaison Committee, I have been active at advocating collectively for the role of civil society in education and able to converse with education ministers and member states’ permanent delegations and other UN agencies’ representatives who are in the SDG4 Steering Committee.</p> <p>As member of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee I was active in all international NGO-UNESCO forums and the co-pilot of three, organising sessions and panels in which I had IFBPW represented, at the highest level and from different regions, thus promoting IFBPW’s advocacy, actions and visibility.</p> <p>As Chair of the ICNGO and of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee, my duty is to represent the interests of 393 NGOs to UNESCO and Member States.</p> <p>I have been investing much of my time at UNESCO because I believe in its universal values of human rights and peace and leadership in Education, Science, Culture and Communication. I have come to realise that we as an international NGO in official partnership with UNESCO and member of ECOSOC have a duty to contribute to its reflexion and implementation of its programmes as aligned with the UN.</p> <p>I believe in the ‘soft power’ of the UN and its agencies and in the role of civil society. I think we, as IFBPW members, should all work together as a long experienced NGO with a good reputation and expertise among our members and strengthen our leadership for gender equality in the social, economic and political field. IFPW’s ability to gather synergies and mobilise our federations and clubs throughout the world as well as cooperate with other NGOs will benefit girls’ education, women’s participation in development and through leadership in all areas.</p>





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	<p>I believe in collective action, sharing knowledge, communication and transparency. I also believe in intergenerational dialogue and transmission. I also believe in intercultural dialogue.</p> <p>I believe in leaving no one behind for sustainable development and peace and I believe together we can make a difference.</p>
<p>A written Supporting statement (Maximum 200 words) by nominating affiliate</p>	<p>As BPW France president, I support the submission of Marie-Claude Machon-Honore's application for the position of BPW International United Nations Vice-President.</p> <p>Marie-Claude Machon-Honore was accredited BPW International permanent representative to UNESCO in 2012, following the new directives on partnership. She has committed herself to education for all and for girls in particular, lifelong learning and leadership of women, gender equality on behalf of BPW France and BPW International.</p> <p>Over time, she has been able to take advantage of her training with BPW to advocate for the empowerment of women and their leadership and was thus elected member of the Liaison Committee on behalf of IFBPW with the second highest score in 2016 and Chair of the ICNGO and the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee in 2018. She has been able to federate NGO partners and BPW representatives throughout the world by inviting them to the Forums to advocate for themselves.</p> <p>It is a journey of personal, academic and humanistic commitment which has taken her where she is now and which she should naturally continue in the position of BPW International Vice President-United Nations to raise the voice of women still higher.</p> <p><i>Agnes Brichard</i> <i>President BPW France</i></p>

