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Naphaphen VEJJAJIVA, Candidate for Chair of Standing Committee on Projects, BPW International

Last name and first name	VEJJAJIVA, Naphaphen
Member of	BPW Bangkok, BPW Thailand
Nominated by	Khunying Natthika Wattanavekin Angubonkul, President BPW Thailand
Consent of own Affiliate	Nominated by her own Affiliate
BPW Offices held	<p>Local Club: BPW Bangkok</p> <p>Vice President, From 2009 – Present</p> <p>International Relations Chairperson From 2007 – 2013</p> <p>Project Chair – Give Women a Second Chance Project From 2004 – Present</p> <p>Young BPW Chairperson From 2003 – 2009</p> <p>Young BPW Assistant Chair From 1999 – 2003</p> <p>Federation: BPW Thailand</p> <p>International Relations Chairperson From 2011 – Present</p> <p>Young BPW Chairperson From 2005 – 2011</p> <p>Young BPW Central Sub-Region Chair From 1999 – 2005</p> <p>Region: Asia Pacific</p> <p>Handling Registration for Asia Pacific Regional Conference in Bangkok, Thailand in 2018</p> <p>International:</p> <p>Project Chair, BPW International From 2008 – 2011</p> <p>Permanent Representative to UNESCAP From 2002 – 2011</p> <p>Alternative Representative to UNESCAP From 1996 – 2002</p>
Positions in other Voluntary Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 2020 Host Committee Team, Global Summit of Women, Bangkok, Thailand ➤ 2019 Registration Admin, AWEN – ASEAN Women Entrepreneurs Network ➤ 2009 – 2012 Executive Board & Deputy Secretary General – Foreign Affairs, The National Council of Women of Thailand (NCWT) ➤ 2006 – 2009 Secretary Baan Phrakanrunanivas Cttee, NCWT





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 2015 – 2018 UN Cttee Chairman for Zonta Area 6 District 17 ➤ 2011 – 2013 Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship Committee Chairman (JMK Chairman) for Zonta Area 6 District 17 ➤ 2009 Program Chairman for 15th Zonta International District 17 Conference in Thailand ➤ 2013 – 2015 Project Chair, Zonta Bangkok 5 ➤ 2012 – Present Advisor, Zonta Bangkok 5 ➤ 2010 – 2012 President, Zonta Bangkok 5 ➤ 2008 – 2010 President Elect, Zonta Bangkok 5 ➤ 2006 – 2008 Vice President, Zonta Bangkok 5 ➤ 2004 – 2006 Project Chair, Zonta Bangkok 5 ➤ 2008 – 2018 Cttee Member, League of Foundation of Thailand under The Royal Patronage of His Majesty the King ➤ 2007 – 2012 Member of BNI – Business Network International ➤ 2015 – 2018 Member of Lions Club Donmuang ➤ 2016 – Present Member of Business Sharing Group ➤ 2016 – Present Member of ETA & Business Sharing Group
<p>Related Experience / Qualifications (e.g. CV, resume)</p>	<p>I joined BPW Bangkok in 1996 and now I am now serving as Vice President. I was BPW International Project Chair 2008 – 2011. I was also Permanent Representative to UNESCAP for 9 years and Alternate Representative for 6 years. My related experience is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conducting Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give Women a Second Chance Project I have been a project leader for BPW Bangkok’s “<i>Give Women a Second Chance Project</i>” for 15 years to train women inmates for 4 Women’s Correctional Institutions in Thailand, which provided training to approximately 2,000 women inmates annually, total over 23,000 women inmates and 200 government officials. The training certificates can be used to lower their sentences in prison and support them to find a job. This project won the <i>BPW Power to Make a Difference – Excellent Project, First Place Award</i> at BPW International Congress in Mexico in 2008. • Annual Fundraising supporting the Thai Red Cross Society: I currently earned the <i>Thai Red Cross Badge of Honour Award, Class 2 and Class 3.</i> • Waste to Wealth: From Fish Scales to Flowers Project. I developed this <i>BPW Bangkok-BPW Cairo, Egypt’s Twinning Project</i> Which turns waste from fish scales into artificial flowers. BPW Bangkok will provide the trainer, while BPW Cairo finds funding support and finds rural women to get training.





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BPW Thailand’s “Promoting Financial Discipline” Project, where I was an assistant trainer. <p>2. Fund Raising for Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2011, I organized a “<i>Flood Disaster Relief Project supporting Women and Elderly Women Flood Victims</i>” in 6 Provinces in Thailand. <p>In 2015, I helped initiate fundraising for BPW Nepal’s Earthquake Disaster Relief Project to help women suffering from the disaster in Thailand, where BPW Thailand raised USD 14,000 for BPW Nepal.</p> <p>3. Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For nearly 10 years I taught Air Force Nursing College students about NGO activities and how to create projects to help their communities. • I organized training on “<i>Basic Self Defence Training to help End Violence against Women</i>” for BPW-owned companies in Thailand during 2009-2010. <p>4. Coordinating BPW/International Network:</p> <p>Have experience in coordinating with BPW Affiliates in over 100 countries during 2005-2020 in the role of Director of President’s Office (2005 – 2008), Registration admin for BP Congresses, Leaders’ Summits and Asia Pacific Regional Conference. I attended 5 BPW International Congresses, 4 Asia Pacific Regional Conferences, 1 Sub Regional Conference and 2 Young BPW International Meetings. I was a speaker and/or moderator on BPW Projects in the majority of these events. I have also attended 7 CSW Meetings in New York.</p> <p>5. Promoting Projects:</p> <p>I collect BPW Projects information to be posted on BPW International Social Media and Website. I inspired members to do projects and submit projects for <i>BPW Power to Make a Difference Awards</i>.</p> <p>6. Other Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 “<i>Outstanding Thai Women Award</i>” from the Thai Chamber of Commerce • 2011 “<i>Outstanding Social Workers of the Year Award</i>” in the category Volunteer Social Workers from Professor Pakorn Angsusingha Foundation • 2005 Beyond 2000: Helping Women Help Themselves “<i>Outstanding Young BPW Leaders</i>”, Second Place, at the XXV BPW International Congress in Luzern, Switzerland.
<p>Statement by Candidate (Maximum 500 words)</p>	<p>1. My Motivation to be Candidate for Project Chair</p> <p>My personal goal is to help less fortunate women and children to live a better life and to find a way to increase their family income, so that they will be able to sustain themselves and have less chance to</p>





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suffer from domestic violence and have equal rights and equal opportunities in life. Moreover, to help increase leadership potential for women and children, and encourage them to do projects to support climate change, so that we will suffer less from natural disasters.

With over 20 years of membership with BPW, I look at BPW International and UN goals and create projects to be in line with the goals. Attending BPW local, national, regional and international level, including other NGOs and UN, Meetings over a long period of time, allowed me to create friendship and friendly networks with many people. I would like to encourage BPW members to do more projects and share best practices. I want to make your project well-known at international level. This is the reason that I am running for Project Chair.

2. My Ambition and Goals

Activities that I am aiming to achieve as Project Chair:

- Encourage BPW Affiliates to share their projects on the BPW International Project Page
- Assist in gathering project information world-wide for an online project system (as already initiated by Past International President Antoinette Ruegg) and for submission for BPW International awards, such as ***BPW Power to Make a Difference***
- Make BPW Projects visible to BPW Affiliates and members through other channels, such as BPW Website, Facebook, etc
- Encourage Twinning Clubs to create Twinning Projects / Activities to contribute to SDGs
- Promote success stories for replication among BPW Affiliates relationship by projects knowledge sharing
- Assist BPW Affiliates to formulate projects in response to natural disasters in order to raise funds to help women to help themselves in the affected area among BPW network and other international communities
- Assist BPW Affiliates to create projects relating to the 17 SDGs – the Sustainable Development Goals.
- Identify qualified BPW Projects and advise BPW Affiliates to nominate them for International Awards Competition
- Coordinate with BPW International Vice President UN to make BPW Affiliates’ Projects more visible at the UN, to identify possible sources of funds for BPW Projects from the UN and introduce BPW Projects best practices to various UN Agencies
- Coordinate and collaborate with BPW International VP Membership to promote BPW Projects as a means to attract new members or involve existing members
- Assist in identifying sources of funding support for BPW Affiliates’ Projects
- Follow up on Projects progress reports, especially those that receive BPW funding.





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A written Supporting statement (Maximum 200 words) by nominating affiliate

I am pleased to nominate Mrs Naphaphen Vejjajiva as candidate for Standing Committee Chair – Projects 2020 to 2023.

Naphaphen led BPW Bangkok’s award winning project “**Give Women a Second Chance**” over the past 15 years. This project offers training to women inmates so that they can earn a living once they have served their sentence. This project won several awards, including **BPW Power to Make a Difference, Excellent Project, First Place in 2008**.

In the past decade, she has inspired people to develop projects to help people in their communities. In 2015, after Nepal’s major earthquake, she helped initiate fund raising efforts in BPW Thailand, resulting in a USD 14,000 donation for BPW Nepal’s Earthquake Disaster Relief Project.

In the past 15 years, Naphaphen has experience of communicating with BPW Affiliates in over 100 countries while serving as Director of President’s Office in 2005-2008 and as Communication Administrator in 2017-2020.

Naphaphen’s social work has been recognized with several awards, including “**Outstanding Social Worker of the Year Award**” in the category Volunteer Social Workers from the Professor Pakorn Angsusingha Foundation.

I have great confidence that Naphaphen can be an asset for BPW International in the role of Standing Committee Project Chair.

*Khunying Natthika Wattanavekin Angubonkul
President, BPW Thailand*

