





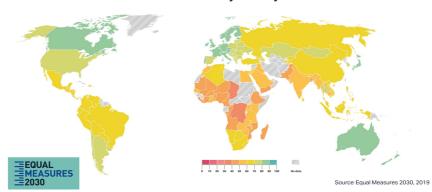




Dear TWF friends

2019 SDG GENDER INDEX

Index scores by country



Measuring Gender Equality Worldwide

"Gender equality is more than a goal in itself. It is a precondition for meeting the challenge of reducing poverty, promoting sustainable development and building good governance" — Kofi Annan, former UN secretary-general

We are failing billions of women and girls to reach a fair future, according to the SDG Gender Index – the first global index that measures the state of gender equality globally. Nearly 2.8 billion women and girls, or around 80% of the world's female population, live in countries with substandard levels of gender equality, ranging from "poor" to "very poor", a new report from Equal Measures 2030 shows.

The Index measured progress in 129 countries in reaching gender equality based on 14 of the United Nation's 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These include issues spanning health, gender-based violence, climate change and decent work, among others. The SDGs were established in 2015 in an effort to boost global living standards for women and girls by 2030.



UPCOMING EVENT

30% Club Boardroom Lunch

TWF and the 30% Club HK are delighted to announce the 7th Annual Boardroom Lunch. Table hosts and participants show their commitment to increasing gender diversity in the boardroom by supporting this Lunch. It connects accomplished Women Leaders from a TWF curated database with Board chairs, Board directors, CEO's and senior corporate leaders of Hong Kong's leading companies in simulated boardroom discussions on key issues facing boards today.



TWF PROGRAMME UPDATES



Girls Go Tech School Programme Update - Teacher Workshop

Around 130 teachers from our GGT school partners - Hong Kong True Light College and Holy Trinity College - took part in a Teacher Workshop held this past Monday and Tuesday. They were amazed at the fun teaching possibilities using VR and AR, and found Google Expeditions and the use of a 360° camera very engaging. The workshop inspired teachers to integrate

technology into their teaching and lesson plans.

Mentoring Programme - Peer Panels: Disrupt Yourself for Growth

Last Tuesday, our mentors and protégés took part in the first Peer Panel event featuring our mentors Deepa Jivan, Michelle Comrie and Janice Lao. Panellists shared useful advice on how we can grow our careers and personal lives through change; and how to challenge the difficulties and fears associated with it. Huge thanks to Google for hosting.





Mentoring Programme - Dr. Ron Brown

Last Thursday, we were delighted to partner with the Asian American Journalists Association and welcome back Dr. Ron Brown to deliver an intimate lunchtime session on The Power of Relationships. Dr. Ron Brown is a psychologist who has served as consultant to major Fortune 100 companies for over 30 years. During the session, we discussed the importance of defining one's power objectives and tips on how to accumulate "actionable" relationships. Many thanks to Dr. Ron Brown for delivering yet another impactful and thought-provoking session and to White & Case for hosting.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



TWF CEO Speaks at SOPA Editorial Awards Gala Dinner

Last Wednesday, TWF CEO joined a panel discussion on the #MeToo movement in Asia at the SOPA Editorial Awards Gala Dinner. Moderated by Jodi Schneider | Bloomberg and speaking alongside Emily Steel | New York Times and Sandhya Menon | journalist and author the conversation looked at how the movement has evolved in Asia, some of its challenges and ways in which media can be more engaged on this issue.

IN THE COMMUNITY



WILHK Flexible and Agile Working Report Launch

Women in Law Hong Kong invite you to join their event on flexible and agile working, which will share their survey results and report, followed by group discussions and a plenary round-up. RSVP here.



Closing the Gap: A Cross-Disciplinary Panel Discussion on Gender Equality in Hong Kong

Join HKU's "Closing the Gap" panel discussion event focusing on gender equality and diversity in Hong Kong on June 25!

OPENING AT TWF

Programme Manager / Senior Programme Officer Opening

TWF is seeking a full-time Programme Manager to join its rapidly growing and dynamic team to plan and manage its innovative and impactful community programmes. Applications should be received by June 12, 2019.

Apply now

WHAT WE'RE READING

Gender Equality

- How Hong Kong barristers can strike a blow for gender equality by supporting a parental subsidy (SCMP)
- Japanese Women Want a Law Against Mandatory Heels at Work (NYT)
- What they did to me was so horrific': brutal silencing of a Saudi feminist (Guardian)
- The bosses who walk the walk on paternity leave (Wall Street Journal)
- Gender Equality Top 100: The World's Most Influential People in Global Policy 2019
- Not One Country Is on Track to Reach Its Goal of Gender Equality (Global Citizen)
- This Norwegian Soccer Superstar Is Sitting Out The Women's World Cup To Fight For Equality (Refinery29)

Sexual Harassment

- TV's Reckoning with #MeToo (New Yorker)
- #MeToo is letting women reporters be more open about sexual harassment, without fear of reprisal (WEF)

Masculinity

- How Have Men Changed After Generations Of Being Raised By Single Mothers? (MEL Magazine)
- <u>Seriously</u>, <u>Meryl Streep? 'Toxic masculinity' doesn't hurt men it kills them</u> (Guardian)

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