



Brief Report 2019 of the General Meeting of NGO "League of Professional Women" and Workshop on "Analytics on Women or Developed by Women in 2019"

The general meeting of our NGO has been successfully held on the evening of December 19, 2019 in Kyiv. We combined this year's general meeting with the "Women's Analytics or developed by women in 2019", which was registered as a *local event for the global Feminist and Women's Movement Action Plan to Beijing + 25*. This future Action Plan will be considered during the 64th session of the UN Committee on Women's Rights in New York (CSW64), 9-20 March 2020, where we plan to participate.

The results of early presidential reelections and the Board of NGO "League of Professional Women" (LPW) for a new term - 5 years, ie 2020-2024, were announced during this general meeting. The majority of the LPW members had voted online with newsletters (provided by the new version of LPW Statute), the results of voting has been approved on the day of the General Meeting 19.12.19. According to the results of the voting, the Board for 2020-2024 included: **Olena Lazorenko** (President and Chairman of the Board), Coordinators - **Valentyna Lehka** and **Olga Gomilko**.



We sincerely congratulate and wish you all the encouragement and drive in this volunteer community activity!

On behalf of the LPW, we are **thankful to Svitlana Olifira** for the four years of her devoted volunteer run for our Board as Communications Coordinator.



On the photos is the Board meeting in 28.12.2018: Olena, Svitlana and Valentyna; 19.12.2019 - Valentyna and Olena

During the Meeting the Olena Lazorenko, LPW President presented a slide report of projects realized during 2019, commented on major developments, advocacy and results that has been achieved within the current year activities of the LPW. You can find Olena's presentation and photos of the event online here in UA <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1hocDRUvOK9NoYN4Iqip4vbPhEtCYhYrX>



On the photo: Olena during her speech at General Meeting 19.12.19

The preparatory phase and creation of the publication "Beijing + 25 years on Parallel Report Ukraine 2014-2019" has been covered by Marfa Skoryk. An interesting report with significant results inspired the participants to further work of the LPW's members in this direction.



On the photo: Marfa during her speech at General Meeting 19.12.19 with Natalia & Olga.

Supplement to our NGO leader's overview of the 2019 LPW pilot project on women's mentorship was implemented by Olena Kudriashova. The details of this event testified the value of this form

of communication among the project participants and the desire of the LPW members to continue mentoring for multilateral wealth. This is where the task of finding donors for implementation of the next stage of such a project has appeared actual. Video of the first stage of the mentorship project is here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7N4z1qi2vPg>



On the photos: mentors and mentees in the mentoring walk & talk start in 10.03.19. Olena during her speech at General Meeting 19.12.19 with Olga and Ludmila.

Tetiana Abramova enthusiastically disclosed the opportunities of women's business in modern Ukraine, having outlined the challenges and summing up the potential that could be realized with the proper motivation and goalsetting.



On the photo: Tetiana during her speech at General Meeting 19.12.19 with Valentyna.

Olena Lazorenko focused on the characteristics of the third Ukrainian Political Uzvar workshop (Ukrainian stewed fruit compote) on "The Responsibility of Intellectuals - What Theories Do Affect the Society?" which took part 21.06.2019 in Kyiv. The event is in memory of the Professor Olena Lazorenko –Senior, Head LPW Consulting Group (1998-2012). Her profile in Wiki is here

https://uk.wikipedia.org/wiki/%D0%9B%D0%B0%D0%B7%D0%BE%D1%80%D0%B5%D0%BD%D0%BA%D0%BE_%D0%9E%D0%BB%D0%B5%D0%BD%D0%B0_%D0%92%D0%BE%D0%BB%D0%BE%D0%B4%D0%B8%D0%BC%D0%B8%D1%80%D1%96%D0%B2%D0%BD%D0%B0

Two attendees of the event added to the keynote speaker – Natalia Viatkina and Alla Kozhina. Event video is here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R3t1E8XmCx0>



On the photo: the participants of the 3rd Ukrainian Political Uzvar workshop 21.06.19

The effectiveness of the third Ukrainian Political Uzvar workshop was backed up by a blitz poll "Are you interested in continuing topics"? It results confirmed the desire of the LPW members and the Advisers to continue this topic in an interesting way of discussion.

Valentyna Lehka in her report has confirmed the high qualification of the LPW's activities, unveiled the LPW's plans for 2020 in the context of the *Global Feminist and Women's Movement Action Plan* and the First VNR of Ukraine under the Sustainable Development Goals. The special attention was paid to the ongoing preparation for the LPW's reporting to the UN Global Compact for two years (October 2017- January 2020).



On the photo: Valentyna during her speech at General Meeting 19.12.19

Natalia Viatkina devoted her paper to the issue of Adult Education and especially the Lifelong Learning. The relevance of education for adults in our society is only growing, lifelong learning needs a qualified approach, appropriate legislative decisions, so for the LPW this problem remains in the circle of interests and tasks.

The blitz-presentation of Olga Herasymchuk's own achievements in craft-and decorative arts attracted a vivid interest. High artistic creativity, multifaceted work, the beauty of colors provoked a positive reaction among all those present and confirmed the thesis that work done with pleasure inspires further creativity.



On the photo: Olga during her speech at General Meeting 19.12.19 with Natalia.

The venue of meeting itself has become a special pleasure for all participants – LPW members, advisers and guests. It was a lovely hall at the National Academy of Cultural and Arts Management located at the territory of the Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra. A place near the shrines on St. Nicholas Day and hospitality of the hosts formed the first layer of a wonderful atmosphere of assembly. Another layer of pleasure became a win-win lottery (at the end of the event): the festive mood of the participants was underpinned by the bright lots that everyone in turn received after a short story about themselves (self-presentation).



On the photo: Natalia and Olena during a win-win lottery.

Complementing the common warm creative atmosphere by tea/coffee, sweets and fruits made the planned 4-hour work very fruitful.

Finally, we draw attention to the next steps - namely in context of preparation of the **Voluntary National Review (2020 VNR) on sustainable development goals in Ukraine** that we, most likely, will prepare in 2020 for the UN HLPF where Ukraine will be reporting **2020 VNR** on behalf of our civil society organization (or range of CSOs).

Read our report 2019 LPW's Thematic Report on SDG4-Education 2030. Input to 2019 HLPF: Ukraine here <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/index.php?page=view&type=30022&nr=2250&menu=3170>

Those of our members\advisers who are interested to participate on behalf of NGO "League of Professional Women" in developing the Action Plan for Beijing + 25, fluent in English, interested in global and national women rights advocacy, and has good analytical skills, please, contact Olena Lazorenko by email lpw.network@gmail.com

Join the **LPW network**, more information here <http://lpw.org.ua/ua/membership/> OR apply to joint the **Female Entrepreneurial and Intellectual Community by LPW** via online form <https://goo.gl/forms/mAKGW7HssfrdI6v43>



On the photo: the participants of the General Meeting of NGO "League of Professional Women" and Workshop on "Analytics on Women or Developed by Women in 2019" – 19.12.19