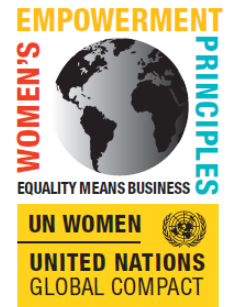




Statement of Support and Signatories Form Women's Empowerment Principles (WEPs) Canada



We, the business and governmental leaders from across Canada, express support for advancing equality between women and men to:

- Bring the broadest pool of talent to our endeavours;
- Further our company's and country's competitiveness;
- Meet our corporate responsibility and sustainability commitments;
- Model behaviour within our companies and agencies that reflects the society we would like for our employees, fellow citizens and families;
- Encourage economic and social conditions that provide opportunities for women and men, girls and boys; and
- Foster sustainable development in the countries in which we operate.

Therefore, we welcome the provisions of the Women's Empowerment Principles – Equality Means Business, produced and disseminated by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) and the United Nations Global Compact. BPW Canada as a founding member of BPW International has taken up the charge to contribute to the success of engaging a broader audience through an awareness campaign and engaging consultations with private sector, government and civil society in Canada. The Women's Empowerment Principles present seven steps that business, government and other sectors can take to advance and empower Canadian women.

Equal treatment of women and men is not just the right thing to do – it is also good for business. The full participation of women in our enterprises and in the larger community makes sound business sense now and in the future. A broad concept of sustainability and corporate responsibility that embraces women's empowerment as a key goal will benefit us all. Our collective commitment to the Women's Empowerment Principles will help us realize these opportunities.

We encourage business and governmental leaders to join us and to use the Principles as guidance for strategic actions that we can all take in the workplace, marketplace and community to empower women and benefit our companies and Nation. We will strive to use sex-disaggregated data in our sustainability reporting to communicate our progress to our own stakeholders.

Please join us.

Signing the WEPs Statement of Support

Women's Empowerment Principles – *Equality Means Business*



Please complete this form and return it to Sheila Crook (fcrook2@yahoo.ca or sheila@smcperformanceplus.com 705 743-2323) OR Doris Hall (dorish@rogers.com 519 473-3505).
Please let us know if you have any questions.

COMPANY/ CONSTITUENCY / AGENCY

Name
Industry/Sector
Country
City and Province
No. of Employees

CHIEF EXECUTIVE /MP / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Salutation (Mr.; Ms.; etc)
First/Given Name
Last/Family Name
Full Job Title
Signature

Date: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON

Salutation (Mr.; Ms.; etc)
First/Given Name
Last/Family Name
Full Job Title
Email
Telephone +

*** Please complete the enclosed Engaging with the WEPs form.. The feedback received will inform activities, topics and reflect company and government priorities.



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