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Women's Innovative Responses to Climate Change

March 18, 2022 – 4PM EST/21:00h CET

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Topic: **Parallel Event at NGO CSW: Women's Innovative Responses to Climate Change**

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Speakers



Prof. Herlin Chien, PhD, Associate Professor, National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (NPUST), Pingtung, Taiwan, BPW Taiwan.

Herlin Chien has been a BPW Taiwan member since 2008 and currently serves as the Coordinator for BPW Taiwan International Affairs Committee. At CSW 55, she was invited as a panelist at BPW Equal Pay Day Workshop. In 2016, she also acted as a panelist at BPW Asia-Pacific Forum hosted in Taiwan with BPW participants from six Asia-Pacific countries. Academically speaking, Dr. Chien holds two PhD degrees – one in political science (2008), the other in sustainability science (2021). Her academic interest is to conduct interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary studies to tackle unsustainability problems from social-ecological system approaches in the developing or tropical agriculture intensive regions with a special interest in citizen and stakeholder engagement (including women) to promote sustainable transition. Besides from teaching as an Associate Professor at College of Humanities and Social Sciences, National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (NPUST) – a tropical and smart agriculture focused higher education institution in Taiwan, she also acts as the Deputy Director for Sustainable Development Office and Vice-Dean for Office of International Affairs. From FY2021 to 2024, she is a Co-Investigator in Taiwan team for Belmont Forum international sustainability cooperation project - ABRESO: Abandonment and Rebound - Societal views on landscape- and land-use change and their impacts on water and soils. At the local scale, she also actively engages stakeholders to co-produce solutions to restore the degraded river ecosystem. Her most recent researches and activities can be read at <https://sites.google.com/view/hc-research/introduction> and she can be reached at hchien@mail.npust.edu.tw



Karin Jeanneret Vezzini, CEO and Co-Owner of ennos ag, Switzerland. Solar Water Pump, www.ennos.ch
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Karin Jeanneret Vezzini, an Attorney-at-law at the University of Bern (1993) and Executive Master in Business Law (HSG St. Gallen, 1999), is CEO and co-founder of ennos ag, Switzerland, a spin-off company of Bern University of Applied Sciences in Biel, which develops and markets solar pumps. As a lawyer, she specializes in contract and corporate law and has worked as an author for Weka Verlag, Zurich. She is Past-President of BPW Biel-Bienne in Switzerland. She is married to Dr. Andrea Vezzini and has two adult children. She lives in Merzligen, Switzerland.



Siiri Tiivits-Puttonen, BPW Tallinn, Estonia.

She is an active BPW Estonia member since 2015. Currently, she is the President of BPW Tallinn and Executive member of the Federation of BPW Estonia, she is the initiator of the International Green and Sustainable task force.

She is an entrepreneur of 8 years. Her aim is to change the world by consulting companies how to digitalize their processes in a greener and more sustainable way. Nature, animals, environment protection has been her lifestyle and passion since childhood. She is an experienced strategic eCommerce leader and strategist with a demonstrated history of working in the eCommerce business and development industry in the Baltics and in Scandinavia. She is also part of the GreenTiger which makes Estonia the most sustainable society in the world.



Erika Pihl, BPW Tallinn, Estonia.

Ms. **Erika Pihl** has a degree in Environmental Sciences and she works as a Head of Sustainability in Tallinna Kaubamaja Group, a publicly listed company with over 4500 employees. Main tasks include creating and monitoring ESG-related strategies, policies and risks, communication with stakeholders, research and analysis, and sustainability reporting. Erika was also an environmental mentor for Estonian Public Broadcasting and Zavod Advertising as a part of a local green initiative called Rohetiiger Academy. Since its creation in January 2021, Ms. Pihl has been a member of BPW Estonia movement "Women in Business-Green and Sustainable World", where she leads the program, trains and mentors entrepreneurs.



Moderator Dr. Catherine Bosshart, BPW International President 2021-2024

Dr. Catherine Bosshart is a Swiss historian of contemporary and modern history and specialist of gender studies. After studies in Switzerland, Germany and the USA, she received her MA in 1974 and in 1981 her PhD with distinction. After working on different research projects, she has been teaching first as a senior lecturer and then as a professor for contemporary history at the Universities of Fribourg and California State University, Long Beach. Her many publications cover also gender history. Since 2015 she was nominated to the Executive Board of BPW International and had been elected in 2021 as its international President (until 2024).