



Hello Lean In Community,

Welcome to March!

The highlight of this month is definitely our newly launched Lean In Youth program! We're thrilled that there are so many exciting initiatives that YOU can be a part of. Stay tuned for more information on our Masterclasses and Circles that you can be involved with. In the second quarter (early April and mid May) we will be organising specialised Masterclasses at just a small fee of RM50 per pax. These Masterclasses are your opportunity to up-skill yourself with the trends and network with leaders and peers alike. So don't miss the opportunity as seats are limited.

This year's global International Women's Day (IWD) theme is #PressforProgress. We echo the [World Economic Forum's 2017 Global Gender Gap Report](#) which calls for urgent action to support this campaign and actively engage the workforce to forge gender parity and celebrate women's achievements. There has never been a more important time to remain motivated and #PressforProgress throughout the year!

Changes and gender parity won't happen overnight. The good news is that across the world, women and men are making positive gains day by day. Collectively, we all play a part and it starts with ourselves.

So, here is your call-to-action: we encourage you to step up for yourself or for another, and be the change. And while you're at it, snap a photo and share with us and the community on your social media with the hashtags #PressforProgress #IWD2018 #LeanInMalaysia. Also, if you feel your company may wish to explore a Partnership with Lean In Malaysia, please drop up an email at Partnerships@leaninmalaysia.com.

We look forward to reading your stories of Leaning In and see you at our upcoming events!

What would you do if you weren't afraid?

With Love,



Malisse & Sangeeta

Partnerships & Outreach Directors of Lean In Malaysia
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Interested in ***sponsoring/partnering with Lean In Malaysia***
through your company? Contact our team at
partnerships@leaninmalaysia.com.

Lean In Youth has officially LAUNCHED!



Lean In Youth - our initiative for local university students - has kicked off earlier this month.

Some of these dedicated mentees came not only from Klang Valley, but also Penang, Johor and Pahang. 20 of them, comprising of 12 girls and 8 boys, have gathered from 8 different public universities across Malaysia to be prepped for the long-awaited 5 week accelerator.

First day revolved around setting the tone and practising for their elevator pitch on day 2.

We believe that growth requires stepping out of our comfort zones and challenging ourselves, thus we encourage, challenge, support and sometimes even push our participants to break through boundaries. We also engaged in discussions and dialogue about gender diversity, specifically on their views on gender gap.

Each participant is paired with a mentor, industry partners and friends of Lean In Malaysia. Our 20 mentors come from 18 reputable companies and working experiences range from 4-10 years on average. We have also partnered with top class trainers and speakers to conduct impactful Masterclasses for the participants. During the first 2 Masterclasses, the participants learned from inspirational speakers about their life journeys and received training on specific skills such as CV writing, interview skills and personality profiling. The first 2 weeks have been inspirational for all of us involved - the mentors and mentees, the speakers and trainers and the Lean In team - we can't wait to share more about their journey with you.

Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) for more updates, and watch these young students grow and improve in their journey with their mentor.

LEAN IN MASTERCLASS - Lean In Malaysia X LeadWomen

SELF AWARE LEADERSHIP & BRAND PRESENCE



7 April 2018, Saturday



Common Ground, Menara Worldwide



8.30am to 2.00pm



RM 50.00



Lean In Malaysia is partnering with Lead Women to bring to you a specialized Masterclass on 'Self Aware Leadership and Brand Presence'.

In today's world of work, we are competing with the best of the best - educated, motivated and successful people. How do you get noticed in the right personal and professional circles?

We constantly need to evolve our leadership to not just stay relevant but to stay ahead of the game! For that, it is crucial to know what gives you the competitive advantage (finding your blue ocean and setting clear goals); to identify your unique differentiators and to deliver it all in your strong impactful personal brand!

Join us on for a power-packed Masterclass on 'Blue Ocean Strategy' and 'Brand Presence'. Also joining us will be six ambitious women directors, MDs and CEOs who will answer your questions! Don't miss this opportunity as seats are limited!

Apply NOW.

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Recap of Lean In Circles Kick-off



What better way to start 2018 other than with another official and first Lean In Malaysia event of this year, The Lean In Circles Kick-off!

The energizing session took off on a Wednesday evening, 21st February 2018 at Google Malaysia with a total of 68 participants ranging from corporate professionals, startup founders and students. Recently, we have expanded our team and that includes having two new male representative in the team. It is important to have male advocate in women empowerment and that message has been highlighted since previous events.

The event started with some sharing sessions by our presidents Aysha & Ashley, and our secretariat director Stefanie on how their past involvement with their own circles have empowered them in embracing challenges. Participants were then presented with special guest speaker, Michelle Iking from Citibank who has successfully implemented circles and created change at her workplace.

Despite having a long day, the participants were very engaged with all divided into five groups and Lean In Malaysia as facilitator in providing guidance, but most importantly, excites and drive participants' experience to start their very own effective circle.

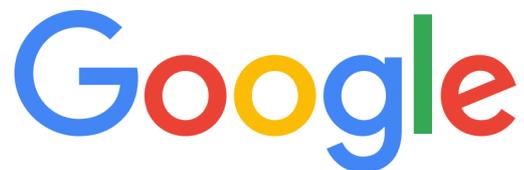
The atmosphere was inspiringly progressive when participants shared their collected thoughts and feedback by the end of the 40 minutes Kick-off session. The night ended with amazing conversation on starting new circles, making new friends and of course, lots of Instagram worthy photos.

We truly treasure the night and looking to meet the participants again and most definitely, those who missed out on our Circles Kick-off.

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