



Hello Lean In Community,

Welcome to May!

Lean In Malaysia is committed to providing unique development opportunities to our growing community! Delivering two sold out Masterclasses back to back in the last few weeks, women and men came together to focus on creating ambitious career goals, craft their own strong, dynamic personal brand, and having impactful conversations as a leader. Thank you to our partners at Lead Women and GameChange for collaborating and sharing so generously! When we all work together we are a rising tide that lifts all boats, making beautiful waves in the process.

Every accomplishment starts with a decision to try. An opportunity has open itself, where we welcome you to step up and join the Lean In Malaysia family. *We are open to anyone - male or female - who has the passion to give back to society and the tenacity to cultivate the best version of yourself, regardless of if you are still studying in college/university or a working professional. **Please submit your application here. Application will be closed on 15 June 2018.** We are looking forward to have you with us for the upcoming year!*

Earlier this month has been an exciting rollercoaster ride and marks the birth of hope in Malaysia's democratic's process. Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah has been named the country's first female Deputy Prime Minister, an inspiring achievement that will be remembered in our history books. This marks an important step towards more capable women stepping into leadership roles and breaking through glass ceilings. Congratulations Dr Wan Azizah for your outstanding win and we look forward to a better, brighter Malaysia.

Change comes from every corner and walk of life and this historic moment is a reminder of this year's global International Women's Day (IWD) theme is #PressforProgress. We must

take this momentous shift to continue making positive gains for gender parity day by day. Continue to be that change you wish to see everyday and make progress your call to action. Both in person and on social media --- keep the conversation going with the hashtags #PressforProgress #IWD2018 #LeanInMalaysia. The time is now and now is the time!

Lastly, selamat berpuasa to all who are fasting, and may you have a blessed ramadan.



What would you do if you weren't afraid?

With Love,



Jennifer & Karmun

Head of Development and Head of Design of Lean In Malaysia

Asia Women Circle @ Lean In Org

Look out for Lean In Career Programme 3.0!

The third instalment of our signature Lean In Career Programme (LICP) is currently in the works! Last year, we saw 21 remarkable ladies who were driven to come back to the workforce after having taken a career break. They went through an intensive 12 weeks where they were equipped with knowledge and insight through various workshop modules, each mentored by industry leaders, and had solid peer to peer support. 15 of the participants returned to the workforce with the support of the program! We look forward to our next milestone with a new batch of participants this year. Stay tuned for our next announcement!

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

Recap of Lean In Masterclass: Conversational Intelligence



On the 12th May, we had our third Masterclass on Conversational Intelligence. Norlida Azmi - Group Chief Human Capital Officer of UEM Group Berhad - opened with a keynote address about the pivotal times in her professional journey.

The Conversational Intelligence workshop was led by GameChange Coaching. Here we learnt about the three levels of conversations and had a chance to practice these in small facilitated groups. The level of connection and energy within these groups was infectious, and the Lean In Malaysia team was inspired by the participants' engagement levels.

A big thank you to iProperty for providing their spectacular offices for this event!

Lean In Stories



Lean In Youth (LIY) 2018 graduate:

Alexander Choo Chia Chun, Final Year Student, Electrical Engineering, University of Malaya.

Adventurous, easygoing, compassionate.

"I wanted to join the Lean In Youth program to learn and grow professionally as well as building self confidence especially in meeting new people and stepping out of my comfort zone. Besides, I want to built a strong people skills and strong self character in

order achieve great things in life.

Being in LIY is like entering a billionaire club whereby everyone is rich in positivity and supportive elements. It was great spending time talking with the people in LIY who have the motivation in life and willing to step out their comfort zone and taking charge of their life especially women.

I am more aware of what I am going to do and able to turn my ideas into reality with more courage through self-awareness and self-initiatives. I realised that failure is definitely not the end but stopping is and therefore, I will always learn from mistakes and always pick myself back up. The Masterclasses and mentoring sessions really helped a lot especially for local public universities students like me to sharpen the competencies that I need in order to achieve my goals.

LIY has also changed my perception in gender awareness in many ways. First is to realise the problems or the issues that women encounter in their lives The discussions we had gave me some idea on the solution that might be the best to address certain problems or issues regarding gender inequality. Finally, it changed my perception on the role as a man towards gender equality as both genders need to work their part to make gender equality a reality.

My biggest takeaway is knowing that it is okay to fail. I will keep on going after leaning from my failure or mistakes. What I will do differently now is to have a positive mindset about my life. Besides, I have the courage now to try different things and turn my ideas into reality knowing that it might fail at some point. I am now willing to step out of my comfort zone a little to take on the challenges that lie ahead. Apart from that, I am now looking forward to meeting people and expand my network to people in all walks of life."

"We aspire to be who we can see."

Role-modelling is fundamental to pushing the dial on how far women go, and this year, Lean In Malaysia will be featuring *success stories* from everyday people like

yourselves.

Have a story on chasing your dreams, taking a professional risk or something you'd like to share? Email us at pr@leaninmalaysia.com; and you will stand a chance to be featured on our social media platforms - to inspire women around the world in your own way!

Introduction of a new circle: Lean In Sarawak



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Inspired by Lean In Malaysia, Farah Nadia Masrol and Alexandra Nastassia John created Lean In Sarawak. We are proud to welcome this new Lean In Circle to our expanding community of circles in Malaysia.

Their goal is to build a community of proactive women and partners in Sarawak. They aim to challenge the stereotypes and encourage critical thinking, so that they can educate, enable, and empower the women to harness and

develop their skill sets and pursue each individual's life paths.

There will be two circles in each month- one in Kuching and one in Miri, and also a Lean in Sarawak Summit next year.

Sarawak hosted its 2nd International Digital Economy Conference Sarawak, IDECS from 13 - 15th May. The founder had the chance to meet with Datu Dr. Sabariah Putit, Deputy State Secretary and a few other women leaders - they are excited to say that they are all on board Lean In Sarawak!

Let's welcome Lean In Sarawak to the Lean In family!

Message from MaGIC

MaGIC Pre-Accelerator Bootcamp: Female Founders Edition

The MaGIC Pre-Accelerator Bootcamp is a two-week programme designed to help aspiring entrepreneurs to kickstart their businesses and create Minimum Viable Product (MVP) from validated ideas.

Inline with Women Empowerment Year 2018, we will be focusing on female-led startups to help grow their business ideas to the next level.

The Application for the program will open from the 28th April 2018 to 21st May 2018. Selected startups will be exposed to the how to's of running a startup and enhance their knowledge of the go-to-market strategy, product development and business modeling among others.

The programme will run from 8 - 20 July 2018 and will culminate with a Demo Day on the final day where the top 15 startups will be showcased. The winners will get three (3) months post-program mentoring, free tenancy at MaGIC Co-Working space for three (3) months and a company incorporation package.

To apply and get more info on the programme, visit [HERE](#).

Programme: MaGIC Pre-Accelerator Bootcamp: Female Founders Edition

Application: 28 April 2018 - 21 May 2018

Programme Date: 8-20 July 2018

Venue: MaGIC Cyberjaya

Criteria:

- 1) Possess a validated business idea (any industries)
- 2) Team participating in the programme includes one (1) female cofounder

Feel free to email grp@mymagic.my for more information.

All the best!



MAGIC PRE-ACCELERATOR BOOTCAMP - FEMALE FOUNDERS EDITION

Application Date : 30 April 2018 - 21 May 2018

Programme Date : 8-20 July 2018

Venue : MaGIC, Cyberjaya

Apply now at <http://www.mymagic.my/pre-accelerator>

OVERVIEW

In conjunction with the Women Empowerment Year 2018, MaGIC is on the hunt for female led-startups!

The MaGIC Pre-Accelerator Bootcamp - Female Founders Edition is a two-week programme to empower the women of Malaysia to transform their business ideas into investment-ready solutions through mentorship and capacity building initiatives while catalysing creativity and innovation.

Selected startups will undergo a specially curated syllabus to provide them with basic startup fundamentals as well as expose them to go-to-market strategies, product development and business modelling, among others. The bootcamp will culminate with a Demo Day where the top 15 startups will have the opportunity to pitch to a lineup of investors.

Winners will receive free tenancy at the MaGIC Co-Working space for three (3) months, post-bootcamp mentoring for three (3) months and a company incorporation package.

Applications are open now until **21 May 2018**. Register to validate your innovative solution today.

FAQ

For more information please visit our FAQ section

<http://mymagic.my/pre-accelerator/faq>

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