Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Power and Energy Society Women in Power (IEEE PES WiP)

A Presentation by

Celia Shahnaz IEEE PES WiP Region 10 (Asia Pacific) representative

2nd Partnership Forum on WePOWER Professional Network in South Asia 20-21 November 2019 Manila



Over 38,900 members

More Power to the Future







List of Highlighted Activities and Results in 2019

(a) Pillar 1: STEM Education

IEEE PES WIP	2019
Provide Platform to learn technical subjects via webinars in STEM fields	1 STEM webinar/60 female students SAR
Solicit PES role models to foster STEM education	4 role models/40 female students BD, IN and SL

b) Pillar 2: Recruitment

IEEE PES WIP	2019
Highlight the competencies of Women (role models)	12 role models BD, IN, SL
Post Jobs of companies to PES network	2 posting/7 positions for female students SAR

List of Highlighted Activities and Results in 2019

(c) Pillar 3: Development for Female professionals

IEEE PES WIP	2019
Invite female students working in energy projects to PES conferences	1 PES conference/20 female students BD
Utilize workshops via webex for professional development to address Leadership Challenges	1 webex workshop/20 female engineers SAR

(d) Pillar 4: Retention (including Facilities)

IEEE PES WIP	2019
Highlight companies with best practice that promote female retention	12 companies in Facebook
	SAR



Lessons Learned:

Not everyone is ready to invest time, talent and treasure for the volunteer works in WePower initiatives without any arrangement for funding sources and incentives.

Challenges:

- Arranging Webinar for STEM education in a common time (SAR region) and availability of an international speaker matching the time schedule
- Finding job circular to publicize it to Women
- 3. Finding companies with best practice for women to retain in Power and energy industry and exposing them for a wide publicity

Possible Solutions: A clear connectivity among strategic partners and industrial partners IN SAR region is needed that may help handling the above challenges better

Expectation from WePower:

Help finding funding Sources to implement the targets and make initiatives sustainable

