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Carol Hanlon to present at Business Professional Women Sub Regional Conference in Mongolia

Carol Hanlon CEO of Belmont Business Enterprise Centre Inc. (BEC Global), TCF WA Inc. (TCF Global), will present at the upcoming Business Professional Women Sub-Regional Conference in Mongolia on the 11th of October 2015. Carol will be deliver a speech on: *"Empowering women through Enterprise Development"*.

Business Professional Women (BPW) develops the professional, business and leadership potential of women on all levels through advocacy, mentoring, networking, skill building and economic empowerment programs and projects around the world. BPW International is one of the most influential international networks of women, with members and clubs in almost 100 countries on 5 continents.

Carol Hanlon, Past President of Belmont BPW has an extensive 21 year record of delivering small business development programs for the benefit of women across Australia and Internationally. Carol was recently recognised at 2015 APEC Women in Economy Forum, Manila, Philippines as Australia's representative at ICONOGRAPH: An Exhibition of Women Icons of APEC. Providing recognition to the commitment, vision, and leadership of the APEC economies' extraordinary women from micro, small, and medium enterprises (SMEs and MEs) who became 'prime movers' in their respective field and their societies

Carol was also invited to present at APEC WEF Manila on the BPW Business Incubator Training & Mentoring Project, developed by Carol and adopted as an APEC Pilot during 2014 delivering online training & mentoring to women in small business in Chinese Taipei, Republic of Korea, Chile, The Philippines and Australia. In addition, Carol was a nominated Australian Government delegate at the 2015 APEC Women in Economy Forum (WEF), Manilla Philippines; APEC WEF Indonesia 2013 and APEC WEF, St Petersburg, Russia 2012.

Carol has hosted NGO Parallel Events in New York during the United Nations CSW56 2012 and United Nations CSW59 2015 on 'Empowering Women through Enterprise Development' and 'Empowering Women through Online Training & Mentoring' and presented at numerous UN NGO Forums on Migrant Women and Micro Enterprise Projects in Asia. Carol was inducted in the Inaugural 2011 WA Women's Hall of Fame for her passion and commitment with micro small business owners to achieve their business dreams and in March 2015 Carol was announced the National Winner in the 'Empowering women in a community or organisation in Australia' of ACLW's 'Sustaining Women's Empowerment in Communities and Organisations' Awards.

Topic: "Empowering women through Enterprise Development"

Date: 11 October

Time: 9am to 11am

Venue: The Chinggis Khan Hotel, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Carol Hanlon said, "I am looking forward to presenting an important topic at the BPW Sub Regional Conference in Mongolia. I have always been passionate about helping to empower women via enterprise development, and many of the programs that I implemented via our two not for profit organisations (TCF WA Inc. and Belmont BEC Inc.) are dedicated towards helping women develop their micro and small businesses around the world."

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About:

Belmont BEC | **BEC Global** is a non-profit community organisation established in 1994, providing training and mentoring support services to over 25,000+ individuals in Australia to start or improve their small business and is a specialist in virtual business incubation. www.belmonbec.com www.belmonbec.com

TCFWA | TCF Australia | TCF Global is a non-profit community organisation established in 1998, assisting over 6,000+ designers and fashion industry small businesses with fashion business skill development, linkages in the global supply chain, International trade missions and industry networks. <u>www.tcfwa.com</u> <u>www.tcfaustralia.com</u> <u>www.tcfglobal.com</u>

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