Lebanese League for Women in Business

Overview on Objectives and Activities
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LWAF
LEBANESE WOMEN ANGEL FUND
In partnership with
GO BEYOND EARLY STAGE INVESTING
An Initiative by LLWB & IM Capital

- Lebanese women are far from achieving their full potential in the business world
- Only 15% of Lebanese women are employers or self-employed
- No program focused on preparing and educating women to become qualified angel investors
- Address women’s integration in business by engaging women in the funding space, and encouraging women entrepreneurs
LWAF 2017-18: Learn & Earn

A one year-long program for enrolled “novice” Women Angel Investors

- Class of a group up to 23 women

- Every 6 weeks
  - Workshops on Investment topics by Go Beyond Investing
  - Meet women-led startups via investment meetings / pitching sessions
  - Moderated Group Debrief – Voting on investment (Majority decides)

- In between:
  - Conduct due diligence & negotiation (Deal-leader)
  - Attend videos & webinars on Investment topic

- Commitment
  - $10K each in a common pool for investing in an SPV, 50% capital guaranteed
  - $1.5K Tuition
Investment Vehicle

Individual Investors shareholders

SPV (Lebanese HOLDING S.A.L.)

3 - 4 investments
Average ticket size: $50K

co-investment from other funds (IM Capital, iSME) & angels

Woman-led startup

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• Initiative launched in 2016, and led by LLWB in partnership with four organizations:

• Aims to encourage girls and youth from 10th and 11th grades in public and private schools across Lebanon to experience the potential of IT and STEM subjects.

• Addresses the need for more women in the STEM fields and provide the participants with the knowledge and awareness to break the gender stereotypes related to career choices.
A total of 5 GGIT Events were held to date in different areas in Lebanon:

- Beirut and Mount Lebanon – March 12, 2016
- Bekaa – Nov 26 & 27, 2016
- Tripoli – May 13, 2017
- Mini-GGIT Akkar – Aug 26, 2017
- Tyre – Nov 24, 2017

More than 2,000 girls from public and private schools and from marginalized communities participated in the events.
• Collaborations with various organizations in the STEM fields for designing and facilitating the training workshops.
  • Topics include coding, robotics, smart agriculture, animation, social media marketing, graphic design, gaming, programming, etc.

• Over 20 keynote and guest speakers across sectors took part of this event, and shared their experiences and success stories with the students.
Girls got IT
Exploring Engineering and Technology