

Delegation from Sweden

Position Paper for the Commission on the Status of Women

Introduction

The term “**Women Entrepreneurship**” refers to an act of business ownership and business creation that empowers women economically, increase their economic strength, and position in society. **Entrepreneurship** is a major strategy for economic development of a country. Women are one of the deprived groups of the society. Women entrepreneurship is a very significant step to empower women by providing them a status in the society.

Empowering Women through Entrepreneurship in Sweden.

The delegate of Sweden wants to clarify its stances on the topic “**empowerment of women through entrepreneurship in Sweden.**” The **Swedish programme** Promoting Women’s Entrepreneurship was conducted between **2007 and 2014**. Although it has now finished, this 2015 brochure, which can be downloaded via the website of the Swedish Agency for Economic and Regional Growth, provides an overview of the efforts that were made to promote female entrepreneurship and touches on the future of entrepreneurship and leadership. Sweden has been regarded as the best place that most strongly shows equality between men and women and cares about human rights. Many women from different countries come to Sweden in order to start up their businesses, as this country encourages women to become entrepreneurs and create innovation. Therefore, we might be able to call this country a leading hub for female entrepreneurs. Just recently, a startup event with a great weight on supporting female entrepreneurs was held in **Stockholm** on 8 to 10 September 2019. 76 women having different backgrounds such as business/marketing, design/programming joined this event in order to work on their ideas and turn them into reality. This event enables you to meet women from diverse backgrounds, which is actually perfect for building up completely new ideas. In addition, because this event is only for women, participants can attempt to find another way that they wouldn’t have done if they worked with men.

In this way, Sweden has tried to improve the condition and status of women and has provided them a path to know and work on their dreams. People are now realizing that women can be independent and should be allowed to work and follow their dreams.

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