

Propel Multi Club

Female leaders & entrepreneurs: Learning lessons & moving forward



MILLENNIUM GLOUCESTER HOTEL, LONDON KENSINGTON: THURSDAY 30 JUNE 2022

Operators of multi-site hospitality companies can book two free places each.
Email: jo.charity@propelinfo.com to book places.

SPEAKER SCHEDULE

10.00am-10.30am: Lynne Franks OBE's business activities include the development of the McDonald's UK women's leadership network, working with Tesco to engage its female customers and launching high fashion home shopping with NEXT. She is also the founder of the SEED Women's empowerment network, runs her own SEED Hub in Somerset and here she talks about her journey and the future of women's leadership in business, community and society.

10.30am-11.00am: Lucy Knowles, managing director of Holroyd Howe, talks about her journey through hospitality starting as a waitress, running Corney & Barrow while still in her 20s, becoming chief marketing officer at SSP and now running Holroyd and Howe – and what she has learned along the way.

11.00am-11.30am: Jo Clevely, co-founder of Geronimo Inns, talks to Ann Elliott about the role of design in the success of the businesses, why design matters so much in hospitality venues and how women can really make their mark in this often hidden side of the business.

11.30am-12.00pm: The HR directors – what women need to do to reach board level. Ann Elliott talks to **Karen Bates, group people director at BrewDog; Anne-Marie Sarantis, head of people at Gusto; Dawn Browne, people and talent director at Fuller's; and Miranda Burgum, people director at Gail's Bakery.**

12.00pm-1.00pm: Lunch

1.00pm-1.30pm: Wenny Armstrong, managing director of Ballie Ballerson, shares her story about starting the business, winning investment and the highs and lows of the last few years.

1.30pm-2.00pm: Grace Harding, chief executive of Ocean Basket Group, now in 18 countries and recently launched in the UK, talks about her attitude to leadership, recruiting the best possible talent and creating working environments in which people have the opportunity to thrive and learn.

2.00pm-2.30pm: The chief financial officers – how finance roles can help women reach the top. Ann Elliott talks to **Lizi Hills, head of finance at Various Eateries; Danielle Davies, chief financial officer at Revolution; Koula Achillea, finance director at Oakman Group; and Julie Centracchio, chief financial officer at Boston Tea Party.**

2.30pm-3.00pm: Coffee break

3.00pm-3.30pm: Zoe Collins, managing director of the Jamie Oliver Group, has been working with Jamie Oliver for the last 20 years. Here she talks about her journey from producing live shows for BBC Radio One including the Zoë Ball Breakfast Show to running a high profile, award-winning, global media and food brand with social impact at its heart.

3.30pm-4.00pm: The retail and operations directors – how women can really make their mark in operations. Ann Elliott talks to **Anni Opong, managing director at Arc Inspirations; Lucy Worth, chief operating officer at Mowgli Street Food; Lisa Gibbons, chief operating officer (Bella Italia and Concessions) at the Big Table Group; and Kate Eastwood, operations director at Fuller's.**

4.00pm-4.30pm: Dawn Donohoe, managing director of London Cocktail Club and Barrio Bars, talks about her 20 years of senior leadership experience in the hospitality sector and how it has helped her become a successful managing director and leader.

4.30pm-5.00pm: The entrepreneurs – how and why they set up their own businesses. Ann Elliott talks to **Ellen Chew, founder of Chew On This restaurant group; property doyenne Naomi Heaton, founder of The Other House; Chelsea Finch, founder of the three-strong London-based coffee shop brand, District; entrepreneur Anh Pham, founder of Paeonia; and Rebecca Bishop, founder of Two Magpies Bakery.**

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