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NEWSLETTER



Promoting the networking of women who work in the short-term insurance industry in Gauteng, South Africa.



GWII Trailblazers Leaderwalk: The Power of Collaboration

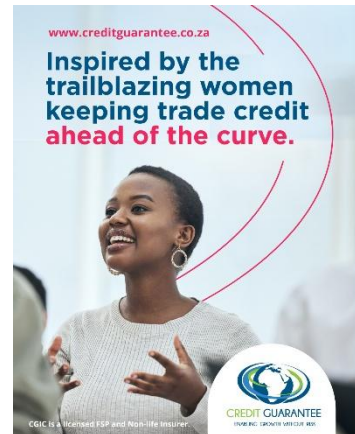
On April 10, 2025, Gauteng Women In Insurance (GWII) hosted a Trailblazers Leaderwalk at iTOO, Villa Acardia.

As part of a new initiative, the Trailblazers Leaderwalk was designed specifically for future leaders in the insurance industry, offering a fresh perspective alongside the traditional Leaderwalks, which cater to upper senior management.

The event was centred around the powerful insights shared by our distinguished speaker, Ylaney Ramlall, Reinsurance Client Relationship Manager at Santam Re. With a keynote address, Ramlall led us through an engaging exploration of the power of collaboration and how emerging industry leaders can work collaboratively to accelerate personal growth and reimagine the insurance industry... [Read more](#)

The rise and impact of women in business

In recent years, women in business have been rewriting the narrative - moving from the margins to the mainstream. While the global business landscape continues to transform, a powerful driver of change is the rise of women in leadership. Across industries, and particularly within South Africa's insurance sector, women are breaking barriers, challenging stereotypes, and redefining what it means to lead.



Though there is much to celebrate, the journey towards full equity is still a work in progress. But every step forward is reshaping the future - not just for women, but... [Read more](#)



Empowering women in the workplace

Women continue to shape and redefine the modern workplace, yet many still face challenges that impact their health, productivity, and career progression. The *Women's Report 2024*, sponsored by Stellenbosch Business School in association with the South African Board for People Practices, presents crucial insights into the health and well-being of working women, focusing on menopause, workplace stress, pregnancy, and breast cancer... [Read more](#)

Breaking barriers: women in investment management – insights from the Alpha Female Report 2024

The financial industry has long been dominated by men, but slow and steady progress toward gender parity is evident. The *Alpha Female Report 2024*, published by Citywire, examines the evolving role of women in investment management. This report highlights key findings regarding gender diversity... [Read more](#)





Key to advancing women in senior roles in finance and insurance

While South Africa is making significant progress when it comes to women occupying roles across categories within the finance and insurance sectors, there is a considerable lack of women in senior roles in these fields. This is according to... [Read more](#)

Global infertility market to double by 2026 - local biotech company, Next Biosciences, is driving innovation in this space

Infertility rates are on the rise globally, with an estimated 15% to 20% of South African couples – up to one in five – experiencing difficulties conceiving. In SA, access to advanced reproductive health services remains limited for many, further exacerbating the challenges faced by individuals and couples...

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What are the main warning signs of mental illness?

Dealing with a mental illness can be lonely since people suffering from it are easily misunderstood or ignored. We do not take the time to acknowledge our loved one's emotions often. Sometimes we have clouded judgment that what the person is exhibiting may be lousy behaviour or that they are being hysterical, especially... [Read more](#)

How to avoid an emotional meltdown, and what to do when it happens anyway

In the stressful and overstimulating world we live in, becoming so overwhelmed by your stress that it significantly affects your behaviour — an emotional meltdown — can happen to all of



us. An “emotional meltdown” isn’t exactly a medical diagnosis. It’s used in popular discourse to describe... [Read more](#)



Breaking the silence: addressing the stigma around mental health in South Africa

Despite growing awareness globally, mental health in South Africa remains a topic often shrouded in stigma, misunderstanding, and neglect. For a country with such a diverse population, the deep-rooted misconceptions about mental illness persist, making it one of the most significant barriers to treatment and support for those in... [Read more](#)

Legal talk: Living together and inheritance. What did the judge say?

A Court revisits the legal position of permanent relationships and the rights of surviving partners when one of them passes away. No matter how long a couple lives together as a married couple without actually being married... [Read more](#)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Leaderwalk 1

08 May

MANAGING CHAOS AND ORDER

 **GWII LEADERWALK
SERIES PRESENTS** 

MANAGING CHAOS AND ORDER - This talk analyses the pros and cons of chaotic and ordered environments. We discuss the difference between managing external factors vs. our internal decisions. By exploring how these states impact our lives, we aim to develop strategies for effectively understanding and managing chaos and order and using these states as catalysts for growth.

ABOUT THE LEADERWALK CONCEPT

The Leaderwalk has been created by Business Engage to nurture the development of aspiring leaders and to help them unlock their future potential. This is done during an event that will encourage meaningful engagement and dialogue.

EVENT 8 MAY 2025

VENUE: The Venue Green Park, 3 Lower Road, Cnr, W Rd S, Morningside, Sandton

AGENDA

- 08:00 - 09:00 Registration and breakfast
- 09:00 - 09:05 Welcome & housekeeping
- 09:10 - 09:50 Keynote address and activities
- 09:50 - 10:00 Q&A
- 10:05 - 10:45 Breakaway session
- 10:45 - 11:00 Session feedback
- 11:00 Closing and thank you

RSVP admin@gwii.co.za



**MEET HUNTLEY SMITH
- CHANGE ARCHITECT**

Huntley Smith offers a distinctive and dynamic blend of expertise. He is an experienced management consultant and performance enhancement coach who also holds a Brazilian jiu-jitsu black belt (widely regarded as one of the most challenging to achieve).

In addition, he is a pioneer in the field of psychophysioergonomics.

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CPD 2

20 May

	Continuous Professional Development Session	
	<p>Gauteng Women in Insurance invites you to a Continuous Professional Development session, accredited by the Insurance Institute of South Africa, per the fit and proper requirements in the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act 37 of 2002.</p> <p>CREATE, INSPIRE AND LEAD</p>	
<p>TOPIC: An overview of the Business Travel Insurance landscape</p> <p>Fundamentals of Business Travel Insurance cover, Trends we are seeing after Covid19 and risk mitigation</p>		
<p>CPD HOURS: Accredited for 1 FAIS CPD hour</p>	<p>DATE: TUESDAY 20 MAY 2025 Time: 10:00 – 11:00 Platform: ZOOM</p>	
<p>RSVP: Click here to register now!</p>		
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Vibe & Venture 2 - Golf Masterclass

11 June



SAVE THE DATE

GOLF MASTERCLASS

11 JUNE 2025
11:00 – 20:00

Venue: World of Golf
C/O Woodmead Drive & Maxwell Drive

Entry fee: R495



CPD 3

25 June

Leaderwalk 2

17 July

CPD 4

23 July

Networking Event 2 (Ladies Day)

7 August

CPD 5

27 August

Vibe & Venture 3

11 September

Trailblazers Leaderwalk 2

18 September

2025 GWII MEMBERSHIP

The GWII membership for 2025 is R420. Should you wish to pay the membership fee of R420, our account details are as follows:

Account Name: G W I I Group NPC

Banker: FNB

Account No: 62436595691

Account Type: Current Account

Branch Name: Client Resolution Centre

Branch Code: 260231

Please use your name AND your cell number as a reference.

If your company is willing to pay for your membership please contact admin@gwii.co.za for an invoice to be made out to your company.

We will need:

- Company name;
- PO Box address; and
- VAT no if there is one.

BENEFITS OF BELONGING

- Belong to a dynamic, professional insurance industry association that promotes the personal and professional growth of women;
- Share your knowledge and expertise with industry peers and fellow members;
- Participate and build connections through networking at industry events;
- Cultivate professional self-confidence and personal friendships;
- Learn through speakers, workshops and articles designed to broaden your knowledge, enhance your position and meet professional needs; and
- Give back to the communities that we serve through our charity initiatives at our events.



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