

The WINLPG 2026 Action Plan

The Women in LPG Global Network (WINLPG) was launched by Alison Abbott and Nikki Brown in 2015 when the World Liquid Gas Association recognised a clear opportunity, and responsibility, to strengthen diversity across the Liquid Gas industry. As the global voice of the LPG industry, **WLGA** is uniquely positioned to lead this change and build a network with real impact.

WINLPG exists to encourage women across the energy sector through leadership development, mentoring sponsorship coaching, visibility and the promotion of role models, support of ambassadors. It is a global community for everyone who is committed to building a more inclusive, diverse and future-ready energy industry.

WINLPG Today

WINLPG has four Pillars of Objectives

1/ Support and Retain

Management of the global network, maintain a social media presence, develop case studies and role model profiles, and hold Knowledge Exchange workshops.

2/ Promotion and Advocacy

Gain visibility for the network through partnerships, promoting case studies, role models and advocates, via the media, National Chapters and the industry in general.

3/ Educate and Attract

Educate and attract, in the longer term, via global energy events, National Chapters, external education at universities and schools and educating the industry itself.

4/ Encourage and Develop

Encourage and support national chapters who wish to increase understanding and appreciation of the benefits of Liquid Gas to external stakeholders/beneficiaries to improve their quality of life. This could, in turn, open business opportunities within the industry for women beneficiaries. WINLPG aims to work closely with clean cooking stakeholders to support this.

WINLPG Structure and Governance

- WINLPG is managed by a team of three people:
 - WINLPG Global Chair (Esther Busscher, SHV Energy, the Netherlands)
 - WINLPG Co-Founder & Global Network Lead (Alison Abbott, Communications Director, WLGA)
 - WINLPG Co-Founder & Global Community Lead (Nikki Brown)
- Anyone who shares the goals of the network can join WINLPG.
- There is currently no fee to join the global network. WINLPG national chapters may consider applying participation fees.
- National Chapters are subject to respecting the terms and conditions of an MOU and refer to a guide to setting up and managing national chapters. This guide is available online.
- More details available here <https://www.worldliquidgas.org/key-focus-areas/women-in-lpg/>

WINLPG 2026 Action Plan and Goals

Launch at least one new national chapter and extend support to existing national chapters

Development of national chapters enables the network to develop on a much wider scale by engaging with women who may not normally be able to attend other meetings and enable the network to have a far wider reach in-country. National chapters also enable specific regional issues to be addressed. National Chapters are autonomous in that they can decide how often to meet and how to communicate, however, National Chapters adhere to a Terms of Reference and agree to support the objectives of the network. National Chapters are run by a Chapter Chair, or a National Chapter Coordinating Team, who reports regularly to the management team.

There are currently sixteen National Chapters: Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Cameroon, India, Kenya, Morocco, Myanmar, Mexico, Nigeria, Oman, Poland, South Africa, Tanzania, Türkiye and the USA. WINLPG holds six monthly calls with the entire National Chapter coordinators group and also individual calls with countries for specific discussions. Nikki Brown is the direct contact for the National Chapter Chairperson.

This year we will organise a one-to-one call with each National Chapter Chair and Esther Busscher, WINLPG Global Chair starting February, aiming to complete end Q2.

WINLPG Knowledge Exchange Sessions

WINLPG plans to hold at least one Knowledge Exchange Session in 2026. This will take place during Liquid Gas Week in Istanbul (October). A second Knowledge Exchange Session may be planned in close collaboration with the WLGA Cooking For Life Africa Task Force.

WINLPG Positioning, Profile and Presentation Training Programme

WINLPG Leadership team will develop a dedicated training programme to be further developed annually over the current three-year period.

Year 1 Development of the programme

Year 2 Train the Trainer

Year 3 Launch of **WINLPG Women in LPG Leadership Programme** (working title).

Role Model Profile Library and Ambassadors

Role model profiles are interviews with inspirational women in the industry and these published reviews are housed on the WLGA WINLPG website. Role model profiles give visibility to women in the industry, enabling them to tell their stories and lend advice to fellow WINLPG members. The goal is to launch at least six new role models in 2026 using a revised template.

An Ambassador is an individual who supports WINLPG and its activities and their visible support lends gravitas to the network. We aim to review the Ambassador strategy and welcome four new Ambassadors in 2025.

The WINLPG Awards

Each year we invite nominations for the Woman of the Year, Young Woman of the Year awards and the Technical Ground Breaker award. The 2026 awards will open in May, and the winners will be announced during Liquid Gas Week in Istanbul in October 2026.

‘After One Year’ Interviews with each Award Winner will be published on the website for additional profile support.

Membership

At January 2026, WINLPG had approaching 4,000 members. Our goal for this year is to target 350 new members or this year. For this we rely on the support of our national chapters and also WLGA members around the world to put us in contact with their female team members.

Social Media Outreach

WINLPG has a presence on Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook. The focus for 2026 will be on LinkedIn as a sharing platform. The X handle (#WINLPG) will continue to be used to build a X community but note that this comes under the overall WLGA X account as part of the WLGA’s social media unification strategy. Consideration will be given to supporting a WINLPG Instagram account.

Thank you from the WINLPG Management Team.