

FOR IMPROVING CONDITIONS  
FOR WOMEN WORKERS

## A WORKFORCE AWARD

Marilyn Forsythe has had a passion for achieving gender equality in the workforce for over 40 years. She is a practical woman with a determined attitude.

During her double term – 2007 to 2013 – as National President of Business and Professional Women Australia, she developed an alliance with the Australian Council of Trade Unions, supporting the establishment of the EQUAL PAY DAY campaign and, not afraid to take on the tough issues, she has spoken about the rights of sex workers to fair working conditions.

Recognising that girls are marginalised in PNG, she established BPW Members supporting the Pt Moresby EDUCATION FUND FOR GIRLS. She has strong links to Unifem and was the founder of the UNIFEM SPRING WALK PROJECT in Australia, which is now held in 90 countries, raising funds for women in developing countries.

Through her union advocacy, lobbying governments and mentoring, Marilyn has made a feminist difference for women, internationally and in Australia.



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