

## GWLN FORUM

July 13, 2025 *(In person)*

**Scandic Continental Hotel (city center) / Stockholm, Sweden**

**Sveavägen 167**

### AGENDA

Sunday, July 13, 2025 / (8:00 am – 12:00 pm)		
Time	Event / Session	Details
8:00 – 8:30 am	Events team and GWLN	Networking / Coffee
8:30 – 9:00 am	<b>WELCOME</b>  Dr. Brandi Stankovic Principal Strategic Advisory Solutions  Lena Giakoumopoulos GWLN Director Worldwide Foundation for Credit Unions  2025 GWLN Scholars	Brandi welcomes  Lena's remarks / sponsor acknowledgment and introduction to 2025 GWLN Scholars  Introduction to: Tara Todras-Whitehill, Founder and CEO, TW Storytelling Agency
9:00 – 10:15 am	<b>SESSION 1: THE VISUAL HOTSEAT</b>  Tara Todras-Whitehill Founder and CEO TW Storytelling Agency  This interactive workshop will provide GWLN members and forum attendees practical tools to elevate their visual storytelling through collaborative analysis and feedback. The session will combine brief introduction to visual storytelling combined with an interactive 'hot seat' session.	Tara – interactive session  Attendees will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Learn why visual storytelling creates deeper emotional connections</li> <li>▪ Experience real-time feedback on submitted visual materials</li> <li>▪ Learn tools to enhance visual impact, including what to do when stories aren't 'visual'</li> </ul>
10:15 – 10:30 am	Break / GWLN Group photo	

10:30 – 11:15 am	<b><i>SESSION 2: We for She Panel Women in Leadership: Advocates and Allies</i></b>  Dr. Michael Summers EVP, Chief Culture Officer Velera	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Carla Decker, President &amp; CEO SkyPoint Federal Credit Union (USA)</li> <li>▪ Denise Garfield, General Manager Caribbean Confederation of Credit Unions (Caribbean)</li> <li>▪ Gisele Gomes, Founder and CEO, Paronima and Sicredi Pioneira volunteer delegate (Latin America - Brazil)</li> <li>▪ Sibongile Prudence Vilakati, Manager, Hlalawati Savings and Credit Cooperative (Africa - Eswatini)</li> </ul>
11:15 am – 11:50 am	<b><i>SESSION 3: Call to Action / Table Discussions, Networking, Recap</i></b>  Dr. Brandi Stankovic Principal Strategic Advisory Solutions	Table Discussions / Networking  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What have you learned?</li> <li>▪ What are two actions items?</li> <li>▪ Who are two people with whom you want to follow up / connect?</li> <li>▪ What are your next steps?</li> </ul>
11:50 am – 12:00 pm	<b><i>CLOSING</i></b>	Lena shares final remarks, thank you's and closes event
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	<b><i>JOINT PHOTOS GWLN and WYCUP</i></b>  GWLN and WYCUP Joint Luncheon	

## **GWLN BREAKOUT SESSION**

**July 14, 2025**

**Stockholmsmässan / Stockholm, Sweden**

**Monday, July 14, 2025/ 1:30 – 2:15 pm**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event / Session</b>	<b>Details</b>
	<p><b><i>GWLN BREAKOUT SESSION</i></b></p> <p><b>Tara Todras-Whitehill, Founder and CEO, TW Storytelling Agency</b></p> <p><b><i>Visual Storytelling for impact</i></b> In this interactive session, participants will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- What visual storytelling is and the science behind it</li><li>- Why storytelling is relevant and useful when leading</li><li>- Combining visual and verbal storytelling for impact</li></ul>	<p>Convention Center Stockholmsmässan / Room A2</p>

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