

**WoLIE CoCo at the interlift -
Friday morning 18 Oct 2019 restaurant hall 6**

The Initiative „Women in the Lift Industry in Europe“ (WoLIE) will meet again for their next Communal Coffee (CoCo) at the interlift fair on Friday morning 18 October 2019. From 09:30 until 11:30 h, the “coffee table” will be laid in the Bavarian Alpine restaurant in hall 6 on the fairground in Augsburg/Germany. Food and beverages are to be paid per person directly in the restaurant.

At the last but one WoLIE CoCo – there has been another one after that at the Schwelm Symposium – the female participants observed:

- Meanwhile, several companies in the lift industry have actively taken part in the Girls’ Day resp. Boys’ Day. Their plan is to familiarize the offspring with this industry early on. Wouldn’t it be seminal to change the title of the event to Kids’ Day? At these affairs, the girls like to watch e.g. CAD-animations. If you are interested in such a Day also in your company, please contact a local school.
- In Western Germany, women in technology and management in the lift industry are still exotic. The ladies already heard comments like: “You are taking away a job from a male!” “Females don’t do engineering well!” “You will become pregnant anyway!” To prevail as either female engineer and/or manageress in a company takes its time. At customers, there are much less problems with acceptance.
- In Eastern Germany many things were quite different. Men had to fight for their equal rights. If there have been ill-conceived technical solutions, sometimes, there has been the comment: “That must have been a male construction!”

And how is the situation of women in the lift industry in Europe or in the rest of the world? Is there some communal ground, or are there any differences? Find out at the interlift during WoLIE CoCo; discuss with us. And meet your female colleagues from all over the world.

The number of participants is limited to 24 persons. Therefore, please send in your registration beforehand to striker-berghoff@wolie.eu As a contribution used for the organisation of further meetings, please put 10 € cash into the kitty during the event. A sponsoring of the Initiative, annually or per activity, is possible, too. For further information on the objectives and activities of the WoLIEs as well as on sponsoring, see www.wolie.eu

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