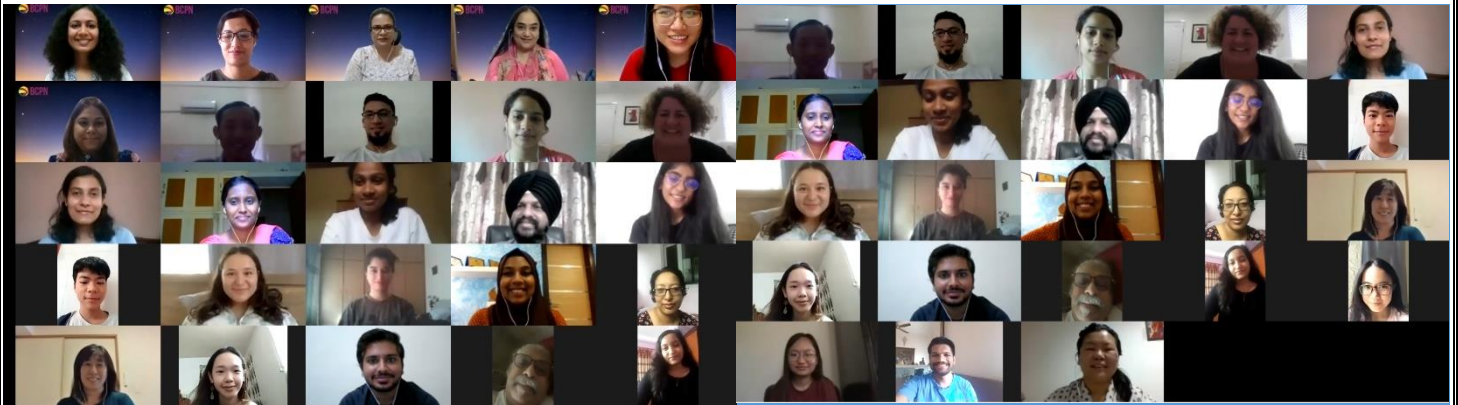




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BRIDGE CLUB Professional Network (BCPN) #2 Career Orientation Webinar Report



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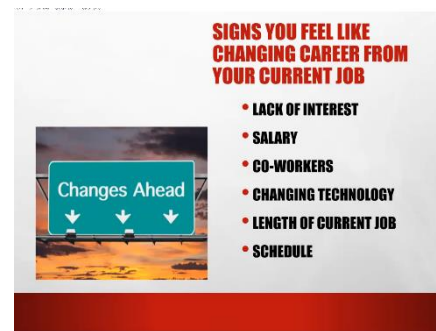
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The BRIDGE CLUB Professionals Network (BCPN) has hosted the 2nd BCPN Webinar on 19th September followed by the successful end of the first webinar held in July. 'BCPN Webinar 2 – Development Series' was based on the theme of Career Orientation; dedicated for the student members of the network and as well as the professionals. From those who are already about to graduate to fresh graduates and already professionals who intended to switch their careers were encouraged to take part in this webinar. Indeed, preparing to nail your job interviews and having the required essentials ready is crucial as you enter into the professional platform and is one of the most vital element of career orientation. Hence, the topic of the webinar was focused on how to stand out from the crowd in head hunters' eyes.

The webinar was moderated by the Development Team Leader of BCPN; Ms. Kazi Bushra Ahmed Tithi from BC Bangladesh. A total of 41 participants from various countries and APCC roles took part in the webinar. The event was kicked off with an introduction of APCC Smile Support Project, which is a donation platform which has been launched recently. This agenda was carried out by Ms. Karuna Shrestha (APCC Coordinator). Followed by was the main items on the topic of BCPN webinar 2 by the Guest Speaker.

The Guest Speaker for this Webinar was Ms. Sudikshya Dahal, who is from BC Nepal but currently based in the United States. She has the experience of working in the HR department and her journey of transformation from HR to an IT woman took everyone in admiration. There were many informative insights on acing a job interview and how to prepare yourself for the job interview shared by her. She also highlighted on factors which people consider when switching their professions. We asked Ms. Sudikshya about her insights on this webinar from a Guest Speaker’s point of view and these are some of the points she has shared with us.



“I was little hesitant whether I am going to present well or not, whether I am going to answer the concern questions from the audience. But overall, I enjoyed it a lot. As per me overall it was a smooth process, I was able to share my experience with audience and answer their concerns. I hope it helped to those who are recently graduate and in the process of job search/job change. It would be great if I can get a feedback from audience and other listeners point of view.

” – Sudikshya Dahal

In order to make the webinar more interactive and to enhance the participants’ engagement, a mock interview session was carried out with 3 volunteers among the attendees. This part of the webinar was moderated by Ms. Van Nguyen Thi Truc, from BC Viet Nam who is the Communications Team Leader of BCPN. The judges allocated were our Guest Speaker Ms. Sudikshya and Ms. Aminath Shaffau from BC Maldives; the latter is a HR Manager by profession.



Some of the participants also engaged in the activity by providing feedback for the mock interview candidates. It was followed by the evaluation by the respective judges of the session. Via this activity, the participants got to learn more practical and handy tips as a takeaway from this webinar from the expertise of the judges. This webinar also had a generous giveaway of 5 free personalized mentorships sessions for the selected participants from this activity to help them ace their next job interview. Both the Guest Speaker and the co-facilitator for this part of the webinar will collaborate in providing one-on-one career mentorship for those fortunate 5 winners of the giveaway.

A session of Questions and Answers were also held and the facilitators answered the questions of the attendees accordingly. We asked co-facilitator to our Guest Speaker, Ms. Shaffau about her opinion on the participation of the attendees and potential takeaways from this webinar.

“☐ Should be a little more interactive for the participants. I.e. demo between groups etc

☐ Time constraints

☐ Propose to get session feedback from participants

” – Shaffau

We followed up with some of the participants of the webinar and the following are some of the feedback we have received.

“Ms. Garima Khakurel, JA 2008, PA 2016 & BCIO HOM 2020 joined this webinar and also volunteered in mock interview session. She mentioned that overall the program was very good. She also suggested that instead of asking for volunteering in mock session, organizer can pick up names from the participant list and ask to have a mock interview. Because most of the participants are reluctant to raise hand and come in front. So, I would like to suggest BCPN organizing team to find ways to make less active members to more active in the session”.

“Ms. Vividha Gupta, JA 2011 mentioned that the BCPN webinar 2 was a wonderful session. I am glad that I had the opportunity to attend it, as being a student I had a lot to learn from the session. One of the great parts of the session was the mock interview which displayed the way an interview is conducted, which was extremely beneficial for us as learners. I would like to thank the organizers who

organized such great sessions and hope that the same will be organized in future too. ”

The BCPN Webinar 2 was concluded with the Vote of Thanks, delivered by Ms. Nidhi from BC India, who is also the Assistant Manager of BCIO to BCPN.

The BCPN Management Team is delighted to have BCPN Webinar 2 become a success. We wholeheartedly appreciate the participants for taking their precious time and being a part of this event with great enthusiasm.

The next webinar is tentatively scheduled after about 2 months. Please stay tuned with us for more information on the upcoming BCPN Webinar

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