

**WISE@QMUL
International
Women's Day 2021**

National Conference
25 - 26 March 2021
Virtual event



Virtual Conference Schedule | Day 1

Thursday 25th March 2021

*Theme: Ethnic Minority
Women in STEMM*

09:45 – 10:00

Welcome & Opening Address

Atiya Sarmin, WISE@QMUL Chair

10:00 – 11:00

Keynote Speech: What It Means To Be a Male Ally

Zeb Farooq MBE

2019 WISE Man Award Winner and Community Integration Leader

11:00 – 11:15 *Break*

11:15 – 12:00

Molecular Biology to Business Development

Dr Olivia Festy, Founder of iCreate.Digital and QMUL Alumna

12:00 – 12:30

Navigating Web Engineering

Winsome Yuen, Web Engineer at Spotify and QMUL Alumna

12:30 – 13:00 *Break*

13:00 – 13:30

Academia to Industry

Dr Margot Khouri, Senior BD Specialist at IQVIA and QMUL Alumna

13:30 – 14:00

Promoting Inclusivity in STEMM

Sheila Gupta MBE, Vice Principal for People, Culture and Inclusion at QMUL

14:00 – 15:00

Workshop (Separate registration required)

Dr Hannah Thompson, Product Manager at HealX and QMUL Alumna

15:15 – 16:15

Keynote Speech: Women in Space Engineering and Rocket Women

Vinita Marwaha Madill

Founder of Rocket Women and Space Operations Engineer at the European Space Agency

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Virtual Conference Schedule | Day 2

Friday 26th March 2021

*Theme: Future Directions and
Priorities for Women in STEMM*

09:30 – 10:15

Keynote Speech: Future Directions for Women in STEMM

Prof Nirmala Rao OBE

Vice Chancellor of the Asian University for Women

10:15 – 10:30 *Break*

10:30 – 11:00

Roles and Future Directions in Chemical Engineering

Yasmin Ali, Chartered Chemical Engineer and 2020 Nominee for Top 50 Women Engineers in Sustainability

11:00 – 11:15 *Break*

11:15 – 12:00

Research Commercialisation

Dr Rosalind Hannen, Founder and CEO of Keratify, Post-Doctoral Researcher, QMUL

12:00 – 13:00

Keynote Speech: Dream Big, Hustle Hard

Abadesi Osunsade

Founder and CEO of Hustle Crew and Author of "Dream Big, Hustle Hard: The Millennial Woman's Guide to Success in Tech"

13:00 – 13:30 *Break*

13:30 – 14:00

Future Directions in Genetics

Dr Sara Bandres Ciga, 2019 NIA Women in Science Excellence in Research Award Winner

14:00 – 15:00

Workshop (Separate registration required)

Dr Hannah Thompson, Product Manager at HealX and QMUL Alumna

15:15 – 16:15

Panel Discussion : Perceptions of Stereotypes Applied to Women in STEMM

Dr Danielle Tomasello, Founder of The Social Scientist and Post-Doctoral Researcher at the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research

Dr Gloria Gonzalez Aseguinolaza, Co-founder and Chief Scientific Officer of Vivet Therapeutics

Dr Katherine Evely, Clinical Affairs Director at Covalon Technologies Ltd

15:15 – 16:15

Closing Remarks