

Vision 2025 The 17th International Conference for Women Engineers and Scientists October 5 – 7, 2017 New Delhi, India

Call for International Participation General Information Guidelines

The Women in Science & Engineering (WISE) India and the International Network of Women Engineers and Scientists (INWES) have joined forces to host the 17th International Conference for Women Engineers and Scientists (ICWES17), to be held in New Delhi, India from October 5-7, 2017.

This international conference, which has been held almost every three years since 1964, attracts engineers and scientists from all over the world, providing a unique opportunity to exchange information on their work, careers and efforts to encourage the effective participation of women in all aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) in their country and worldwide.

We anticipate more than 600 women from around the world, including a number of distinguished scholars, policy-makers, and professionals from India, will participate to exchange ideas and identify a Vision for change that by 2025 can provide for a better future worldwide. The conference will provide an opportunity to discuss innovative technologies in the 21st century across the engineering, science and technological professions and network with colleagues in business, academia and government.

Over three days, the international track will explore the following four themes:

- 1) Science and technology covering broadly the technological innovations and research being carried out globally and the outlook as anticipated in next 10 years' time frame. The planning, design and construction of smart cities to cover how advanced technology and innovations enhance the quality of life, safety, ease of transport and communications and cyber security for inhabitants.
- 2) New ideas and solutions to contemporary problems related to the challenges of climate change, water and resource management, renewable energy, clean fuels, waste management, sustainable practices and social technology which help to achieve Sustainable Inclusive Growth.
- 3) **Make in India Initiative** by the Indian Government that will take up issues related to various corporations from across the world, planning to enter the Indian market and set up production facilities for their products, and will also cover presentations about entries into Indian markets.
- 4) Attracting, promoting and retaining women engineers and scientists will highlight outstanding HR practices, initiatives and programs to attract, develop, promote and retain women to Science and Engineering professions including work-life balance, gender sensitive policies, education and management of cultural differences, leadership development and entrepreneurship.

The above topics are only indicative and the prospective contributors can also address other issues from their country or region, relevant for the themes of the conference.

A concerted effort is being undertaken to obtain sponsorships and funding to provide travel grants for selected speakers. Please indicate in your submission whether a travel grant will be required to cover your travel expenses and the approximate US \$ amount.



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Content is being sought for the International Track for various audiences, themes and formats. <u>Click</u> <u>here to submit an abstract for participation</u>. The submission deadline is **April 30, 2017**. Please download and review the Speaker Overview document on the <u>conference website</u> prior to submission for more guidelines and suggestions.

Audience

- Collegians and recent graduates
- Experienced technical professionals
- Seasoned technical leaders, managers and educators
- Executives and entrepreneurs
- Academics and thought leaders

Session Formats

- Lecture Presentations (30 minutes + 10 minutes Q&A)
- Workshops (1 or 2 hours) [Include names of multiple speakers]
- Panel Discussions (1 hour) [include names of 3 to 4 panelists]
- Lightning Talks (15 minutes + 5 minutes Q&A)
- Posters

Submission Guidelines

Note: All submissions must be in English

- Title of Presentation
- Intended Audience
- Session Theme/Track
- Session Format
- Learning Objectives
- Abstract (500 words or less)
- Presenting Author: name, title, employer, address, and e-mail
- Short biography (50 words or less) including a very brief description of responsibilities and educational background. Note: If there is more than one speaker/author, information for each must be provided.
- Travel Grant information: economy airfare, local travel, hotel accommodation, visa application, and/or registration

You will have 60 minutes to complete your submission once you enter the template on line. We suggest that you prepare all of your information in a Word document and then use the copy paste function to accelerate the process of submission. All submissions will be reviewed by the ICWES17 Committee and authors will be notified by May 30, 2017 as to whether or not their presentation has been selected.

For more information, or if you have difficulties completing your submission online, please contact: ICWES17@wiseindia.org OR seema.singh@wiseindia.org