

Conference "Women in STEM" - The 3rd AASSA-WISE-SCJ Symposium



Monday 4 August 2025 - Wednesday 6 August 2025

Kavli IPMU

Scientific Programme

Program of Conference "Women in STEM"

August 4 (Monday)

13:30 Welcome message Jun-ichi Yokoyama (Director of Kavli IPMU)

Opening message Junko Hibiya (Vice President of Science Council of Japan)

13:40-14:10 Frances Separovic (Australian Academy of Science/University of Melbourne)
Supporting and increasing the visibility of women in science

14:20-14:50 Supawan Tantayanon (The Science Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His Majesty the King/Chulalongkorn University)

Women in STEM and Small-Scale Chemistry: Empowering Change through Innovation and Inclusion

--- Group Photo & Tea time ---

15:40-16:10 Aura Castillo Matias (National Academy of Science and Technology, Philippines/University of the Philippines)

Advancing Human Resource Development for Women in Science and Engineering in the Philippines

16:20-16:50 Suchana Chavanich (The Science Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His Majesty the King/Chulalongkorn University)

Breaking Waves: Empowering Women in Marine Science in Thailand

August 5 (Tuesday)

10:00 -10:30 So Young Sohn (The Korean Academy of Science and Technology (KAST)/Yonsei University)

Strategies for Utilizing Highly Experienced Korean Women Scientists and Engineers in an Era of Population Decline

--- Coffee time ---

10:50-11:20 Nadira Karunaweera (National Academy of Sciences of Sri Lanka/University of Colombo)

Gender gap in research and development in Sri Lanka

11:30-12:00 Kadriye Arzum Erdem Gürsan (Turkish Academy of Sciences/ Ege University)

Turkish Women in Science and Technology: Current Status and Empowering Strategies

--- Lunch time ---

13:40-14:10 Gunakeshari Pradhan Manandhar (Nepal Academy of Science and Technology/Women in Information Technology)

Barriers to Breakthroughs: Women in Nepal's Information and Communication Technology's Landscape

14:20-14:50 Bushra Ateeq (Indian National Science Academy/Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur)

Indian Women in STEM: Catalysts for Change and Innovation

--- Tea time ---

15:40-16:10 Natalia Varlamova (Russian Academy of Sciences)

Women in Science in Russia

16:20-16:50 Aliya Naheed (Bangladesh Academy of Sciences/International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research)

Challenges of building research career in biomedical sciences and way forward: women perspective of a low- and middle-income country in South Asia

--- Conference dinner ---

August 6 (Wednesday)

10:00-10:30 Elizabeth Oda□Women in Science Japan□

Six years of Women in Science Japan: Lessons on community-building, mentorship, and professional development

--- Coffee time ---

10:50-11:20Kazuya Masu□The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology

(AIST)/ Previous President of Tokyo Institute of Technology□
Opening Doors to Diversity: Gender Reform at Tokyo Tech (now Science Tokyo)
11:30-12:00 Motoko Kotani□ Science Council of Japan/CWM/Vice President of Tohoku University□
Women in Math
--- Lunch time ---
13:00-15:00 Movie "Marguerite's Theorem"
--- Tea time ---
15:40-17:00 Free discussion

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