

Summary report of UKC 2018 Forum: KWise-KOFWST

KOREAN-AMERICAN WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING / KOREA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATIONS FORUM



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KISTTopic: Gendered Innovation and Women's Leadership

I. Presentation Titles and Speakers

Hee-Yong Kim (NIH, USA), KWise Outlook/ **Myeong-Hee Yu** (KOFWST, Korea), Introduction of KOFWST/ **Suk Kyeong Lee** (The Catholic University, Korea), It Is Time to Consider Sex of the Cells You are Using/ **Julie Paik** (Johns Hopkins University, USA), Moments of Discouragement, Hope and Wonder: Perspective of An Aspiring Korean American Female Scientist/ **Jennifer Hyunjong Shin** (KAIST, Korea), Laboratory Safety Management for Women Scientists/ **Sujin Lee** (Emory University, USA), Kids Draw Scientists as Women/ **Miyoung Song-Jeung** (University Hospital of Strasbourg, Strasbourg, France), EKWSEA and Women Scientists in Western Europe

II. Panel Discussion

MiHye Kim (Chungbuk National University, Korea)/ **Heykyung Lee** (Johns Hopkins University, USA)/ **Ran Baik** (Honam University, Korea)/ **Myung-Hee Park** (NIH, USA)

III. Key Messages

Korean-American Women in Science and Engineering (KWise) and Korean Federation of Women's Science & Technology (KOFWST) invite you (regardless of gender) to the Women's Forum entitled "Gendered Innovation and Women's Leadership." It is organized to promote a spirit of pursuing scientific excellence for discoveries in the era of the 4th industrial revolution with attention to gender-related issues. The goal is to harness the untapped leadership potential of female scientists and engineers to empower a future generation of women leaders in science and technology. It will be an interactive and engaging event to further foster peer networking and mentoring among attendees. KWise and KOFWST provide a platform for current and future leaders to meet in an environment where meaningful partnerships and friendships can be nurtured. It should be a great opportunity to exchange ideas, learn and inspire, and promote better leadership for a changing world.

II. Critical Challenges

This year we have also actively recruited women speakers at the scientific sessions/forums of UKC to make it easier for them to participate in the Women's Forum. We have also invited younger generation professionals to the forum as speakers to share their experience and challenges. Continuing efforts should be made to encourage participation of young women scientists at UKC and KWise-KOFWST forum to truly take advantage of the multigenerational and multidisciplinary networking opportunity the KWise-KOFWST forum offers.

III. Future Directions

It is important to attract young generation women scientists/engineers to participate in the forum for nurturing

future women leaders in the science and engineering fields. The KWise-KOFWST Forum at UKC may continue to serve as a platform to exchange ideas and encourage the future generation by discovering/highlighting new talents and providing opportunity to network among the current and future women leaders in the math, science and engineering fields.

