



WITS IRELAND

WITS is an independent, voluntary membership organisation set up in 1990 to actively promote and support women in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM). Corporate members include Silicon Republic, the Science Gallery and ESB. Individual members span academia and industry, students and professionals.

WHY JOIN?



- Member events: past events with speakers like astrophysicist Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell (the discoverer of pulsars) and Dr Helen Sheridan, TCD School of Pharmacy.
- Workshops: e.g. Women in Stem Wikipedia Editathon, Branding on Social Media.
- Monthly newsletter of WITS and other associated events
- WITS is working towards a world where women have the freedom to reach their full potential through informed choices.

WHAT WE DO?



- Support and networking for members (events and workshops)
- Advocate for policy change with groups like the National Women's Council of Ireland and at governmental level on the Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation
- Participate in joint initiatives like MinT mentoring women in STEM, and Athena SWAN
- Promote gender equality in higher education and research.
- Previous projects include a Talent Bank of expertise, return-to-work schemes and "role model" programmes for secondary school students.

WHO ARE WE?



SOME OF OUR MEMBERS:

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Dr. Marion Palmer - Head of Department of Technology and Psychology. Educator, formerly a science teacher and Chair of WITS.

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Vicky Twomey-Lee - Tech events organiser and mentor encouraging diversity in tech; a geek who loves coding and an aspiring creative.

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Prof Ita Richardson - Principal Investigator, Process Quality Research Group. Science Foundation Ireland Industry Fellow. Lero - the Irish Software Research Centre. ARCH - Applied Research for Connected Health Technology Centre. Department of Computer Science & Information Systems. University of Limerick, Ireland.

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Niamh Shaw - Performer-Scientist-Communicator who makes STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Maths) events in the middle ground between Art & Science. Passionate about igniting curiosity and inspiring the next generation to Dream Big.

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Laura Tobin - PhD Candidate & Science Communicator. Laura is an experimental physics graduate, a graduate of the TCD-UCD Innovation Academy and is currently a PhD candidate in optical engineering at University College Dublin.

SUPPORT WOMEN IN STEM

Join us in our mission to have people in STEM supporting women in STEM to reach their full potential through informed choices!

Find us at www.witsireland.com.
Membership is free for students, €25 for new members and €40 for continuing members for membership up to the end of December 2016.

CORPORATE MEMBERS

