

# Career Development Workshop for Women in Physics



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**Trieste, Italy**

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The Workshop will combine a variety of highly interactive exercises, talks, panel discussions, training sessions and other activities designed to help women in physics share their experiences, gain self-confidence and acquire extra skills they need to become successful in their professions.

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## Description:

It is increasingly being recognized that the low number of women in physics, and the sometimes adverse working conditions that these women face, is a serious problem for the physics community as a whole. As a step towards addressing some of these issues, we have been conducting Career Development Workshops for Women in Physics at the ICTP. Two such workshops were conducted in 2013 and 2015. The overwhelmingly positive response to these workshops, and the fact that several women who applied were not able to participate in these earlier workshops due to either a lack of funds or space, has motivated us to hold a third such workshop in 2017.

From the feedback received from participants, we know that the format we have developed works well and has been greatly appreciated. A new group of women scientists will be selected for this year's workshop, with the aim of reaching the greatest range of participants possible.

## Topics:

- Ice-breaking activities
- 'World Cafe' format discussion of issues of interest
- Review of status worldwide of women in physics
- Talks by successful women in physics
- Mini workshops on paper writing, oral presentation, grant proposals, CV preparation, negotiation skills
- Panel discussions on teaching, reconciling career and family, issues faced by women in developing world
- 'Drama therapy' workshops on challenging work environments and sexual harassment
- Scientific poster session

## Speakers:

Elizabeth H Simmons, Michigan State University, USA  
Shobhana Narasimhan, JNCASR, Bangalore, India  
Nicola A. Spaldin, ETH, Switzerland  
Bilge Demirköz, Middle East Technical University, Turkey  
R Sekhar Chivikula, Michigan State University, USA  
Maitri Gopalakrishna, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, India  
Iyabo Usman, University of Witwatersrand, South Africa  
Rabia Salihu Said, Bayero University Kano, Nigeria  
NS Anuradha, Sindelfingen, Germany  
Alison Hatt, Lawrence Berkeley Labs, USA

Some invited speakers to be confirmed

## How to apply:

Online application:  
<http://indico.ictp.it/event/7995/>

Female scientists are encouraged to apply.

## Grants:

A limited number of grants are available to support the attendance of selected participants, with priority given to participants from developing countries. There is no registration fee.

## Deadline:

**10 July 2017**



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