

# CLOSING THE INNOVATION GAP IN INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT: THE UNDERRATED ROLE OF WOMEN

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# INTRODUCTION

## ❑ **Women's under representation in Infrastructure economic activities**

### ❑ **SDG 9 :**

- Develop quality Infrastructure with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all;
- Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization;
- Increase the access of small-scale industrial and other enterprises to financial services;
- upgrade infrastructure and retrofit industries to make them sustainable;
- Enhance scientific research, upgrade the technological capabilities of industrial sectors;
- Support domestic technology development, research and innovation in developing countries;
- increase access to information and communications technology and strive to provide universal and affordable access to the Internet.

### ❑ **SDG 5:**

- Women's Participation in Leadership/decision-making positions especially wrt Infrastructure Economic activities.



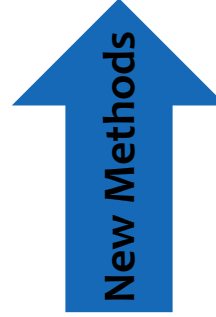
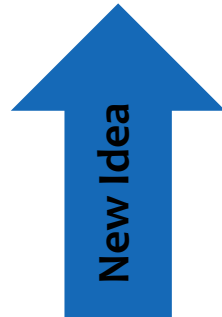
# Identifying the Gap



# Closing the Gap



INNOVATION



# Closing the Gap

- Leverage on what's on offer at ECSA, SAIMechE and other Voluntary Associations;
- Be the one to usher in the new era of Woman's Involvement in Infrastructure related Decision-Making & Management activities;
- Define the characteristics of Future Champions for sustainability;
- Advancement of interventions underpinned by Integration of Physical Infrastructure and ICT;
- Define the Controls and Measurements; and
- Be on the lookout for Continuous Improvement Add-ons



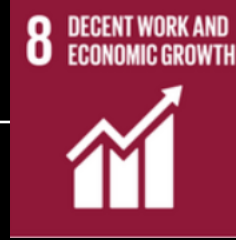
# Conclusion

Impactful progress on Women's Involvement on Economic activities related to Infrastructure depends on Women;

Successful realisation of SDG9 objectives will have a multiplier effects for, at least:

- SDG 5,
- SDG 6,
- SDG 7,
- SDG 8, and
- SDG 10

And Yes, it is possible to achieve the SDGs with women making up the majority in a meaningful way, it'll take each resilient woman's involvement.



# The End

# Q&A

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