



# Agreement

between the

World Federation of Engineering Organisations (WFEO)

and

The International Network for Women Engineers and Scientists  
(INWES)

On

Co-operation to support Women in Engineering

Paris, 7, March 2018

## **1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Agreement is to promote cooperation in and joint promotion of activities designed to provide independent and internationally recognised actions on women in science and engineering. The co-ordinated efforts of the members of WFEO and INWES will be undertaken through agreed policies and programs.

## **2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

WFEO and INWES acknowledge that:

WFEO established in 1968, is the peak body for national and regional professional engineering institutions, with members from nearly 100 nations and represents more than 30 million engineers. WFEO is a member of the major science and technology group at the United Nations (UN) and provides high-level advice on issues that involve science, technology and engineering to the UN, UNESCO and related UN organisations. It has special consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and is working with the UN and international organisations to progress the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals through engineering.

and

INWES, established in 2001, an NGO recognised by UNESCO and registered in Canada for the purpose of promoting and supporting women engineers and scientists around the world. It is a global network of organisations reaching over 60 countries worldwide. INWES was granted special consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in April 2017.

Both organisations agree to cooperate with each other to advance the contribution of women engineers and scientists for the benefit of peoples throughout the world.

Each organisation recognises the mission, vision and objectives of the other organisation as provided at:

- INWES: [www.INWES.org](http://www.INWES.org)
- WFEO: [www.WFEO.org](http://www.WFEO.org)

## **3. JOINT ACTIVITIES**

The organisations may enter into joint projects and events such as projects, conferences and forums, that promote women in engineering and science, as agreed from time to time.

The organisations will also enter into joint activities devoted to promote and support women in all areas relating to engineering education, preserving and sustaining the environment,

improving the engineering, sciences and technology awareness in the general public and improving the image of the engineering and technological sciences generally.

The organisations will seek opportunities to cooperate in the preparation of policy statements in their shared areas of expertise which may be made available to national and international organisations to inform them and others of important issues relevant to humanity.

#### **4. INVITATIONS TO CONFERENCES, EVENTS AND TECHNICAL MEETINGS**

Schedules for conferences and major events will be exchanged between the organisations.

#### **5. JOINT MEETINGS**

Each organisation agrees to invite the other to send an observer to major meetings: the INWES major meetings and forums and WFEO General Assembly and to welcome participation in associated conferences or forums held in conjunction with those meetings.

The WFEO Committee for Women in Engineering (CWIE) will invite participation by an INWES representative as an observer at their meetings. INWES will invite participation by a representative of the WFEO CWIE as an observer in INWES meetings.

#### **6. REVIEW AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION**

The term of this Agreement will be for an initial duration of four (4) years from the date of signature.

Either organisation may terminate its obligations under this agreement by three months in notice to the other party.

Amendments to the Agreement may be proposed at any time.

This Agreement and any amendments thereto will come into force only after ratification of the governing bodies of each organisation.

The following addresses apply for the purposes of formal notification under this agreement.

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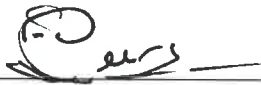
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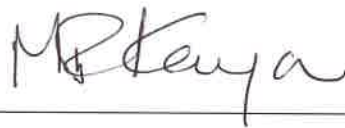
Agreed on \_\_7th\_\_ the day of \_\_March\_\_ 2018 in duplicate, each copy equally authentic,



President

 Gail Mattson

date signed: 7/3/2018



President

Marlene Kanga

date signed: 7/3/2018