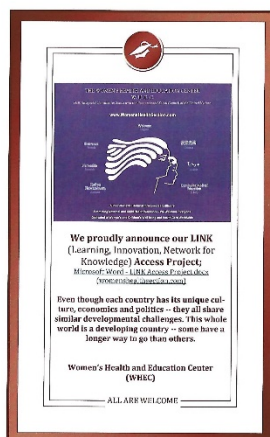




7th Multistakeholder Science, Technology and Innovation Forum
Virtual Side Event, 4 May 2022, 10.30 am to 11.45 am EST
Sponsor: Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC)

Strategies to Strengthen National and International Policies
In Education and Health
Summary of the Side Event

Imagine, students in developing and developed countries, simultaneously, reviewing the same medical education, and learning from each other. That is, e-learning at its BEST, in an Internet Classroom, with this goal, Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC), in collaboration with the United Nations (UN) had launched e-Health Platform, which is available in six official languages of UN <http://www.WomensHealthSection.com>. It is serving in 227 countries and territories. Two decades of serving and advancing global health, with our partners and UN System, has strengthened and reaffirmed our faith, that e-Health and e-Government – is the way forward. Our special focus is on SDGs # 3, 4, 5, 10, 16 and 17.



The Objectives of the Side Event were:

To establish collaboration with programs in low- and middle-income countries, to accelerate SDGs 3, 4, 5, in association with the developed countries of mutual benefit and mutual respect;
To catalyze collaborative networks – cutting across disciplines, sectors and borders.

Concept Note

Dr. Rita Luthra: President, Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC) opened the session with introduction of various initiatives of WHEC, and Recommendations for Areas Future Development: **WHEC Statement**

1. *Health Promoting Schools* – both physical and mental health;
2. A long-term plan that is binding on all parties at all times;
3. Sustainable finance;
4. Support for pilot projects/programs and their conversion to regular programs as soon as they prove successful;
5. Involvement of health authorities at national, state and district levels;
6. Government-commitment is necessary;
7. A Global Fund for Continuing Medical Education (CME);

8. Improving the accessibility for girls, women and minorities to STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Medical) Programs.

Distinguished Speaker & Lecture by Dr. Roger P. Worthington (London, U.K.): Fellow, UN SDG Publishers Compact; focused on *Educating to address healthcare needs for refugees and displaced persons*. It generated lots of interest and questions from the audience.

Dr. Debra Rowe: President of U.S. Partnership for Education for SDGs, focal point of her presentation was on climate change. “What it means to be a climate refugee.”

Ms. Dana Compton: Managing Director and Publisher, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE); (USA); discussed - making STEMM programs accessible for girls, women and minorities.

Ms. Upasana Chauhan, Main NGO Representative at the UN, New York; International Advisor & Activist; Women’s Health and Education Center (WHEC), New York, NY; (USA) highlighted - Contribution of Sexual-Minorities (LGBTQ+) to the Science, Technology & Innovation.

Women’s Health and Education Center (WHEC) promotes, optimal health and wellbeing of all children and all adults. A core mission of WHEC is to support the best interests of all children and all adults, regardless of their home or family structure of the common principles of justice. Our messages were: Understand and promote understanding; Create an inclusive environment; Plan for continuity of care; Provide trauma-informed care – understand the impact of identity-based trauma on cognition, emotion, behavior, and perception; and Educate the public and healthcare professionals to reduce the stigma and harassment and violence in lives of LGBTQ+ people.

Dr. Dawna K. Jenne: Additional NGO Representative of WHEC to UN, presented the STEMM success stories.

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Overall, it was a very productive and informative session and audience loved the session. We have already received very good reviews.

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Presentation & Program

Meeting Recording:

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