Singapore as Host of the Next Gender Summit - Asia Pacific (GS-AP 2019)

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GS 15 LONDON, 19 JUNE 2018
The impact of GS10, Tokyo on GS-AP 2019, Singapore

- Tackle gender inequality in STEM from various levels
- Multidimensional approach including Grassroots + Policy
- GS 10 outcome: BRIDGE
- GS-AP 2019, Singapore: By women in science Singapore
Why Singapore for GS-AP 2019?

- Singapore has a huge focus on Science, Technology and Innovation (STI):
  - Incorporating gender dimension into research will help benefit research and fill gaps in innovation
- Promote collaborations between other countries in the AP region
- Top venue in Asia Pacific to host international meetings
- Bring all grassroots level efforts in STEM in Singapore under one umbrella
The MBI Women in Science

- Tackle unconscious bias through conscious efforts
- Career talks by female role models
- Self development talks and workshops
- Provide early exposure for girls to research environment through outreach
- Ensure comfortable work environment: nursing room
- Organize a free national science symposium, BIOS, for women scientists in Singapore

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Singapore Women In Science

- Monthly Career talks by female leaders from all fields of science
  - Exploring various Science career options
- Networking happy hours
- Support group for mentorship
- Facilitate collaborations
- Bring all WIS groups together

https://SingaporeWomenInScience.org

twitter: @SgWomenInSci
Co-hosted Dr. Elizabeth Pollitzer in Jan 2018

THE NEED AND OPPORTUNITIES TO ADVANCE AND BENEFIT FROM GENDER-SENSITIVE RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Dr. Elizabeth Pollitzer
Co-founder & Director of Portia Ltd;
Founder of the Gender Summit

DATE: TUESDAY, 16 JANUARY 2018
TIME: 4PM - 5PM
VENUE: CREATION THEATRETTE
(LIA, MATRIX, 50 BIOPOLIS ST, S138871)

Dr. Pollitzer founded the Gender Summit platform in 2011 and has driven its global development across six regions, with 13 events until end of 2017. This includes creating the global community of experts and practitioners, which is 6000 strong at present. She is expert adviser to the European Commission and other policy making bodies. She speaks and writes on gender issues in research and innovation process from the perspective of improving quality, impact, and societal responsibility. Dr.Pollitzer’s science background includes biophysical science, computing, information systems and gender issues.

Majority to form the GS-AP 2019 organizing committee
Advisory Committee GS-AP 2019, Singapore

- Dr. Elizabeth Pollitzer, Director, Portia
- **Prof. Zee Upton, Executive Director, Institute of Medical Biology, A*STAR**
- **Prof. Birgit Lane, Chief Scientist, Skin Research Institute Singapore, A*STAR**
- Prof. Linda Kenney, Mechanobiology Institute, NUS
- Ms. Tricia Huang, Executive Director, National Medical Research Council
- Ms. Susan Bennett, Director, MSD, Singapore
- Dr. Masaki Sato, Director, Japan Science & Technology Agency, Singapore
Organizational Functions and Themes
GS-AP 2019, Singapore

Scientific Research & Healthcare
Entrepreneurship & Innovation
Gender Equality programs
STEM Education
Policy & Best Practices

EMPHASIS ON ACTIONABLE CHANGES
Probable Guest of honour at the summit –
First Female President of Singapore
Halimah Yacob
GENDER SUMMIT - ASIA PACIFIC IN SINGAPORE
AUGUST 27-28, 2019
BIOPOLIS