

International Conference
**Gender and
Minorities in
Science Education**
Global Perspectives and
Local Practices

14 October 2025
9:30 | 17:30 (UTC +2)
Aula Magna - Palazzo Gravina
Via Monteoliveto 3, Napoli



The conference aims to enhance critical discussions on equity, access, and intersectional pedagogies in education—particularly STEM—for women and underrepresented minorities.

Through an intercultural lens that compares experiences across different countries and disciplines, the initiative will explore how science is defined, taught, and practiced and which obstacles prevent participation and representation. It also aims to reflect on the current global context and its influence on educational landscapes.

The contributions range from academic research to student-led perspectives, highlighting global patterns and local practices. By incorporating a diversity of viewpoints, the conference seeks to challenge exclusionary paradigms and promote inclusive, transformative approaches to science education, ultimately amplifying the voices of those historically marginalized.

La conferenza mira a incoraggiare discussioni critiche su pedagogie intersezionali, equità e accesso all'educazione — in particolare nelle discipline STEM — per le donne e le minoranze sottorappresentate.

Attraverso una lente interculturale che confronta esperienze di diversi paesi e discipline, l'iniziativa esplorerà come la scienza viene definita, insegnata e praticata, e quali ostacoli impediscono partecipazione e rappresentazione. L'evento vuole inoltre promuovere una riflessione sul contesto globale attuale e sulla sua influenza sugli scenari educativi.

I contributi spazieranno dalla ricerca accademica a prospettive elaborate da studenti, evidenziando sia modelli globali che pratiche locali. Incorporando una diversità di punti di vista, la conferenza si propone di mettere in discussione i paradigmi escludenti e promuovere approcci inclusivi e trasformativi all'educazione scientifica, amplificando le voci di coloro che storicamente sono stati emarginati.

Register at this [link](#) for the in-person event.

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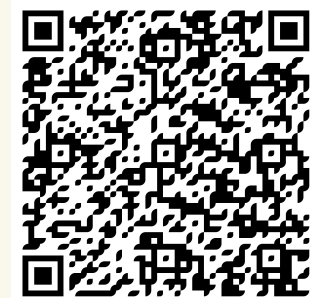
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9:30 - Institutional Greetings

9:40 - Opening Perspectives

Antonella Liccardo

President of The Guarantee Committee for equal opportunities, well-being and anti-discrimination (CUG) - University of Napoli Federico II

10:00 – Session One

Maryam Hmoudah

An-Najah National University, Palestine

Rising in Science: A Palestinian Perspective on Gender and Education

Angela Calabrese Barton

University of Michigan, USA

We Were Always Here: Claiming Space and Crafting Futures in STEM

11:00 - Coffee Break

Norma Blazquez Graf

National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico

Gender in Higher Education and Science: Perspectives from Latin America

Samantha Grierson

University of Warwick, UK

Falling through the gap: reflecting on a journey of missed chances and embraced opportunities

12:20 - Lunch Break

13:30 - Session Two

Presentation of a report by students and researchers from the MSA, Scientific Grassroot Movement, Napoli

The Women's Face of Scientific Society: Exploring Perceptions of Gender Stereotypes in a Department of Physics

Rochelle Gutiérrez

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA

On Becoming Good Ancestors: Feminist and Indigenous Perspectives on Rehumanizing STEM

Overview of local educational initiatives on STEM, gender, and educational inequality

Angela Gargano

INFN - Neapolitan Association of Women in Science

Antonella Liccardo

University of Napoli Federico II

Andreana Pastena

University of the Balearic Islands, Spain

The gender of science: A scientific analytically-based project to enhance secondary school students' awareness of gender stereotypes in STEM

Giancarlo Artiano

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Scientific education and educational poverty: an analysis and local voices

Silvia Galano

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The GEDI project

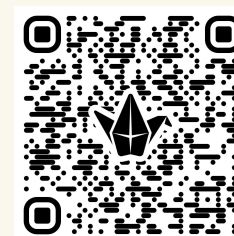
15:15 - Coffee Break

15:30 - Working Group Session (In-person only)

17:00 - Closing Remarks

Access the conference materials at this link.

Throughout the conference, participants can share live feedback, comments, and ideas using a dedicated Padlet.



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