

OWSD 2016-2020 Executive Board Nominees



**OWSD 5TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

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The Nominees

Africa

Esi Awuah *Ghana*

Olubukola O. Babalola *Nigeria/South Africa*

Bernadette A. Ezeliora *Nigeria*

Jennifer Thomson *South Africa**

Arab Countries

Huda O. S. Ba Saleem *Yemen*

Oum Kalthoum Ben Hassine

Nashwa Eassa *Sudan*

Saneya M. El-Neshawy *Egypt*

Asia & Pacific

Hasin Anupama Azhari *Bangladesh*

Akka Jyothy *India*

Atya Kapley *India*

Ilkay Erdogan Orhan *Turkey*

Shahida Rafique *Bangladesh*

Latin America & Caribbean

E. Martha Pérez Armendariz *Mexico*

Magaly M. Blas *Peru*

Jana Rodriguez Hertz *Uruguay*

Elisa Maria Baggio Saitovitch *Braz**

**Nominees for OWSD President*



Esi Awuah

Ghana



Vice-Chancellor & Professor of Health and Sanitation
University of Energy and Natural Resources
Ghana

*Vision: Empowering the African woman
to do quality science research and
advance knowledge for sustainable
development on the continent and the
world at large.*

Nominated by: Swapna Acharjee

Olubukola O. Babalola

Nigeria/South Africa



Director, Food Security and Safety Niche Area
Principal Investigator, Microbial Biotechnology
Laboratory
Department of Biological Sciences
North-West University
South Africa

*Indigenous innovative cutting edge science:
for the world, by the women.*

Nominated by: Abeer Ahmed Qaed Ahmed

Bernadette A. Ezeliora

Nigeria



Lecturer
Anambra State University of Science and Technology
Nigeria

As an educationalist I have always focused on empowering women and bridging the gap on gender inequality in science and technology education.

Nominated by: Ifeoma Ekejindu

Jennifer Thomson

South Africa

Nominee for OWSD President



Emeritus Professor
Department of Molecular and Cell Biology
University of Cape Town
South Africa

Chair, OWSD South Africa

I have great faith in this organization and its ability to make a difference in the lives of women scientists, and, by extension, the lives of every man, woman and child. I will use every opportunity I can to champion the cause of OWSD.

Nominated by: Roseanne Diab

Huda O. S. Ba Saleem

Yemen



Director, Aden Cancer Registry and Research Center;
Associate Professor, Dept. of Community Medicine
Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
University of Aden
Yemen

It is the time for OWSD to expand its current visibility and consolidate its reputation to maximize its supportive role for women scientists at the global, regional and local levels.

Nominated by: Oum Kalthoum Ben Hassine

Arab Countries

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Tunisia



Full Professor
Department of Biological Sciences
University of Tunis el Manar
Tunisia

The mission of OWSD, which consists of encouraging women to participate in science, helps to enable developing countries to make the most of their valuable human resources, empower women and improve their economic outlooks.

Nominated by: Rokhsana M. Ismail AbdulRahman

Nashwa Eassa

Sudan



Assistant Professor of Physics
Faculty of Science & Technology
Al Neelain University
Sudan

2015 Elsevier Foundation Award winner in Physics
and Math

I recognize OWSD as an engine for individuals' and nations' transformation...I consider more emphasis should be put on creating young women leaders.

Nominated by: Lubna Musa

Arab Countries

Saneya M. El-Neshawy

Egypt



Chief Research Scientist
Department of Post-Harvest Diseases
Plant Pathology Research Institute
Egypt

Globally and on a regional and country level, OWSD plays a vital role in linkage of women scientists whose activities can help other women in different fields of sciences, utilizing each other's activities and uplifting their performance and knowledge.

Nominated by: Huda Ba Saleem

Hasin Anupama Azhari

Bangladesh



Chairman, Department of Medical Physics and
Biomedical Engineering;
Dean, Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences
Gono University
Bangladesh

*I would like to make the position of the
Bangladesh OWSD chapter remarkable
through more women scientists participating
in all activities.*

Nominated by: Sharmin Parveen

Akka Jyothy

India



Director, Institute of Genetics & Hospital
for Genetic Diseases;
Osmania University
India

*As women are a great human resource, the
role of women in society is absolutely vital
for its progress.*

Nominated by: Kaiser Jamil

Atya Kapley

India



Principal Scientist, Environmental Genomics Division
National Environmental Engineering Research
Institute
India

As the backbone of society, women should hold the power to create an opportunity for themselves and others. My goal is to use science to encourage a path that will create that opportunity.

Nominated by: Kaiser Jamil

Ilkay Erdogan Orhan

Turkey



Professor
Department of Pharmacognosy and Pharmaceutical
Botany
Faculty of Pharmacy
Gazi University

Science and technology is the only way in our world to reach the top, and we need to have a positive discrimination applied to women, to create new success stories, and use women's intelligence for the benefit of their communities.

Nominated by: Samira Omar Asem

Shahida Rafique

Bangladesh



Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology;
Professor, Dept. of Applied Physics, Electronics and
Communication Engineering
University of Dhaka
Bangladesh

With the platform of OWSD, I can better spread our words, and collaborate to generate new ideas to help empower women in all corners of the world, and make a better and stronger global workforce as a whole in our attempts to build a better and sustainable future.

Nominated by: Nazma Sultana

E. Martha Pérez Armendariz

Mexico



Full Professor
Faculty of Medicine
National Autonomous University of Mexico
Mexico

We need to continue strengthening the network in the region. This will promote the generation of collaboration networks of research in different areas. This collaboration networks will enhance student regional exchange and mentoring.

Nominated by: Xochitl Trujillo and Leonor Bibiana Vilá

Magaly M. Blas

Peru



Associate Professor, School of Public Health
Cayetano Heredia University, Peru;
Affiliate Associate Professor, Dept. of Global Health
University of Washington, USA

2015 Elsevier Foundation Award winner in Physics
and Math

2016 L'Oréal Peru-UNESCO-Concytec "For Women in
Science" Award winner

The challenges I face as a woman in science are very common but the experiences on how to overcome these challenges are not massively delivered...I hope my participation as OWSD regional member for LAC will be very useful for promoting the advancement of women in academia in Latin America and around the world.

Latin America & Caribbean

Jana Rodriguez Hertz

Uruguay



Full Professor, Institute of Mathematics and
Statistics (IMERL),
University of the Republic
Uruguay

Simons Associate of the International Centre for
Theoretical Physics
Italy

*As a woman in science in Latin America, I am
well aware of the specific issues that women
in science face in developing countries...
Women in science are invisible not only in
society, but also in academia.*

Nominated by: Magaly Blas

Elisa Maria Baggio Saitovitch

Brazil

Nominee for OWSD President



Full Research Retired Collaborator Professor,
Brazilian Center for Research in Physics;
Emeritus Professor, Foundation for State Research
Rio de Janeiro
Brazil

My vision for my work at OWSD is to invest heavily in bringing to the knowledge of my many colleagues of all scientific areas in the region the work and the possibilities of this organization. If Brazil cannot be the recipient of the fellowships and prizes of OWSD, it can greatly contribute as a partner.

Nominated by: Leonor Bibiana Vilá

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