Scientists from around the world are invited to participate in the IUPAC 2020 Global Women’s Breakfast (GWB2020). This global event will be held on a single day, February 12, 2020, one day after the United Nations Day of Women and Girls in Science.

The overall purpose of GWB2020 is to establish an ongoing virtual network where women in the chemical and related sciences can connect with each other in a meaningful way to support their professional aspirations.

The theme for GWB2020 is “Building bonds to create future leaders” with a focus on leadership development. Women and men from all types of educational and scientific organizations from high schools to universities, to scientific societies, government and industry organizations are welcome to organize breakfast events.

Breakfast events can be small or large, and we encourage each breakfast group to reach out and form a new bond with another group or to reconnect with colleagues around the world. Networking bonds will depend upon the needs of your team: research partners, mentor/mentee, colleagues, educational resources, job opportunities, etc.

Organizer Q & A

1. How do I get involved? Arrange a breakfast! There is no cost to register and no strict requirements on the structure of your event. Breakfasts can be a quick one-hour meeting at a coffee shop or more elaborate programs over the entire day, it is up to you!

2. Will my event be included on the website? Breakfast organizers who register by the deadline will be included on the global map. Organizers will be able to update their own breakfast information on this page via secure login.

3. What will happen on February 12? The first breakfast events will begin in New Zealand and then the events will cascade around the globe, ending with the final breakfasts likely in Hawaii. Attendees are encouraged to engage on all social media platforms and share photos and short videos using the hashtag #GWB2020.

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