

F.No. M-21011/4/2021-TECH
Government of India
Cabinet Secretariat
National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention

1st Floor, Chanakya Bhawan, Chanakya Puri,
New Delhi, dated 20th May 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Invitation to apply for an online Symposium on Women in Chemistry on 01 July 2021- regarding.

Please find enclosed details of Online Symposium and OPCW-Nomination Form received from the Technical Secretariat, Organization for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), seeking nominations on the above mentioned subject.

2. It is requested that, nominations along with all the requisite documents of a suitable, qualified and experienced officer of an appropriate level may be sent to this office latest by 31st May 2021 through OPCW Training Management System of the NACWC. Head of the concerned Department/ Organization may also certify that the applicant is clear from vigilance angle and that no departmental proceeding against him is contemplated.

3. Taking into consideration of the said OPCW Course Details, the above course is purely technical in nature and is meant for participants with a background in chemistry, chemical engineering, or the chemical industry who are currently working at a chemical or manufacturing industrial facility, research and academia, specialized institutions performing laboratory-scale activities involving hazardous chemicals, or governmental agencies that coordinate chemical safety and security at such establishments. Applicants who have already participated in the above programme previously will not be considered for the course. After attending the course the participant has to submit a presentation and report to NACWC. After attending the course the participant has to submit a presentation and report to NACWC.

4. It is further informed that, the 'Revised Guidelines for OPCW sponsored Events' issued and hosted by National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention (NACWC), Delhi on its website must be strictly followed while forwarding the nomination to this office. This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Encl: As above



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To,

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2. The Director General, CSIR & Secretary DSIR, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, Anusandhan Bhawan, 2 Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Marg, New Delhi-110001
3. The Director General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Krishi Bhavan, Raisina Road, Opposite Rail Bhavan, New Delhi, Delhi 110001
4. The Director General, Indian Chemical Council (ICC), Sir Vithaldas Chambers, 6th Floor, 16, Mumbai Samachar Marg, Mumbai - 400 001, Maharashtra
5. The Joint Secretary(Chemicals), Dept. of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, 341-(C), A-wing, 3rd floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

6. The Joint Secretary (Disaster Management), Hall 'B' 3rd Floor, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001
7. The Joint Secretary (Plant Protection), Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, A-Wing, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi-110001
8. The Joint Secretary, Department of Science & technology, Technology Bhavan, New Mehrauli Road, Block C, Adchini, New Delhi, Delhi 110016
9. The Chairman, University Grants Commission (UGC), Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002
10. The Deputy Commissioner (Training), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, Room No. 404, D-Wing, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi 110001
11. The Joint Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, 6th-8th Floor, Block 2, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110003
12. The Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Post Box No. 4911, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi 110011
13. The Joint Secretary (Higher Education), 107-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, Telephone: +91-11-23385162(O), Email: jshe-mhrd@nic.in


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Excellencies,

I am pleased to inform you that the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) is organising a Symposium on Women in Chemistry scheduled online on 1 July 2021. This programme is financially supported by the European Union.

The theme for this year's symposium is "Fostering a Culture of Promoting Peaceful Uses of Chemistry". This year's thematic topic underlines that more women need to be engaged and represented in the international endeavour to prevent the re-emergence of chemical weapons and to bring the benefits of peaceful chemistry to all.

The aim of the symposium is to illustrate the strength and depth of the contributions of women to peaceful uses of chemistry, including chemical safety and security; to raise awareness of opportunities for capacity and knowledge development for women in chemistry; and to promote international solidarity and cooperation developing human capital for the future of peaceful chemistry, be it in international organisations, government, industry, or academia.

This year Symposium will provide opportunities for the Secretariat to share our experience with the Member States on the OPCW effort to support gender mainstream, women opportunity to join the OPCW capacity building programme. In addition, it also highlight the OPCW as member of International Gender Champions initiative, a leadership network that brings together female and male decision-makers to break down gender barriers and make gender equality a working reality in their spheres of influence

National Authorities of Member States to the OPCW

c.c: Permanent Representations of Member States to the OPCW

The symposium is open to women who:

- (a) have a minimum of a first degree (BSc or equivalent) in chemistry, analytical chemistry, or chemical engineering from a recognised university or institution;
- (b) have professional working experience in academia, science and technology institutions, chemical industry or industry associations, or regulatory or promotional agencies related to chemical sciences;

Due to the impact of and restrictions posed by COVID-19, this symposium will be held online via Microsoft Teams platform.

In this respect, I would like to invite the National Authorities and Permanent Representations to nominate representative(s) to participate in this event. The online live session is scheduled at 12.00 pm (The Hague time), Thursday, 1 July 2021.

Completed nomination form should be addressed to the International Cooperation Branch, OPCW, Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, Netherlands, and submitted by email to icb.events@opcw.org, indicating "Symposium on Women in Chemistry".

To facilitate further arrangements, it will be highly appreciated that your nomination be submitted at your earliest convenience, but before Friday, 4 June 2021.

Additional information about this workshop can be obtained from Ms Halimatussaadiah Mat Som, Programme Officer, who can be reached at halimatus.matsom@opcw.org.

Please accept, your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



Head, International Cooperation Branch

Enclosed: Annex 1: Provisional programme
Annex 2: Nomination form

**SYMPOSIUM ON WOMEN IN CHEMISTRY
1 JULY 2021**

Provisional Programme

Time	Activity
11:30 – 12:00	Online Registration for Attendance
12.00 – 12.10	Opening Session
12:10 – 12:40	Session 1: Fostering a Culture of Promoting Peaceful Uses of Chemistry
12:40 – 13:25	Session 2: Strengthening the Role of Women Scientist in Promoting Peaceful Chemistry
13:25 – 13:55	Session 3: Women as Force for Peaceful Uses of Chemistry: Opportunities for Women
13:55 – 14:00	Online Evaluation
14:00	Closing

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CONTACT DETAILS FORM

Please submit the completed form to:
The Head, International Cooperation Branch, OPCW
Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands
Fax: +31 (0)70 306 3535 or +31 (0)70 416 3228; e-mail: icb.events@opcw.org

Please type or use **BLOCK LETTERS**.

1	Family name of nominee*			
2	First name(s)*			
3	Date of birth	Day	Month	Year
4	Citizenship			
5	Gender**	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	
6	Employer			
7	Position			
8	Contact address (Please do not give a post-office box number)	Street		
		Number	Post code	
		City		
		Country		
9	E-mail address			
10	Telephone numbers, including country and city codes	Home		
		Work		
		Mobile		

* Please give the first and family names exactly as they appear in the nominee's passport.

** For these and all like items, please tick the appropriate box.

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ENDORSEMENT BY THE NATIONAL AUTHORITY

I, _____, Head/Chief Coordinator of the National Authority of the State Party of _____, on behalf of the Government of _____, hereby endorse the nomination of Ms _____, holding the position/designation of _____ in the Office/Division/Branch of _____, as indicated in the attached nomination form, for participation in the Symposium on Women in Chemistry, to be held online, on 1 July 2021.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Official seal of the Organisation: