

Room D

Christine PEPPER (UK) discussed on the potential of diversity for the on-going career development of women and ethnic minorities in UK. She mentioned that women and ethnic minorities constitute 9% and 2% of the construction work forces respectively. Her study focused on the investigation of construction stakeholder perspectives on the diversity issue. She concluded diversity is a difficult and contention issue to tackle and it is well down the strategies Agenda.

Mr R Susan SMANDYCH (CANADA) presented how successful women are in the engineering Profession. This Canadian Council of Professional Engineers (CCPE) survey provided some interesting findings on labour force participation, occupational profiles, educational backgrounds and career satisfaction for both men and women. In conclusion, she noticed various improvements in workplace experiences and showed that women were generally satisfied with career and education. However, she also added that additional skill development and support must be provided in their careers. There is also a need for equal compensation for efforts.

Dr Ukpore-a presented the paper of Dr C N Ikeoji (NIGERIA) explained the major challenges of women participation in Science, Technology and Mathematics (STM) education in Southern Nigeria. She also mentioned the six equity issues. She concluded that the country needs to be more sensitive, creative and responsive to the new challenges created by globalization, new technologies and the quest to democratize government.

Room G

Two presentations looked at women in Science and faculty in Canada and in veterinary Science in Australia. Issues arising out of specific nature women entering 'male domains' were raised (Drs G and R Reed)

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Non-attendee's may be assigned duties

Cocktails Poolside

