

Hello fellow women and supporters of women in science and engineering,

We are the Women-Water Nexus, a committee that is supported by the Environmental Water Resources Institute, a specialty organization that falls under the American Society of Civil Engineers. Our mission is to develop a network of women scientists and engineers in developed and developing countries to promote research in water treatment and water resources with a focus on the education of future female scientists and engineers and the betterment of conditions for women in developing countries.

We are reaching out because we hope to find more people who are interested in joining forces with us to encourage women scientists and engineers in STEM fields. We are hoping that through this proposed collaboration we can create compelling resources and activities for women nationally and internationally. Some of these include webinars on professional development, mentoring, etc. We also support activities lead by our international members such as women-only workshops on scientific or engineering matters (e.g., Empowerment of Women in Sustainable Management of Water Resources in Central Asia and Afghanistan), creating resources for women, such as guides to create compelling presentations and offering a forum in which women can practice and present their work. We also host a session on Women-related issues each year at the EWRI Congress, where we have the capability to support an international visiting fellow ([more info here](#)). Finally, we are planning to carry out an international survey on women in the water sector in which we assess how many women are in leadership positions, how many young women are interested in pursuing such positions, and what their motivation and hurdles are.

Our committee is comprised of women and men in various fields: academia, governmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, and industry from various backgrounds including water resources engineering, environmental science and engineering, geology, etc. While the main committee is based in the United States, we have representatives and collaborators in countries around the world and are always looking for involvement of either additional U.S. based women and are extremely grateful for collaboration from women of other countries. You can learn more about us on our [website](#), request to be an official member of our group by filling out this short [survey](#) and to start to receiving our newsletter, and follow us on twitter (@womenwaternexus).

Please reach out via email (womenwaternexus.info@gmail.com) if you are interested in collaborating with us on any or all of these activities.

Thank you very much,
Women-Water Nexus leadership