**2018 IES Women in Engineering Forum**

**Program**

**Monday, October 22, 2018**

**9.30-9.45 Welcome and Opening Remarks**

*Welcome Message from the IES President, Prof. Xinghuo Yu, RMIT University, Melbourne, AUS.*

*Opening remarks from the IES Vice-President for Membership Activities, Prof. Yousef Ibrahim,* *Federation University of Australia, AUS, and the IES WiE Representative, Prof. Lucia Lo Bello, University of Catania, Italy.*

### **9:45-10:15:** **Invited Speech**

*Nicola Palmarini,* *Global Manager AI for Healthy Aging, IBM Research - MIT/IBM Watson AI Lab Cambridge, Cambridge, MA (USA)*

“Title: Why we need men advocating women in tech (and there is nothing wrong with it)”

Chair: Prof. Lucia Lo Bello, University of Catania, Italy

### **10:15-10:45:** **Invited Speech**

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*Seta Bogosyan, Istanbul Technical University (ITU), Turkey and University of Alaska Fairbanks(UAF), USA.*

### “Future Technologies and Women”

Chair: Prof. Morgan Kiani, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, USA.

### **10:45-11:15:** **Invited Speech**

*Gaetana Sapienza, R&D Manager, ABB Corporate Research, Sweden and Head of Operations, SynerLeap, Sweden*

“Diversity and inclusiveness: important buildings for sustainable competitiveness in a global company”

Chair: Prof. Concettina Buccella, University of L’Aquila, Italy

### **11:15-11:45: Invited Speech**

*Clara Otero Perez, Director System Innovations ,NXP Semiconductors, the Netherlands.*

“Title: The Key is diversity: Developing technology for the vehicles of the future.”

*Chair: Seta Bogosyan, Istanbul Technical University (ITU), Turkey, and University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF), USA*

### **11:45-13.15 Lunch and Keynote Lunch (Plenary)**

### **13:15-14:05:** **Keynote Speech**

*Susan K. (Kathy) Land, IEEE Vice President of Technical Activities, Program Manager C2BMC S8.2-3 Missile Defense Agency, USA*

“Title: When Computer Programming Was 'Women's Work”

*Chair: Prof. Kamal Al-Haddad , FIEEE, FCAE, Canada.*

**14.05-15:05: Panel Discussion**

### Panel Title: " Women AND Engineering: What Works, What Doesn't"

Moderators: Prof. Lucia Lo Bello, Prof. Morgan Kiani

Panelists:

*Seta Bogosyan, Istanbul Technical University (ITU), Turkey, and University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF), USA*

*Concettina Buccella, University of L’Aquila, Italy.*

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### **15.05-15.15: Closing**

**15.15-15.45: Mingle and Coffee Break**

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This event is to foster the women involvement in scientific and technical activities, but it is not intended for women only. Professionals and students, independently of the gender, are welcome to network in a relaxed atmosphere.