

# Women in Energy

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## Today's sessions

**WiE CIGRE UK – Vision & Mission**

**What WiE CIGRE UK achieved so far**

**Suggestions for WiE CIGRE UK in 2023**



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- Expert for grid connection and integration aspect for renewable energy across the globe, providing expert advice on commercial, technical and regulatory issues at bp
- PhD in Power System Economics, Imperial College London
- 11 years' experience in regulated transmission business, leading network planning for renewables in UK, National Grid
- Technical lead for UK offshore network review in the UK

# CIGRE UK Women in Energy (WiE)

- Established in 2016

## Vision:

“Every female in energy to have an **equal opportunity** to make it to the top of organisations and to meet their full potential in their career”

## Mission:

- 1) To **create a pathway** for female in energy to have a valued career within the UK Energy sector
- 2) To **support female** in energy in their career to thrive within their preferred environment
- 3) To actively work as an organisation to address the **negative bias** against female in energy, providing equal opportunity.

## CIGRE UK Women in Energy (WiE)

Year	Event
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch of WiE CIGRE UK – Warwick Business School, March 2016</li> <li>• Celebrating female leadership, CIGRE Paris, August 2016</li> <li>• Mentoring and Networking Workshop, ABB, September 2016</li> </ul>
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career Planning, Mot Macdonald, February 2017</li> <li>• How to build your networks, Birmingham, April 2017</li> <li>• Inclusion and Diversity Week: Leading with Success, National Grid, September 2017</li> <li>• Standing out with Confidence, Imperial College London, November 2017</li> </ul>
2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engineering in Women, CIGRE Paris General Conference, August 2018</li> <li>• Energy Digitalisation and How to Build Resilience, Accenture Office, London, November 2018</li> </ul>
2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women in Engineering and Science, Imperial College London, March 2019</li> <li>• Journey to Zero Carbon Energy Systems, IET Savoy, London, November 2019</li> </ul>
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero Carbon System Operation Event, National Grid ESO, UK March 2020</li> <li>• Clean technologies, June 2020, online event</li> <li>• The mind management event, online webinar, November 2020</li> <li>• SME Innovation Collaboration: a path to a carbon free world, collaboration of CIGRE UK &amp; Greater London Authority)(Online event), December 2020 and January 2021</li> </ul>
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Smart Cities – lessons learned from international implementation”, Co-hosted by CIGRE UK and CIGRE Germany (webinar), April 2021</li> </ul>
2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Celebrating International Women in Engineering, June 2022, (Online panel)</li> </ul>

# CIGRE UK Women in Energy (WiE) 2023

## ***Suggestion for activities in 2023:***

### 1. Activities to be potentially focused on 3 pillars:

- Role model events – Leadership in actions
- Mentoring & coaching – Helping to boost your career
- Learning & Teach-in sessions

### 2. **Collaboration with National Committees of UK/Netherlands/Belgium & Germany**

#### **Collaboration in the North Sea Powerhouse** – (Netherlands/Belgium, UK, Germany)

1. Grid integration and environmental aspects – Netherlands and Belgium perspectives
2. Regulatory challenges and opportunities – UK experience
3. Importance of Energy Security – Germany

***Looking for volunteers to join the Steering Committee of Women in Energy CIGRE UK***