



# 2021 MAPWiST

The Meeting of Asia and Pacific Women in Science and Technology (MAPWiST) is an international policy forum to discuss women's roles in science, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). It focuses on drawing up an action plan towards gender equality in STEM for Asia and Pacific Nations (APNN).

According to various reports, the number of employed women has decreased significantly during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, women have difficulty focusing on their careers due to their childcare responsibilities. However, at the same time, it is a new opportunity to bring attention to talented women, especially in bioscience and technology. In this regard, MAPWiST 2021 will deal with the topic of <Gender Gap and Perception in STEM> from the viewpoint of different cultural perspectives.

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

### August 20 (Fri)

**Theme: Gender gap and perception in STEM**

Online (Zoom)

**Co-chair** Hyun-Ok KIM (Korea Aerospace Research Institute)  
Jung Sun KIM (Dongseo University)

**Keynote Speaker**

10:10~10:40



**Ten years of research into Gender and STEM:  
learning from the past and looking to the future**

**Clem HERMAN** (The Open University)

**Panel Discussion: COVID-19 impacts on women in STEM and perspectives**

10:40~11:40



**Aguri NAKANO**  
(Okinawa Polytechnic College)



**Battsengel BAATAR**  
(German-Mongolian Institute  
for Resources and Technology)



**Seema SINGH**  
(Delhi Technological University)



**Siew Kien MAH**  
(Women Engineers Section,  
The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia)



**Jihye GWAK**  
(Korea Institute of Energy Research)

**Q&A with audience**

11:40~12:00

Q&A bulletin board is open. Please leave your questions to the panels and share your thoughts.