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WOMEN IN ENGINEERING PANEL

Understanding the Other Half of the Workforce

With Guest Speakers:
Karen Murcia and Chris Jeffery

Karen Murcia has extensive experience in the development and facilitation of adult learning programs and workshops. This includes women in leadership and professional development programs in communication. Through her work she has contributed to the identification of issues relating to equal opportunity for women and the development of proactive initiatives to address these issues in the workplace. These activities aimed to promote a more inclusive leadership culture by opening communication channels. She has taught at both the high school and university level. Karen is currently an active researcher in the area of workplace development. In this role she facilitates action based on real work place issues, challenges, concerns or problems.

Chris Jeffery is currently Director of Human Resources at Murdoch University in Western Australia. He has had extensive experience in the Human Resources area and has taught in high schools and universities. His particular interest is in the use of language to exert and maintain power. He has co-presented communication workshops throughout Australia to government and non-government organizations and also in the USA

Karen and Chris will speak about the different communication styles and ways of operating that occur in the workplace every day. They will explore the influence of gender on the various styles and identify issues that can contribute to miscommunication. Their presentation will assist participants in understanding and appreciating the different communication styles.

This seminar will be beneficial to women and men interested in effective individual and organisational communication and its influence on leadership, teamwork and individual contribution.

Tuesday, 27th May 2003
5.30pm for 6.00pm with light refreshments prior to starting

Lecture Room
Engineers Australia
712 Murray Street, WEST PERTH

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