

To mark the International Day of Women and Girls in Science, the United Nations and Microsoft
present :
Code Girl

This screening will be followed by a panel discussion featuring:



Suzana Filipecki Martins

Suzana Filipecki Martins is a Project Manager at Ecsite, the European network of science centres and museums. At Ecsite she oversees, amongst other things, the dissemination of the Hypatia project, including Expect Everything - a campaign aiming to captivate teenagers' interest in STEM; and the SPARKS project exhibition tour. Prior to relocating to Brussels, Suzana worked in leading art institutions in Norway. At the Office for Contemporary Art Norway, she managed the residency of renown artists and curators, and at 0047 OSLO, Suzana managed event projects and exhibitions.



Tara Ojo—STEM Ambassador

Tara is STEM Ambassador and Software Engineer at leading social learning company FutureLearn. She's already inspiring the next generation of young people into technology careers through her work with STEM Learning. Tara is also a Code Club volunteer and enjoys getting lost in code!



Justine Sass

Justine Sass is currently the Chief of the Section of Education for Inclusion and Gender Equality in UNESCO Headquarters, Paris. An international development specialist, Justine has over 20 years' experience in country and regional programmes aiming to advance gender equality, sexual and reproductive health, and quality and inclusive education. At UNESCO, she is championing efforts to address differential participation, completion, and learning outcomes between boys and girls, including in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education.



Caroline Petit

Caroline Petit is Deputy Director of UNRIC, the United Nations Regional Information Centre. She has worked in the field of strategic communication and media partnership at international level for 25 years. She joined the UN in 2001 and was posted first as Head of the Media Partnerships Unit at the United Nations Headquarters in New York before joining UNRIC in 2013. Caroline Petit coordinates pan-European public information campaigns and co-chairs the UN communications group with 26 UN agencies in Brussels.

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The basic skills learned in computer science – computational thinking and problem solving – are key skills for many subjects and professions. Being sure that all girls have access to this education, including encouragement to study in the STEM/CS fields, is an improvement in equality and leads them to new opportunities. We want girls and women to have every opportunity to achieve their potential.

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UNESCO’s groundbreaking report ‘Cracking the Code’ aims to decipher the factors that hinder or facilitate girls’ and women’s participation, achievement and continuation in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education. It presents the status of girls’ and women’s participation and achievement in STEM subjects at different levels of education. It draws on cross-national and regional assessments from more than 120 countries. It introduces an ecological model to identify individual-, family-, school and societal-level factors influencing girls’ participation, achievement and progression in STEM education, and interventions that can be taken at these different levels to inspire, engage and empower girls and women in STEM.

Join UNESCO in the discussion on how to engage more girls and women in STEM using #GirlsCrackTheCode

Ecsite’s vision is to foster creativity and critical thinking in European society, emboldening citizens to engage with science. Its mission is to inspire and empower science centres, museums and all organisations that engage people with science, and to promote their actions. The network gathers more than 350 organisations in Europe and world-wide.



UNRIC is the communication hub for the United Nations in Europe. Based in Brussels, the Centre covers 22 Western European countries and maintains a website in 13 languages. Visit www.unric.org for more information.