

A True Blue Inclusion Solutions Forum

Writing the *W* into Engineering

Texas A&M University

College Station, TX

September 14-15, 2016

Wednesday, September 14

Annenberg Presidential Conference Center and

George Bush Presidential Library and Museum

3:30 – 5:00 PM

OPENING SESSION

Welcome Remarks

Dr. M. Katherine Banks, Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering, Texas A&M University

Kaye Gardner-O’Kearny, Director, Corporate Higher Education, Intel Corporation

The Call to Action, the Story of the Forum & the Vision Forward

S. Shariq Yosufzai, Vice President, Global Diversity, Ombuds and University Partnerships & Association Relations, Chevron

Creative Session

Overcome a Blank Canvas

Shantell Martin, Visual Artist

5:00 – 6:00 PM

RECEPTION AND TOUR OF THE GEORGE BUSH PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

6:15 – 7:30 PM

DINNER

Welcome Remarks

John Sharp, Chancellor, The Texas A&M University System

Introduced by *S. Shariq Yosufzai, Vice President, Global Diversity, Ombuds and University Partnerships & Association Relations, Chevron*

7:30 – 8:30 PM

A CONVERSATION WITH LEADERS

Moderator

Dr. Adrienne Anderson, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Global Consortium, LLC

Leaders

Ken Barrett, Chief Diversity Officer, General Motors

Angie Gilbea, Principal Energy Advisor, KPMG

Tonie Leatherberry, Principal, Deloitte Consulting LLP and President of the Deloitte Foundation

Dr. Yannis C. Yortsos, Dean, Viterbi School of Engineering, University of Southern California

Thursday, September 15

Hall of Champions at Kyle Field

8:00 AM

ARRIVE AT KYLE FIELD

Coffee/Tea

8:45 AM

Welcome Remarks

Dr. Karan L. Watson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Texas A&M University

9:00 – 10:30 AM

MAN UP: WHY MEN?

The Forum will examine how personal accountability is the key for growing gender equity in the engineering disciplines.

Facilitator

Shayla Rivera, Engineer, Keynote Speaker, TV Host, Comedian, Actor

Speakers

Martha Feeback, Senior Director, Account Services, Catalyst, Inc.

Michael K. Wirth, Executive Vice President, Midstream and Development, Chevron

Dr. Roger Green, Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, North Dakota State University

10:30 – 10:50 AM

BREAK

10:50 – 11:15 AM

Personal Story

Bold leadership in the face of adversity

Ambassador-at-Large, Deborah L. Birx, M.D., U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator & U.S. Special Representative for Global Health Diplomacy, U.S. Department of State

11:15 – 12:45 PM

DIFFERENCE MAKES ME STRONG: THE RESILIENCY OF INDIVIDUALITY

The Forum will lead the discussion on topics related to the intersections of gender, the implications of gender washing and the interconnectedness of collective struggle, with a specific focus on race and ethnicity.

Facilitator

Shayla Rivera, Engineer, Keynote Speaker, TV Host, Comedian, Actor

Scene Setter:

Dr. Stephanie G. Adams, Dean, Frank Batten College of Engineering and Technology, Old Dominion University

Speakers

Elaine Ho, Senior Policy Advisor, National Security Council Fellow, The White House

Besan Abu Radwan, Performance Engineer, Rackspace

Sanetra Bailey, Computer Engineer, NASA - Goddard

Dr. Jakita Thomas, Associate Professor, Computer Science and Software Engineering, Auburn University; Director of the Culturally & Socially Relevant Computing Lab (CURSOR)

12:45 – 1:45 PM

LUNCH

1:45 – 3:15PM

WOMEN: WHY SO FEW? IT'S AN "AND" WORLD. ATTRACT AND RETAIN THE BEST

The Forum will examine unique solutions to attract women into the field of engineering, change the way we invest our resources and unearth the insights that will help us stop trailing all other disciplines within STEM.

Facilitator

Shayla Rivera, Engineer, Keynote Speaker, TV Host, Comedian, Actor

Scene Setter

Dr. Talmesha Richards, Chief Academic and Diversity Officer, STEMconnector

Speakers

Dr. Romila Singh, Associate Professor, Lubar School of Business, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Kaye Gardner-O'Kearny, Director, Corporate Higher Education, Intel Corporation

Dianne Matt, Executive Director and CEO, Women in Engineering ProActive Network (WEPAN)

Dr. Gary S. May, Dean and Southern Company Chair, College of Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology

3:15 – 3:30PM

BREAK

3:30 – 4:15PM

CREATING THE BLUEPRINT FOR ACTION/WAY FORWARD/REFLECTION

Speakers

Kristal High Taylor, Co-Founder and Editor in Chief, Politic 365; Author, The BluePrint for Action

Alexandria Glaize, M.A. Candidate, The Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University; Diversity Fellow, True Blue Inclusion