



Association for IS Women's Network

November 2021

The *AIS Women's Network* is a college of the Association for Information Systems (AIS). The purpose of the College is to promote a network for supporting women scholars in information systems and to enable mentorship relationships that are crucial to speed up the success of women in the information systems field.

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From the Desk of the Co-Chairs

Welcome to this edition of the AIS Women's Network College newsletter.

It has been another productive year for the College and we thank you for your engagement and support. Highlights for 2021 include the ongoing success of our mentoring program with 16 new partnerships formed, lively networking events being held in all three major AIS regions (ECIS, AMCIS and PACIS), two networking events organised by and for PhD student members, introduction of the AISWN Outstanding Educator Award, ramping up of our social media presence and receipt of the AIS Outstanding College Award in 2020. But 2021 is not over yet! To wrap up the year we have several activities planned for ICIS including Member Connect, our Annual General Meeting and Networking Event and the 2nd International Research Workshop on Women and Grand Challenges.

We hope to see you soon!



Vanessa Cooper
RMIT University



Silvia Masiero
University of Oslo

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PACIS and AMCIS Virtual Networking Events

We are delighted to have had two successful networking events since our last newsletter— PACIS 2021 and AMCIS 2021.

The sessions provided an opportunity for members registered for PACIS and AMCIS to make new connections and strengthen existing ones. In the networking sessions, we shared experiences and ideas on diversity and inclusion in IS and considered how the AISWN might expand its presence to support underrepresented communities.

It was great seeing many of you during the networking events 😊

AIS Women's Network PhD Networking Events



New!

We are really excited to report a new networking initiative at the AISWN College organised by, and for, our PhD student members. These networking events offer a chance for students to connect, empower, inspire, and learn from each other.

So far two online PhD networking events have been held. These events took place virtually via zoom and were open to all PhD Students within the AIS network.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or feedback on the PhD networking events, feel free to email the organiser and PhD Representative of the AISWN College, Franziska Schmitt at fraenziska.schmitt@gmail.com.



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AISWN Advisory Board Meeting

We would like to acknowledge the important contributions of the AISWN College's Advisory Board members:

Deb Armstrong, Cynthia Beath, Jacqueline Corbett, Jane Fedorowicz, Helmut Krcmar, Gondy Leroy, Eleanor Loiacono, Dawn Owens, Cindy Riemenschneider, Cathy Urquhart, and Doug Vogel.

The role of the Advisory Board is to provide critical knowledge that increases the capacity of the Executive Committee to best serve the College. On November 9, the AISWN College's 2021 Advisory Board Meeting took place where a variety of AISWN College business was discussed— including our research workshops and networking events, College awards, potential updates to the AISWN bylaws and funding opportunities.





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Panel Discussions on Women in IS

Americas Conference on Information Systems

Elanor Loiacono, Lakshmi Iyer, Maud Elliott and Vanessa Cooper discussed the topic of “Engaging Women in Information Systems: Where are we Headed?” at AMCIS 2021. The panel was chaired by Amy Connolly. Ideas from all three AIS regions were presented, with special care to discuss how these concepts differ within and between regions. The panel identified missing but critical data related to diversity in IS and highlighted important work being done to collect and analyse this data worldwide. You can listen to the discussion at:

<https://aisel.aisnet.org/amcis2021/panels/panels/1/>

Middle East and North Africa Conference for Information Systems

Members of the AISWN, Safa'a AbuJarour, Maud Elliott, Hala Annabi, and Silvia Masiero, were invited to speak on a panel addressing “Women in Information Systems and Social Inclusion” at the MENA Conference of IS in Morocco. The panel discussed topics related to the inclusion of females in the Information Systems field and the role of the AISWN in empowering women in IS.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Menacis 2021

Hybrid CONFERENCE

The 4th Middle East & North Africa Conference for Information System

Pr. Safa'a AbuJarour
Ah-Najah National University
Palestine

Pr. Maud Adjeley Ashong Elliot
Lecturer at the University of Professional Studies, Accra

Pr. Hala Annabi
Associate Professor in the Information School at the University of Washington

Dr. Silvia Masiero
Associate Professor of Information Systems at the University of Oslo

Panel: Women in Information Systems and Social Inclusion
Moderators: May Bantan, Wafaa El Garah

12 NOV | ENCG Agadir, Morocco
From 10:00 Am to 11:00 Am (Moroccan Time)

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The 2021 AISWN Outstanding Educator Award

The AISWN College awards committee received excellent nominations for women who have made significant contributions to IS education. Following the Awards Committee's recommendations, the recipient of the 2021 AISWN College Outstanding Educator Award was:

Anuragini Shirish, University of Paris Saclay



A few of Anuragini's many accomplishments include:

- Coordination of the Business Information Systems major program including transitioning it to a fully online mode during the COVID-19 lockdown and incorporating many innovative features
- Demonstrated agility and innovativeness in her teaching approach, with high appreciation levels from students
- Securing a competitive pedagogical innovation grant in 2020
- Developing international partnerships and strong relationships with industry partners to create opportunities for students and her school
- Supervision and mentoring students to succeed and excel in their masters thesis



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News Bytes: Outstanding Female Faculty Member Achievements

Gondy Leroy was awarded \$1.5 Million From NIMH for Health Information Technology to Support Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Risk Assessment for Early Diagnosis, and \$1.4 Million from NLM/NIH to Study Audio Information Delivery. Gondy was also promoted to Associate Dean for Research at the Eller College of Management, University of Arizona.

Congratulations Gondy and to University of Arizona for having you!

We would like to congratulate our Communications Chair, Safa'a AbuJarour, for completing her PhD studies in Information Systems from the University of Potsdam in Germany. We would also like to wish Safa'a all the best in her new position as Assistant Professor in MIS at An-Najah National University in Palestine.

Congratulations Safa'a on these great achievements!





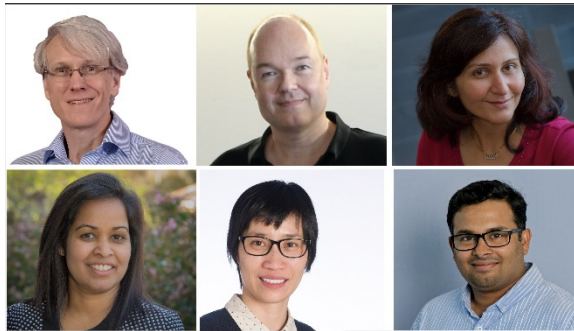
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News Bytes:

Outstanding Female Faculty Member Achievements

Van-Hau Trieu and her colleagues from Deakin University, Australia, have won the 2021 International Education Association of Australia (IEAA) Best Practice Award for “International Students to Responsible Information Systems Professionals”. The IEAA Excellence Awards recognise outstanding contributions by individuals and teams in the international education sector in Australia. Their award was received for their innovative IS degree that prepares students for employment in Australia and overseas by engaging them with industry expectations and social responsibility using real business problems and practice and supporting students in developing transferable skills and evaluative judgement.

Congratulations to Van-Hau and colleagues. Way to go!



Efpraxia Zamani has been recently elected to the board of the UK Academy of Information Systems. Moreover, she published a book with colleagues on the use of AI in the agricultural domain: Despoudi, S., Spanaki, L., Espindola, O. R., Zamani, E. D. (2021) Agricultural Supply Chains and Industry 4.0 - Technological Advances for Sustainability, Palgrave Macmillan.

Congratulations to Efpraxia and her colleagues. Great work!

Congratulations everyone on your outstanding recognitions. Way to go!



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Call for Applications

MISQ Scholarly Development Academy, 2022

The Editor-in-Chief of MIS Quarterly, Andrew Burton-Jones, would like to promote to members of the AIS Women's Network a call for applications for their inaugural MIS Quarterly Scholarly Development Academy. Motivated by the inequities in science magnified by COVID-19, MISQ will offer a Scholarly Development Academy to support under-served scholars in our field. The goal is to help scholars in these groups to renew and strengthen their passion for scholarship during a difficult time. The first cohort of the Scholarly Development Academy will focus on post-PhD, untenured female academics; the second will focus on scholars in the Global South. Applications are due on December 20, 2021. The Academy will be held online, via Zoom.

If you are interested, further details are available at:
<https://misq.org/scholarly-development>.

RRBM Dare to Care Dissertation Scholarship

The RRBM (Responsible Research in Business and Management) Network is calling for applications for their "Dare to Care" Scholarship. The scholarship is open to students across all fields of business. The purpose is to support young scholars who are taking on the grand challenges of our world through responsible research in business and management, especially on problems of injustice in organizations or how organizations can contribute to improving justice in all forms.

Funding will be provided for up to eight awards of \$10,000 USD each. Applications are due December 1, 2021. For additional details, please see:
<https://www.rrbm.network/daretocare/>.



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Upcoming Events

**Mark your
calendars!**

AIS Women's Network College Events at ICIS 2021

The AISWN will hold several events at ICIS. The time of the events below is in CST - Austin TX (UTC -6) or use a [Time Zone Converter](#) to convert this to your local region.

Please join us for:

- Member Connect (virtual), Thursday December 9, 11.00 am - 12.00 pm
- AISWN 2nd International Workshop on Women, IS and the Grand Challenges (hybrid), Saturday December 11, 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm.
- Annual General Meeting (AGM) followed by a Networking Event (hybrid), Monday December 13, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm

AIS Doctoral College and AIS Women's Network College Collaboration

We are pleased to report that the AISWN College is collaborating with the AIS Doctoral Student College. Several of our senior scholars will serve as mentors as part of the Faculty Roundtables. We look forward to supporting our PhD student members at this event!

- Doctoral Corner: Faculty Roundtables (virtual), Monday December 13, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm.





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AISWN Executive Committee

Effective July 1, 2021

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