

Stories that push boundaries

A collaborative cross-sector event to connect and inspire women in the built environment

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20 September 2016, 18.00 to 21.30



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Background

The Construction Industry Council's diversity report, *A Blueprint for Change*, noted that only 14% of the construction workforce is female. The BRE Women's Network is committed to addressing this challenge. Our aim is to promote strength in diversity throughout the built environment industry by showcasing the achievements and opportunities available to women in our sector.

Our next event is cross-sector and collaborative. At *BEinspired: Stories that push boundaries* participants will hear speakers' stories about their own experiences of pushing boundaries in their career. These are not just stories about diversity, but also stories of pushing industry limits and achieving higher quality more sustainable places for people. The event will showcase other industry women's networks with pecha kucha presentations and ample opportunity for networking.

The event is **CPD certified** by the BRE Academy and will be a great opportunity for attendees to earn CPD hours.

Event programme

6.00pm Registration, networking and refreshments

6.30pm Welcome and Introductions, Helen Pineo, Associate Director – Cities, BRE

6.40pm Stories that push boundaries

Victoria Hills, Chief Executive Officer at Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation

Charlotte Wilberforce, Partner at Martha Schwartz Partners

Haley Gryc, Senior Structural Engineer at Arup

7.40pm Q&A session with panel of speakers

8:00pm Women's Networks' Pecha Kucha presentations (5 min each)

Charlotte Morphet, Women in Planning

Virginia Newman, Women in Architecture

Emma Nicholson, Women in Sustainable Construction and Property

Jackie Richards, Women in the Built Environment

Jo Foster, IET Women's Network

8.30pm Networking, refreshments and industry wide networks/membership institutions exhibitions

9.30pm Close

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Collaboration with Women's Networks

Representatives from a range of industry women's networks will showcase their activities and meet participants. A key aim of this event is to raise awareness of all of the existing networks offering support to built environment professionals. The following networks will be attending:

[Women in Planning](#) is an informal professional network of women working in the town and spatial planning profession. The aim of the network is to empower women to be confident professionals in planning.

[Women in Sustainable Construction and Property](#) is a networking group with a common agenda to combat climate change and share information on environmental issues in construction and property, promote corporate responsibility, and equality and diversity at work.

[Women in the Built Environment](#) is a network for female professionals working within the Built Environment. By the Built Environment, we mean anything to do with property – so planning, designing, building, surveying, even buying and selling a house! The aim of WiBE is to encourage and promote women joining and working in the sector.

The [IET Women's Network](#) aims to provide you with a means of support to help you throughout your career.

Women in Architecture

Women in Property, TBC

The Venue

The venue is the Riverside Room at the [IET Savoy Place](#) located at 2 Savoy Place, London, WC2R 0BL.

The Riverside Room is on the top floor of the Savoy Place building overlooking the Thames. There is free WiFi for participants. Please join the discussion on Twitter at #BEinspired.

Registration

Please register for the event on the BRE Events website [here](#). Attendance is £10 and includes drinks and refreshments. Please let us know if you have any accessibility or dietary requirements when you register.

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