Women in Chemistry (WinC)

Networking Breakfast & Panel Discussion

“Women in Chemistry: Careers at the bench and beyond”

The WinC committee invite you to our first networking event of 2018

The event is intended to showcase possible career paths to young females at their early-mid career stage, undergraduate and post graduate students, and whomever else is interested.

After the breakfast, our invited panel will share their career stories and pass on their top career tips. Guests will have the opportunity to ask questions and raise topics for discussion to our speakers in the following informal Q&A. Our audiences are typically from different professional sectors including students, academics and industries. We invite you to join us.

Please register for this event here: https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/VWG786/

Free car parking is available outside the main building entrance and in the visitor car park.

Please see reception for more information

Venue: Agilent Technologies, 679 Springvale Rd, Mulgrave, VIC
Date: Thursday 22nd March 2018, 7:30am – 9:30 am

As always, our events are not run exclusively for women, all interested people are welcome!

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Dr Danielle Kennedy - Director of CSIRO’s Active Integrated Matter Future Science Platform
Dr Danielle Kennedy is the director of CSIRO’s Active Integrated Matter Future Science Platform, known as AIM, a long term investment by CSIRO in visionary long term science. Danielle has a background in chemistry, materials and nanoscience obtaining her a PhD in chemistry from the University of New South Wales in 2007. Danielle has worked at the interface of disciplines coupling robotic experimental techniques, with big data analysis and Synchrotron characterisation to fast track materials discovery in advanced nanomaterials. She has worked with large chemical industry developing catalysts and undertaken a lot of fundamental research in physical chemistry underpinning structure property relationships. In her current role directing Active Integrated Matter, or AIM, a new CSIRO future science platform Dr Kennedy leads more than 200 researchers working across materials, robotics, physical processing, sensors, informatics and autonomous systems.

Dr Susan Northfield - Research Group Leader & Academic Convenor at The University of Melbourne
Susan did her PhD in Medicinal Chemistry at the Monash Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, graduating in 2013. She moved to the University of Queensland and spent two years as a postdoctoral researcher in the Institute for Molecular Biosciences, before moving back to Melbourne in 2014 to work as a senior postdoc at the University of Melbourne in the Department of Pharmacology & Drug Design. She currently splits her time evenly between research, and research administration. Specifically, she is co-group leader of the Drug Design Laboratory in her department, and works as the academic convenor for one of the University of Melbourne’s Research Hallmarks, which promote interdisciplinary research between academics and industry. She is also the chair for the women in chemistry committee in 2018.

Dr Ramila Clugston – Change Manager, Future Way of Working Program, IP Australia
Ramila completed her PhD in Neuroscience at the Howard Florey Institute, University of Melbourne in 2007 where her work involved investigating novel neuroprotective compounds in animal models of Huntington’s disease. Following her PhD Ramila joined IP Australia in Canberra as a patent examiner examining Australian and international patent applications. Ramila’s role in IP Australia has varied vastly over the last 12 years from a team manager of a pharmaceutical examination team in Melbourne, an instructional developer of online patent training modules, a project manager of the organisation’s quality review system to her current role as a change manager. Ramila is currently the Change Manager in IP Australia’s Future Way of Working Program, a role that involves designing and driving the implementation of change management initiatives to transform the organisation and transition the work force to a more flexible way of working.