



European Research Council
Established by the European Commission

On the way to the top: providing equal opportunities for men and women in science and technology

ERC Executive Agency, Covent Garden, 16 Place Rogier, Brussels
Auditorium (25th floor) - 2 December 2013
Draft Programme

REGISTRATION AND OPENING	
08:30 – 09:00	Arrival of participants, security check and registration
09:00 – 09:15	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">Welcome and Introduction <i>Mr Pablo Amor, Director of the ERC Executive Agency</i> <i>Prof. Isabelle Vernos, ERC Scientific Council, Chair of the Gender balance working group</i>

SESSION 1: Improving gender balance <i>Moderator: Professor Isabel Vernos, ERC Scientific Council member</i>	
09:15 – 11:00	Prof. CURT RICE , University of Tromsø, Norway, and Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study (NIAS), Netherlands Prof. LONDA SCHIEBINGER , Stanford University and Director of the EU/US Gendered Innovations in Science, Medicine, Engineering and Environment Project Mrs. SARAH DICKINSON , Athena SWAN Charter, Equality challenge unit Prof. GERD BJØRHØVDE , Chair of the Committee for Gender Balance in Research, Norway; Dr. CLAARTJE VINKENBURG , VU University Amsterdam, ERCAREER project coordinator (ERC funded project on gender aspects in career structures and career paths)

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee break

SESSION 2: Targeting gender bias <i>Moderator: Professor Carl-Henrik Heldin, ERC Scientific Council member</i>	
11:15 – 13:00	<p>Mrs. VIVIANNE WILLIS-MAZZICHI, Head of Sector "Gender", DG Research and Innovation, European Commission</p> <p>Mrs. IOANA BORZA, Gender expert, European Institute for Gender Equality</p> <p>Prof. TERESA REES, University of Cardiff and Director for Wales of the Leadership Foundation for Higher Education</p> <p>Prof. INÉS SÁNCHEZ DE MADARIAGA, Head, Women and Science Unit, Secretary of State for Research, Development and Innovation, Ministry of Economy</p> <p>Prof. VIRGINIA VALIAN, Hunter Collage Gender Equity Project Co-Director and Tutorials for change: Gender schemas and science careers</p>

SESSION 3: Lessons learned <i>Moderator: Professor Athene Donald, ERC Scientific Council member</i>	
13:00-13:20	Observations/Summary (name TBC)
13:20-13:30	Concluding remarks by Prof. Isabelle Vernos

13:30- 14:30 Lunch