



### **GetSET Women News**

Welcome again to the GetSET Women newsletter and a happy new year to you all. We wish you all a very successful and happy year in 2010. With a vast array of workshops and other opportunities in this issue, there's lots of help available to set and achieve your goals this year.

### **Sign up for GetSET Women Coaching**

GetSET Women Coaching is now available to any GetSET Women member working in SET in Scotland or the South East of England. Up to six hours of subsidised coaching is available with a professionally qualified business coach, so you pay just £30 per hour – a real bargain. What a great way to start 2010. You can find out more at <http://www.getsetwomen.org/html/getset-women-coaching/> or telephone 01274 436485.

### **GetSET Women blog**

Our current guest blogger is Sunetra Gupta - epidemiologist, novelist, winner of the Rosalind Franklin Award and mother of two children. From Monday 18 January, the blogger will be Amber Villegas-Williamson, an engineer and volunteer ambassador with STEMNET. <http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/women-and-girls/getsetwomen-blog/>

### **Member news**

GetSET Women member and UKRC blogger Kate Ho has set up on her own. Interface3 is a software design consultancy for multi-touch devices. We wish her all the best for her new enterprise - follow her on Twitter at interface3.

### **UKRC's Progress newsletter winter issue now available**

Including a case study of GetSET Women member Abigail Clifton, who returned from a field trip in the Arctic in September 2009 <http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/progress-newsletter/>

### **UKRC Training grants to help women progress**

Awards of up to £500 are available to women working in science, engineering and technology who are looking to train to return or progress in their career. Previous applicants have completed a wide variety of courses, such as NVQ level 4 or Masters degrees. <http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/women-and-girls/bursaries/ukrc-training-grants>

### **Requests for help**

#### **The S Factor – Where science meets you**

This is a series of events across Northern England where members of the public can meet a woman scientist and learn about science. If you are a scientist living in the North of England, there are many opportunities for you to get involved and gain science communication experience. Speaker fees and expenses will be available for most events. Contact [info@ukrc4setwomen.org](mailto:info@ukrc4setwomen.org) if you would like to register.

On 3 February, as part of the S Factor, the UKRC is running a free media training workshop for female scientists who want to participate (see events section).

### **S Factor evening event at Thackray Museum, Leeds - looking for two speakers**

This is a fantastic opportunity for two speakers - approximately 20 minutes talk each and then open up for debate. Date is to be confirmed but probably between 22 and 25 February. The audience will probably have an interest in science without being specialist. Fees and travel expenses available.

Contact [louisebrown@thackraymuseum.org](mailto:louisebrown@thackraymuseum.org) to discuss suggestions for the debate/angle we could take - possible topics include: use of plastics in science, conventional versus alternative medicine or the science of food issues.

### **Public appointments**

#### **'Take your seat on the board' training, Scotland**

Scottish Resource Centre seminar for women in SET who might consider becoming a board member of a public body

27 January 2010, Edinburgh

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1234](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1234)

#### **'Introduction to public life' seminars**

The Women's National Commission is running free seminars to encourage women to take part in public life:

Cambridge on 26 January:

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1424](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1424)

Norwich on 27 January:

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=961](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=961)

Birmingham on 2 February:

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1558](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1558)

Coventry on 3 February:

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1468](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1468)

#### **Free courses run by Government Equalities Office**

There are two About Time Public Leaders courses –general and advanced. They are free to attend and will run from February to June 2010. Events will take place in London, other UK cities, and virtually. Closing date for applications: 31 January 2010.

<http://abouttime.commonpurpose.org.uk/public-leaders-courses/>

#### **Public Appointments Training - A Guide to the Application Process, Wales**

28 - 29 January – Cardiff

16 - 17 February – Cardiff

29 - 30 March – St Asaph

The course runs from 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. each day and expenses are available.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/women-and-girls/public-appointments/current-opportunities/?vacancy\\_id=306](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/women-and-girls/public-appointments/current-opportunities/?vacancy_id=306)

### **Job opportunities**

#### **EES coordinator, Hampshire**

To develop the Go4SET scheme

<http://www.graduatejobsouth.co.uk/JobDetails.aspx?jID=6559>

#### **Paid internships with bioscience companies**

Six month training and workplace experience programme for graduate-level bioscientists to develop new technical and commercial skills from ORBIS.

<http://www.rvc.ac.uk/Enterprise/ORBIS/Intern.cfm>

#### **EADS – graduate and young professional aerospace, defence and IT opportunities**

EADS is looking to recruit a group of approximately 100 talented young professionals into its PROGRESS Programme – a 2 year induction programme starting September 2010.

Closing date: February 28<sup>th</sup>

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/women-and-girls/getting-a-job/vacancies/?vacancy\\_id=353](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/women-and-girls/getting-a-job/vacancies/?vacancy_id=353)

### **Jobs by Twitter**

Follow 'science jobs' for approximately 200 vacancies per day

### **Awards and Grants**

#### **2010 Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship**

The 7,000 Euro scholarship is for female students studying computer science, computer engineering, informatics or closely related technical fields.

Deadline for submission: 1 February 2010

<http://www.google.com/anitaborg-emea/>

#### **Research opportunity for social and environmental scientists**

Applications are now invited for the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) and the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) Interdisciplinary Studentship competition.

Closing date: 11 February 2010

[http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/opportunities/postgraduate/studentships/otherfunding/ESRC\\_NERC\\_Interdisciplinary.aspx](http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/opportunities/postgraduate/studentships/otherfunding/ESRC_NERC_Interdisciplinary.aspx)

### **Resources**

Vitae published a new guide for researchers in December 2009.

'**The creative researcher**' is available at:

<http://www.vitae.ac.uk/researchers/169081/Researcher-booklets.html>

### **Special offers**

#### **Showcase your expertise to the TV industry:**

GetSET Women has teamed up with findaTVexpert to offer GetSET Women members a half-price discount on your first year's membership. findatvexpert.com is an online database of new and existing TV experts. It brings together experts who'd like to be considered for TV and media opportunities with broadcasters, TV production companies and members of the media looking for experts to comment on a topic or be part of a programme.

The yearly membership is £100 and there's a one-off £50 joining fee. If you register before the end of February 2010 however, you can join for £100 instead of £150 if you quote GetSET 2010.

<http://www.findatvexpert.com/index.asp> If you have any questions, give founder (and ex TV producer) Claire Richmond a call: 020 8742 2541

### **Events and training**

20 January, Open University, Bristol

#### **GetSET for self employment**

UKRC workshop aimed at women considering setting up a consultancy or another type of business in SET.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1239](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1239)

Contact [bernie.williams@womensworkshop.org.uk](mailto:bernie.williams@womensworkshop.org.uk) or telephone 029 20 493351.

21 January, 6-8pm, BCS Southampton Street, London

#### **Tomorrow's women, tomorrow's world**

Westminster University event - how to get women back into IT

<http://www.londoncentral.bcs.org/events/forthcoming-events.php>

22 January, 11-3, National Space Centre, Leicester

#### **LeicestHERday's annual launch**

Theme: 'the 4 E's: enterprise, employment, equality and environment'

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1209](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1209)

26 January, 9.30am - 4pm, Manchester

**Career planning and job seeking**

UKRC workshop - maximise your success in returning to or progressing in your career.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1512](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1512)

26 January, 6-9pm London NW10

**New year, brand new you**

Free workshop organised by the National Black Women's Network

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1339](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1339)

26 January, 5.45-9pm, London E1

**Your best year yet**

Women in Technology workshop with Salma Shah

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1545](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1545)

27 January, 6-9pm, Leeds

Launch of Techmesh – a new business network for IT and Telecoms organisations and professionals.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1435](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1435)

27 January, 6pm, the Royal Institution of Great Britain, London W1

**'Women of Substance: Inspiring Women in STEM'**

<http://www.womenintechology.co.uk/women-of-substance>

28 January, 9-4, Clevedon

**Women in Aerospace: career development workshop**

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1553](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1553)

28 January, 10-5, Norwich

**Personal and professional development programme for women researchers**

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1440](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1440)

30 Jan, 7.30pm, Otley Courthouse, W Yorkshire

**The Primitive Methodist Guide to Arctic Survival**

A blend of science, history and comedy with science comedienne Helen Keen – brought to you by the S Factor.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1450](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1450)

1 February, Leeds

**Women in Planning Yorkshire - group launch**

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1552](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1552)

2 February, 1-4pm, Sheffield

**Career development circles for women returners**

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1551](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1551)

3 February, 9.30-4.30, Manchester

**Media skills workshop (as part of The S Factor)**

Open to female scientists in the north east and north west of England only.

Women interested in media training from other sectors or who live in other areas can apply for the media training in London on 23 March (see below).

To register contact [info@ukrc4setwomen.org](mailto:info@ukrc4setwomen.org)

3 February, Edinburgh

**Business simulation exercise for students**

Organised by Heriot Watt careers advisory service, Exxon Mobil and Interconnect.  
[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1517](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1517)

9 February 2010, Bristol

**Market yourself effectively: good CVs, a great covering letter and impressive job applications!**

UKRC workshop

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1355](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1355)

18 February, Birmingham

**Plan your career effectively**

Consider motivations & priorities and look at options in your working life.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1258](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1258)

22 February, Halifax, West Yorkshire

**GetSET for self employment**

Aimed at women considering setting up a consultancy or another type of business in SET.

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1532](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1532)

27 February, Otley, West Yorkshire

**Science, policy and power – brought to you by the S Factor**

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1409](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1409)

5 March, 10-4, London

**Managing your maternity leave**

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1548](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1548)

23 March, 9.30-4.30, London

**Media Skills Workshop**

Open to any women in SET.

Contact [info@ukrc4setwomen.org](mailto:info@ukrc4setwomen.org)

23 March, 10-4, Imperial College, Ascot

**Opportunities in the Nuclear Industry for Women in SET**

UKRC and EMPower joint one-day free workshop

[http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event\\_id=1561](http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=1561)

Various dates & venues

**The University of York - continuing professional development courses open to the public 2009-2010**

[www.york.ac.uk/depts/arch/Professional.htm](http://www.york.ac.uk/depts/arch/Professional.htm)

Various dates & venues

**The New Engineering Foundation Masterclass Programme**

For science, engineering, construction and technology lecturers, developmental heads and curriculum developers in further education.

<http://www.neweng.org.uk/masterclass.asp>

**And finally...**

**The feminist year ahead**

This is a big year for feminist anniversaries. It was 40 years ago that the first ever National Women's Liberation conference was held in the UK, that Germaine Greer published her groundbreaking book *The Female Eunuch* and Kate Millett published the life-changing work *Sexual Politics*. Viv Groskop rounds up the books, films, theatre and marches that will inspire us all in the coming months:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/lifeandstyle/2010/jan/08/the-feminist-year-ahead>