



Women in Aerospace Europe

# WOMEN IN AEROSPACE EUROPE

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# Global Network

- \* 1985: Foundation of WIA in the US
- \* Today in US: over 600 individual members and over 40 corporate members
- \* 2009 - WIA Europe: Extension of this network to a global organisation
- \* 2010 - WIA Canada was created
- \* 2011 - WIA Africa was created
- \* 2017: **Will YOU get involved?**





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## Vision

*„A world where we Europeans collaboratively created an aerospace sector with an inclusive representation.“*

## Mission Statement

WIA-Europe aspires to be an active ambassador for aerospace. In this context, WIA-Europe acts as an independent network that advocates

- ✦ political commitment in space programmes,
- ✦ promotes professional development in aerospace, and
- ✦ recognizes women's achievements in the sector.

WIA-Europe welcomes the diverse talent that is key to the growth of a modern and dynamic aerospace sector in Europe and beyond.





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# General Information

- ✦ Foundation of WIA Europe on June 12th 2009 in Katwijk (NL) by Simonetta di Pippo (ESA) and Claudia Kessler (HE Space Operations)
- ✦ At start: about 30 members
- ✦ Now ~540 individual members
- ✦ 20 corporate members
- ✦ 9 Local Groups (3 more to be created soon)





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# Board of Directors



**Claudia Kessler**  
President



**Luisella Giulicchi**  
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Individual membership



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Communications



**Diana Pueyo**  
Regional Development



**Christina Giannopapa**  
Professional Development





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# Corporate members

				
				
				
				





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# Programmes

- Networking Local breakfasts, dinners and events at industry conferences, WIA Europe International Breakfasts (flagship event!)
- Awards WIA Europe Outstanding Achievement Award  
WIA Europe Student and Young Professional Awards
- Grants Funding for young talent to attend industry workshops and conferences
- Mentoring Experienced professionals and protégés eager to learn are brought together
- Training Career building courses such as networking skills and professional development
- Lectures Lectures and panel discussion on a variety of industry topics





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# Grants & Awards

WIA Europe would like to encourage and support upcoming talent – young professionals and students and honor senior women for their outstanding achievements

- ✦ **Outstanding Achievement Award**
  - ✦ The WIA-Europe Outstanding Achievement Award is an engraved statuette and an Honorary Membership
- ✦ **Student and Young Professional Award**
  - ✦ € 1.000,- open to individuals aged 21 to 35 registered at a university or working as a young professional in the Aerospace sector in Europe
- ✦ **Conference Grant**
  - ✦ € 500,- to attend a conference or workshop







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# Benefits

## \* **Corporate members**

- \* Use WIA Europe as a pool for qualified female leaders
- \* Benefit from the contact to motivated, outgoing women who like to represent our business – as role models with students and the younger generation, for public events, etc.

## \* **Individual members**

- \* International and company-independent network with women on all career levels
  - \* → Find role models in the aerospace industry and learn from them
- \* Support for own career planning (mentoring)
- \* Personal development through accessibility to WIA Trainings





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# Local Groups





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# Partners



SPACE GENERATION  
ADVISORY COUNCIL



On 'Reinventing Space' conference





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# Questions

If you want to learn more about Women In Aerospace Europe, please do not hesitate to contact us via [info@wia-europe.org](mailto:info@wia-europe.org) or take a look at our website [www.wia-europe.org](http://www.wia-europe.org)

## Want to join?

Please fill in our registration form or visit: [www.wia-europe.org/join](http://www.wia-europe.org/join)

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