HEADLINES

18TH WIN GLOBAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 18th Win-Global Annual Conference was successfully held at the Paradise Hotel in Busan, Korea during May 9-14, 2010. 350 Winners from over 30 countries were able to enjoy a rich programme of conferences and discussion panels but also the wonderful hospitality and culture of our Korean hosts. Winners from around the world extend a warm thank you to Win Korea for this wonderful week and congratulations on organizing such a great conference. See full article on page 2 for more details.

WIN GLOBAL PRESENCE AT THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Win Global participated in an IAEA-organized conference hosted by the United Arab Emirates. The objective of the conference was to provide participants with practical tools to develop and maintain the human resources needed to support the safe and sustainable introduction and expansion of nuclear power programmes. Lead by a dedicated Task force of Win IAEA members and supported by Winners representing other country chapters, Winners hosted a booth and participated in a panel on improving the representation of Women in the nuclear industry. To learn more about this very successful conference, see page 6.

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2010 WIN GLOBAL ASSEMBLY

The Busan conference was preceded by the 2010 Win Global Annual General Assembly which saw the re-election of Cheryl Boggess for a second two year term and the election of 4 new executives. Winners were informed of the achievements of the last year, the progress of various projects and the actions planned for the future. The gift by Win Korea of a Win Global Flag, to be passed on from one Win Global meeting to another, was deeply appreciated. For the full article, turn to page 4.

WIN GLOBAL DONATION TO THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR CANCER THERAPY

A new proposal building on the generosity of Win members was adopted unanimously this year. 500 euros were collected and donated to the IAEA’s PACT programme. The objective of PACT is to support essential cancer prevention, cure and care services in many developing countries. For more details see page 5.

2010 WIN AWARD

The laureate of the 2010 Win Global Award was honored at the 2010 Global Annual Conference. See the full article on page 5.

MESSAGING PROJECT

Win members devoted a lot of time and reflection to this important project. The structure of the resource and the bases of the Key messages have been defined and the final production is expected this year. For more details, see page 6.

WIN JAPAN COMMEMORATES ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Win Japan celebrated its 10th anniversary in style, organizing a reception in April 2010 attended by 100 participants and a tour to Aomori just after the Busan conference. Lucky Winners from around the world were able to participate in the tour and
Celebration of a successful 10 years for WiN Japan. See what they did in the full article on page 8.

WIN KOREA MOBILIZES NUCLEAR EXERTS
The participation of the executive director of KEPCO (Korea Electric Power Corporation) and of experts in energy, journalism, culture industry and other related areas in the “Nuclear Power for a Century Forum” organized by WiN Korea on June 10th demonstrates the active role of our Korean colleagues in shaping the nuclear future of their country. For the full report see page 9.

FRANCE OFFERS SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY FOR FIRST ACCESS TO CIVIL NUCLEAR ENERGY
Important government and industrial representatives of 50 nations were gathered in an international congress on Access to Nuclear Energy organized in Paris last March. Considering that the right to civil nuclear energy should not be limited to a privileged few, President Sarkozy reconfirmed France’s willingness to share its experience and expertise with countries wishing to access to this resource. See article on page 9 for more details.

WIN CANADA HOSTS INFORMATION MEETING AT CANDADIAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY CONFERENCE
WiN Canada attracts more and more potential members and talks of creating a new chapter to extend its network in Quebec while brainstorming for new ideas to engage the public and further benefit the industry. Also in this issue we celebrate the success of Canadian WiNner, Jad Popovic, who received the Fellow of Canadian Nuclear society Award in May – congratulations to Jad. For full details see page 9.

THE 18TH WIN-GLOBAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The 18th Win-Global Annual Conference was successfully held at the Paradise Hotel in Busan, Korea during May 9-14, 2010, with a total of 350 WiNers from 30 countries.

The meeting under the theme of “Nuclear Power Pivotal Choice for Green Growth” included country reports from 26 countries, 73 oral presentations, and 33 posters. In addition, 6 concurrent sessions covering subjects ranging from the prospects for nuclear power plants to human resource development provided many opportunities to exchange information on nuclear technologies and to share the experiences of activities organized to increase public awareness of the benefits of nuclear power.

The technical status of nuclear industries in Korea was presented through the visits of Doosan Heavy Industries & Construction, Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering shipyard, and Shin Gori Nuclear Power Plants construction site.

WiNers also gained first-hand experience of the rich cultural variety of Korea through the tours of the Gyeongju monuments and Geoje Island.

WiN Korea thank all WiNers for the enthusiasm and kindness they showed during the 18th Win-Global Annual Conference and hope to meet all attendees again in Bulgaria in 2011.

Further information and photos can be obtained via the links below:

WiN-GLOBAL proceedings:

WiN-GLOBAL photos:
http://www.win-global2010.org/10_board/photo.php
The WiN Global General Assembly was held on May 11th, just before the opening ceremony of the 2010 Congress in Busan.

The general assembly reconfirmed Cheryl Boggess as WiN Global president for a second 2-year mandate. Her renewed length of term will run from 2010 to 2012.

The election of 4 new executive members was confirmed following the completion of the 6 year term of 3 former executives and the creation of a new executive position to allow for a more balanced representation of the WiN Global membership. The executive committee now counts 15 members. The new executives are as follows:

- Monica Bowen Schrire, WiN Sweden
- Jessie Chiu, WiN Taiwan
- Isable Gomez-Bernal, WiN Spain
- Byung Joo Min, WiN Korea

Membership had increased from 2850 members in 2009 to 3080 in 2010, covering 80 countries in all continents. WiN has 27 country chapters and 2 international agency chapters.

A report was presented to the General Assembly concerning the accomplishments of the last year. In terms of administrative documents, a procedure for WiN Global meetings had been approved by the board while two other documents are in progress, one to provide guidelines for the creation of new chapters and another concerning the establishment of a WiN Award procedure on the basis of newly identified criteria.

During the meeting members were informed of the progress of the working committees.

The Strategic Planning committee was congratulated for its work in identifying the short, medium and long term objectives. The President and executives are responsible for their implementation.

The messaging committee had simplified its approach refocusing its work on one general audience and has identified 48 questions for which key messages are currently being developed. The objective is to finalise its production within 3 to 4 months after which the material would be handed over to the communications committee.

The communications committee was to investigate into new ways of communicating via internet presence and through social media and was also to define the possibilities of a branding strategy for the network. Workshops were to be held for both committees during the congress. Work will be continuing in these areas for the upcoming year.

Important actions to be accomplished in the coming year will include notably the establishment of a formal agreement with the WNA concerning cooperation and support, the exploration of ways to obtain financial backing for WiN Global, and actions to legally protect the name of WiN. WiN Chapters were encouraged to explore options to legally protect their chapters and name in their own countries.

A major highlight of the meeting was the gift of a WiN Global flag offered by WiN Korea to the WiN Global President. This flag will be passed on each year to the country hosting the annual congress.

The 2011 WiN Global Congress will be hosted by WiN Bulgaria with WiN Romania assisting with tours.
WIN GLOBAL PACT DONATION
Following a proposal from Gabi Voigt, WiN IAEA, a new initiative was welcomed and supported by WiN Global members during the WiN Global conference in Busan, Korea this May.

The generosity of WiN members is well known as illustrated by the exchange of an increasing number of gifts during our global venues, a tendency which was becoming “a tradition”. The Busan Congress was no exception. After discussion on the subject, it was suggested that instead of offering gifts to each other, we could build on the generosity of WiN members to reach out to others. The suggestion was therefore to collect contributions from attendees which would be donated on behalf of WiN Global to the IAEA Programme of Action for Cancer Therapy, PACT.

PACT is a programme created by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in 2004. Its objective is to build upon the Agency’s experience in radiation medicine and technology to enable developing countries to introduce, expand or improve their cancer care capacity and services in a sustainable manner by integrating radiotherapy into a comprehensive cancer control programme that maximizes its therapeutic effectiveness and impact. With other partners, local authorities and non-governmental organizations the IAEA is notably engaged in projects in Albania, Ghana, Nicaragua, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Vietnam, and Yemen to introduce or expand essential cancer cure and care services, including the screening of men, women and children for the early detection of prevalent cancers and the provision of appropriate and timely treatment and care.

This initiative met with the full approval of the WiNners who generously offered a total of 500 Euros for this cause. On May 25th, Gabi Voigt presented this donation to the director of the IAEA PACT programme who returned a warm letter of thanks to the WiN Global members. You are encouraged to visit the PACT website (http://cancer.iaea.org/pact/) where you will find out more about the PACT projects and have the satisfaction of seeing what your contribution will help to finance.

Dr HYUNSUH SUH, LAUREATE OF THE 2010 WIN AWARD

Dr Suh receiving her award from the hands of Cheryl Boggess

The objective of the WiN Global award is to recognise individuals who have demonstrated excellence in communication, education, leadership or mentoring in the nuclear field. This year it was again a difficult task to make a choice between the 5 outstanding candidates nominated for the award: Dr. Anna Maria Alvarez Holston from Sweden particularly for her successful leadership of the multinational Studsvik Cladding Integrity programme, Ms. Kumi Fujimoto from Japan who is highly recognised for her contribution to public relations and acceptance; Dr. E. Gail de Planque for her distinguished career in leadership and consultancy in the US and elsewhere; Dr Herma Büttner for her dedication both to research and to the communication of nuclear science; and the 2010 laureate, Dr. HyunSuk Suh.

Doctor Suh is a radiation oncologist specialised in the treatment of cancer. She was a pioneer in establishing a highly successful breast conserving treatment protocol in Korea through which three-dimensional radiation therapy was developed to prevent side effects such as skin discoloration and breast distortion.

In 1999, Dr. HyunSuk Suh was appointed as the clinical Director and Head of the Department of Radiation Oncology at Ewha and the first Director of the Breast Cancer Center at Mok Dong Hospital where she also served as Director of Clinical research and education. In 2007 she was appointed to her current status as the Vice president of the Ewha Women’s University and CEO of the Ewha Medical Center in Seoul, Korea.

Dr. Suh’s management and communication skills have been proven many times in the very emotionally charged profession of cancer research and treatment where she has continuously shown the high quality of her technical judgement and human interaction.
Under her leadership the successful merging of two hospitals and the creation of the Ewha cancer center for women were made possible. In addition, a contract with the Seoul Metropolitan government made her responsible for overseeing the management of 4 major medical centres' dedicated to mental health.

Dr. Suh is particularly supportive of nuclear sciences, and has written many articles as a key opinion leader in Korea, particularly at times when positive support of the nuclear industry was not popular. She has a special interest in gender differences in medicine, opening a centre at the Mok Dong Hospital to research the basic therapeutic approach to women's diseases, while educating doctors about radiation oncology. She reaches out to non-insured workers from developing countries and has devoted her career to providing medical care with love as a service to society.

“I am greatly honored to receive the 2010 WiN Award and promise to continue promoting women's role in nuclear and radiation field,” Dr. Suh said during the award presentation. Dr. Suh also expressed her gratitude to other nominees from the U.S.A, Japan, Australia, and Sweden and said she would like to share the honor. The news was widely covered by the Korean press.

Following feedback from the WiN members, the committee has decided to prepare Key messages destined to a general audience which members could adapt to the situation in their own countries.

During the WiN Global Board Meeting, Dominique organised an amusing game to familiarise the Board members with the questions that will serve as the basis to the key messages. Board members willingly federated around this important project. Later on during the congress, Board members participated in a special Messaging workshop in which the questions were reviewed, improved and validated. The task of editing the key messages has now begun with the aim to finalise the production by the last quarter in 2010.

MESSAGING PROJECT

During the 2010 WiN Global congress in Busan, Dominique Mouillot from WiN France, Chair of Messaging Committee, took the opportunity to present the progress of the work of her Messaging team.

Speaking to the General Assembly, she described the projected format of the Messaging library which would be placed at the disposition of WiN members to help them in their communication and also at a later stage, to the general public via the Win Global website.

Our congratulations, once again, to Dr. Suh and also to the other candidates for their wonderful achievements and example.

FEATURES

WOMEN IN NUCLEAR (WIN-IAEA) IN ABU DHABI

Background
From 14-18 March, 2010, the IAEA organized the International Conference on Human Resource Development for Introducing and Expanding Nuclear Power Programmes, hosted by the Government of the United Arab Emirates. More than 50 Member States have recently approached the IAEA expressing interest in launching a nuclear power programme. In all cases, the
development of human resources capable of supporting the implementation of these programmes has been identified as one of the main challenges. Additionally, many of the 30 Member States that already have nuclear power programmes are either expanding, or considering the expansion of their programmes. For many of them, this comes at the same time as there is a need to replace the generation of workers that commissioned the plants now in operation.

The objective of the conference was to provide participants with practical tools that they could use at organizational, national, and international levels, in order to develop and maintain the human resources needed to support the safe and sustainable introduction and expansion of nuclear power programmes.

WIN IAEA President, Ms Eva Gyane, together with WIN-IAEA member, Ms Anne Starz and WIN-US Member, Ms Carol Berrigan, from the Nuclear Energy Institute, organised an initial brainstorming session for ideas on the participation of WIN Global at the conference.

WIN IAEA, as the organizing leader for Win participation, created a “Task Force” in the early fall of 2009 to organize the WIN-Global booth, and to contribute ideas and suggestions for the participants of the panel session, “Improving the Representation of Women in the Nuclear Industry.” The Task Force consisted of IAEA staffers including:

- Ms Taghrid Atieh
- Ms Elena Buglova
- Ms Kaisa Clark
- Ms Albane Goddard
- Ms Eva Gyane
- Ms Brenda Pagannone
- Ms Rejane Spiegelberg Planer
- Ms Anne Starz

This hard working Task Force eventually created the new WIN IAEA Brochures, a WIN Global roll up poster, and liaised with other WIN Country Chapters to gather contributions and information to be distributed during the conference. Moreover, a presentation with 300 photos of WIN activities and events around the globe was compiled from photos sent to WIN IAEA by diverse WIN Chapters. The time and effort spent on the collaboration to create the WIN Global booth and Panel Session was significant and the end result was a visually pleasing, professional, well thought out, and well “womaned” booth.

The Conference
Ms Pagannone, Ms Spiegelberg Planer, and Ms Clark attended the conference to support their respective divisions, and also made active efforts throughout the duration of the conference to support and represent WIN - Global and WIN IAEA. This was a unique opportunity for the three women from the IAEA to not only meet other women in the nuclear field, but to also meet some of their global counterparts. WIN Global members from around the world attended the conference, as representatives of their Organizations, and also to represent WIN Global and their individual WIN chapters.

Throughout the week, the WIN Global booth was “womaned” by a dedicated WIN Global team, including WIN France (Ms Corrine Quibel, Onet Technologies), WIN Brazil (Ms Patricia Wieland, Comissao Nacional de Energia Nuclear), WIN Korea (Ms Se-Moon Park, Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power), WIN US (Ms Carol Berrigan, Nuclear Energy Institute) and WIN Switzerland (Ms Irene Aegerter).

Many of these women also participated on the panel, “Improving the Representation of Women in the Nuclear Industry,” along with Mr Ane Hakansson (Uppsala University, Sweden) and Mr Russ Clark (Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation, United Arab Emirates). The panel was moderated by Ms Monira Al Kuttab (Federal Authority for Nuclear Regulation, United Arab Emirates).

This panel discussion presented a variety of topics, such as the representation of women in the field, what efforts were being made to improve the representation of women, as well as activities that different WIN chapters have been engaging in, in efforts to recruit more qualified women, and inspire and encourage young girls to go into scientific fields of study.
During the question and answer session of the panel, a male participant asked Ms Al Kuttab if a WiN-Global chapter would be established in the UAE. She responded by stating that they are looking into it, and this participant enthusiastically responded to her by saying, “If you start a chapter here, I would like to be the first to sign up!”

The power point presentations from the Women’s panel can be found at: http://www.iaea.org/inisnkm/nkm/pages/2010/conference_UAE_March_2010.htm

Thank you to all those who contributed to the success of the WiN presence at this event through their contributions and their dedication and hard work before and during the conference.

THE WORLD OF WiN

WIN JAPAN Commemorates 10th Anniversary

In 2010, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of its establishment, WiN-Japan (WiN-J) organised two memorial events. One was the 10th anniversary meeting, the other was the technical tour in Aomori organized after the 2010 WiN Global meeting in Busan.

The 10th anniversary meeting was held on April 16 in Tokyo. Over 100 participants were invited including WiN-Japan members and supporting organizations.

During the meeting, we received a congratulatory address by Dr. Shunsuke Kondo (the chairman of Japan Atomic Energy Commission) on behalf of the supporting members of WiN-Japan. Chairman Kondo said that WiN-Japan shares the same objective as the Japan Atomic Energy Commission. It is to contribute to the development and welfare of humankind with nuclear power. He encouraged WiN-Japan to dedicate everything we could do to meet this purpose.

Ms. Hiroko Sumita, (a lawyer and a council member of Gender Equality), also gave a lecture.

Ms. Sumita emphasized that when women’s opinions are involved in the process of research, development, and usage of nuclear power, this must lead to peaceful uses of nuclear energy. On this occasion, WiN Japan received special thanks and congratulations from the WiN Global president and many congratulatory messages from the WiN Global members from other countries.

The other commemorative event was the post WiN Global meeting technical tour in Aomori. This event was held from May 16th to 19th following the WiN Global meeting in Korea. A total of 10 participants form IAEA, Korea, Taiwan, Romania and Switzerland visited the nuclear fuel cycle facilities of Japan Nuclear Fuel Limited in Rokkasho village and Higashidori NPP of Tohoku Electric Power. 6 WiN-Japan members attended the delegation. In addition to these sites the delegation visited beautiful examples of Japanese scenery such as Mt. Osore, Hotokegaura, and enjoyed a cultural tour to the Sannai-Maruyama archeological site. In addition WiN-Japan members set up a get-together meeting with the ladies group of Aomori city on the theme of energy, environment and nuclear issues.

 Attendees also had a taste of Japanese culture – bathing in a hot spring (Onsen), and sleeping on Tatami mats in a traditional Japanese inn (Ryokan) wearing traditional Japanese robes (Yukata) as pajamas. It was indeed an excellent experience for WiN-Japan to be able to welcome WiNNers from various countries and receive such excellent output from this 4-day trip full of informative and productive communication.

WiN-Japan members and supportive participants at the reception on April 16, 2010
WIN KOREA
The first ‘Nuclear Power for a Century Forum’

Women in Nuclear Korea (Wink) organized a ‘Nuclear Power for a Century Forum’ aimed at defining nuclear power plans for the upcoming century. The forum was attended by experts in energy, journalism, culture, industry and other related areas.

This first forum was held on the 10th of June. Its objective was to make a contribution to shaping nuclear energy as a green energy resource through critical discussions and to build constructive support based on comprehensive understandings. Young Jin Jang, the executive director of Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO) delivered a presentation about “low carbon growth and key industries”, and shared valuable opinions about the role of nuclear power in confronting climate change.

The Nuclear Power for a Century Forum will be held regularly, and is expected to play a major role as a fundamental discussion arena for nuclear policy and to further business opportunity advancement.

WIN FRANCE
International conference on Access to Nuclear Energy

On the 8th and 9th of March 2010, the first international conference on Access to Nuclear Energy was organised in Paris on the initiative of the French President, Nicolas Sarkozy, in collaboration with the OECD (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development) and the IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency). Dominique Mouillot had the honour of being personally invited to participate in this conference attended by important government and industrial representatives of 50 nations.

This conference illustrated France’s commitment to enhancing the perception of peaceful nuclear technologies and in helping other countries wishing to develop and benefit from this energy source. President Sarkozy explained how France, who made the choice for nuclear electricity in the 1970’s and has become one of the world’s leaders in the field, considers that nuclear technologies should not be reserved for a few privileged countries. France considers it its duty to share its experience and expertise with the international community and is willing to cooperate with all other countries wishing to benefit from this energy source.

As Nicolas Sarkozy said, « Civil nuclear energy can be the cement of a new international solidarity, where each country will need the others to advance ».

WIN CANADA
WiN-Canada hosts information meeting at Canadian Nuclear Society conference

The room was full of energized discussion at WiN-Canada’s information meeting held on Monday, May 24 in the conjunction with the Canadian Nuclear Society’s annual conference. Thirty-one participants came out to find out more about WiN-Canada and its activities and talk about the possibility of starting a local chapter in Quebec. After a brief welcome and overview in both French and English by WiN-Canada President, Susan Brissette, Elisabeth Varin from AECL provided the group with her vision for a Quebec chapter.

The participants then engaged in a lively discussion about how WiN can best benefit the industry. Ideas such as a mentoring programme for new members, holding a one-day science fair, organizing visits to different sites and providing a strong message to young people about the importance of science and maths were all presented from the group discussion. All ideas
were collected and this information will be used by the WiN-Canada board when it re-evaluates its Strategic Plan.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

WIN-Canada member, Jad Popovic, wins industry award

Congratulations to WiN-Canada member, Jad Popovic, on being awarded the Fellow of Canadian Nuclear Society (CNS) award at the CNS Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, May 26, 2010. The Fellow of CNS award was given to Jad in recognition of her long-standing service as a CNS member, being a council member for over ten years and acting as the liaison between WiN-Canada and the CNS council. As liaison Jad presents WiN-Canada’s monthly updates to council and reports back to WiN-Canada on CNS happenings and opportunities.

Jad has helped organize CNS conferences, mentored CNS and WiN members in nuclear education and professional development, participated in science fairs and science camps for children, and visited schools to promote subjects related to nuclear science.

Jad has Master and Bachelor degrees in Electrical Engineering and over 33 years of work experience with AECL.

Jad was nominated for this award by the WiN-Canada Board and the Board and all WiN members join in congratulating her on this accomplishment.

Michelle Szucs Awarded Westinghouse Women in Nuclear Scholarship

Pittsburgh, June 23, 2010 – Upper St. Clair High School student Michelle Szucs was awarded this year’s Westinghouse Women in Nuclear (WIN) Scholarship. She was awarded $2,500 toward her college education.

The award was presented to Ms. Szucs by Aris Candris, Westinghouse president and CEO, at an honorary breakfast on May 20, 2010 at Westinghouse Cranberry Woods Headquarters.

Ms. Szucs plans on using the award money toward her undergraduate degree in chemistry at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Aris Candris, Westinghouse’s president and CEO, presenting the plaque to the Women in Nuclear scholarship winner, Michelle Szucs, in presence of Michele DeWitt, Westinghouse’s vice president of U.S. Fuel and WIN executive sponsor

Ms. Szucs is ranked first out of 369 students at Upper St. Clair High School, with a QPA of 4.88. She belongs to the National Honor Society where she has volunteered as a chemistry and algebra tutor. She is also a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, the school’s team captain in the KDKA/Westfield Insurance Hometown High Q television show, and captain of the fourth-place team in the Pittsburgh Chemistry Olympics-Category II.

A principal flautist, Ms. Szucs has performed at numerous Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Festivals, is student manager of Upper St. Clair High School’s pit orchestra, and a member of the Three Rivers Young Peoples Orchestra and Upper Saint Clair Performing Artist Group. She has also performed as part of Yinz Winds, a woodwind trio that she co-founded to perform for community service and private functions.

The Westinghouse-WIN Pittsburgh chapter scholarship was established in 2007 and is awarded to a female high school senior from the Pittsburgh area intending to pursue a bachelor’s degree in engineering, mathematics or physical sciences at an accredited college or university. In 2010 the scholarship award amount increased from $1,000 to $2,500 due to the growing popularity of the program. Ms. Szucs was chosen from this year’s 52 applicants.
PERFORMANCE METRICS

WiN has established participation measurements for the WiN Leadership of 90% for the Executives and 75% for the Board. Participation includes meetings, conference calls, votes, and requests for information. The items selected must align with WiN strategic goals with participation based on the following criteria:

- Direct participation
- Participation of a previously identified alternate
- Providing inputs on agenda items prior to the meeting

**Congratulations** to all WiNners for working so hard to meet our goals. Our success is illustrated in the following graph.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like more information please contact the WiN President, Cheryl Boggess.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**USWIN 2010 Conference “Powering the Network.”**

July 18-21, Seattle Washington USA. For information and registration see: www.USWIN.org

**WiN Canada’s 7th Annual Conference**

Thursday, September 30 to October 1st, 2010 in Ajax, Ontario Canada. For information and registration see: www.wincanada.org

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**WiN Participation Metrics May 2010**

- **Participation**
  - Executives
  - Board
  - Chapters
  - Individuals

- **Event**
  - 2010 Elections
  - Board Meeting 2/2010
  - WiN Award
  - Board Meeting 5/2010

If you have any questions, comments, or would like more information please contact the WiN President, Cheryl Boggess.
I recently was going through some old notes and found some interesting items regarding benefits of participating as a WiN member on global, national and local levels.

- Provides members with new opportunities to further their professional and career growth
- Enhance member participation by widening and extending the relationships between organizations to provide WiN members with new opportunities to further professional and career growth
- Multiple forums for development
- International interface opportunities
- Multiple discipline and corporate level interaction
  - Promote an environment for leadership development
  - Professional development through networking and mentoring
  - Promote public awareness about nuclear energy and the industry
  - Promote career interest in engineering and nuclear technology
- Goals focus on informing:
  - Supporting global, national and local WIN
  - Providing communication channels
  - Offering support to individual members
  - Working with education centers, community organizations and employees

As I looked over these it was interesting to me that the final item focused on informing and outreach. A very interesting perspective. Look outward, not inward. The focus of WiN is not on personal achievements but on looking beyond our organizations, opening doors and working to create a better world for future generations.

I would like to leave you with this quote from Indira Gandhi,

“You cannot shake hands with a clenched fist.”

Hopefully all of your hands are open and welcoming to new members and ideas.

Enjoy your day
Cheryl