

Press Release

Women Leaders in Global Health Conference:

The **Women Leaders in Global Health (WLGH) Conference** was launched in 2017 and has since served as a powerful convening mechanism for leaders in global health. The conference aims to engage the global health community by **creating transformative experiences to advance opportunities for emerging female leaders**, help bridge the gap in gender imbalances in global health leadership positions and improve access to female healthcare.

The conference was inaugurated at Stanford University School of Medicine in the US before moving to the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK for its second year. **This year the University of Global Health Equity, Rwanda, will host WLGH19**, the first time the event will be hosted on the African continent.

WLGH19 are pleased to host over **100+ influential speakers** from diverse sectors in global health who are set to participate in panel discussions, plenary sessions, interactive leadership and skill-building workshops and networking and mentoring opportunities.

25 panel sessions will inspire dialogue around the leadership and development challenges facing females working in global health. Topics will include;

- *Leadership Labyrinth: An honest discussion about career growth of women across global health sectors*
- *Fairness in research on minorities and women's health*
- *Women affected by conflict and crisis*
- *The role of art and artists in global health and women's leadership*
- *Environmental changes and risks to women's health.*

Mentorship and Career Development

Part of the WLGH initiative is the development of a **mentorship program** that has and continues to bring together mentors and mentees to exchange leadership experiences, best practices and career track advice to early and emerging professionals across the health sector. An early-career mentorship breakfast at the conference will bring together emerging and established leaders and strengthen the growing networking of remarkable women engaged in global health around the world.

Scholarship opportunities for Developing Countries

WLGH have been pleased to offer early-career and emerging health professionals from Africa, South Asia and Latin America the chance to submit an abstract for the chance to verbally present their research in two of the conference plenary sessions. Applications that were considered to be outstanding were granted full scholarships to the event including transport, accommodation and registration.

For the full agenda, list of speakers and registration details, visit www.wlghconferences.org.

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