

Women in Space Leadership Programme

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About Women in Space Leadership Programme:

- This initiative aims to develop a **women's leadership framework** to support institutions in strengthening their **gender-inclusive practices** and policies, specifically around space sciences and allied areas.
- It fosters **women's leadership in space** sciences by developing a strategic leadership framework. Under this initiative Coventry University acts as the delivery partner.
- To promote a more equitable distribution of leadership opportunities and enable a workplace culture that recognises female leaders, this programme is underpinned by **three foundational pillars**:
 - Intersectionality or understanding of different aspects of women's identities
 - **Collaborative culturally sensitive approaches** that respond to opportunities and challenges in India
 - Using leadership theory from both **social science and STEM to support female** scientists to become more confident about their leadership abilities

What is UK-India Education and Research Initiative (UKIERI)?

- It is the UK and India's flagship **bilateral collaboration programme** on education and research founded in 2006.
- **Objective:** By strengthening education and research collaboration between the UK and India, UKIERI helps both countries to achieve their knowledge ambitions.

- UKIERI has been implemented in **three phases from 2006 to 2022**. The fourth phase of UKIERI was launched in 2023.
 - UKIERI Phase 4 expects to strengthen the bilateral relationship between the UK and India in the areas of education, research, and innovation, while addressing shared global challenges and promoting sustainable development.
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Q1: What is the I-STEM Initiative?

I-STEM (Indian Science, Technology, and Engineering facilities Map) is an initiative of the Office of Principal Scientific Advisor, Government of India. It is developed with the concept “One Nation One Portal” for the scientific community, aimed at “Linking Researchers and Resources”.

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