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Proposal Submission and Acceptance

- Monitor gender ratios for organisers and participants at the proposal submission stage and require an explanation for any proposal with no female organiser or a low gender ratio for potential participants.
- Require programme proposers to identify steps that they intend to take to **improve diversity** within their field.
- SSC to put greater emphasis on gender balance when considering proposals and, if appropriate, make the acceptance of a proposal conditional upon meeting gender balance targets for potential participants.

Participation and Organisation Rates

- Monitor female participation rates at all levels and offer guidance to organisers towards target minimum participation rate of 25% by 2020.
- Strongly encourage programme proposers to **include at least one woman as a programme organiser** or scientific advisor.
- Require that all programmes have an identified **Diversity Lead** (typically one of the programme organisers).
- Put in place measures to redress the gender imbalance for Rothschild Distinguished Visiting Fellows.

Practical, Financial and Family Support

www.newton.ac.uk/participate/provision-of-care

- Publish and promote a clear and transparent Provision of Care policy to assist in the removal of barriers to participation, for example by offering:
 - o accommodation suitable for participants' needs;
 - o information about local childcare and schooling;
 - o financial assistance for those with caring needs or responsibilities.
- Seek funding that can be used to help remove barriers to participation including for participants from DAC List countries.
- Support those who wish to participate in INI events but are not comfortable in approaching organisers directly.









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Environment and Communication

- Create a **pleasant gender-neutral working environment** where women feel **welcome** and **valued**.
- Ensure that all **INI publications** and communications including the website **reflect its desire** to **support** and **nurture** women mathematicians.

Events and Activities

- Seek opportunities and funds to host events and activities for women mathematical scientists.
- Encourage programme organisers of long programmes to include a "Women in ..." event, normally as part of one of their workshops.

Governance

• Work to ensure that at least **30**% of appointed members of INI's **Scientific Steering Committee** (SSC) and **25**% of its **Management Committee** (MC) are **women scientists** of the first rank.

Emerging Technologies

• Make **imaginative** use of **web** and **audio-visual** technologies to facilitate **virtual** participation.

Reporting

•Include in the **Annual Report gender statistics** for all programmes.

Accreditation

• Explore once again the possibility/practicalities of applying to obtain an Athena Swan Award.







