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# International Conference on **WOMEN AND LEADERSHIP IN A CHANGING WORLD**

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Exploring the challenges and opportunities  
faced by female leaders

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Queen's University Belfast is proud to bring to Northern Ireland a **major international conference** that explores the role of women in leadership positions in a changing world. Organised jointly with the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, the conference brings together an **excellent line-up of speakers** from across the UK, Ireland and USA, speakers who have broken through the glass ceiling in politics, law, business and higher education as well as **inspirational young women** breaking the mould. This opportunity to learn from and take part in discussions on a range of topical issues concerning leadership and gender is **not to be missed!**

## PROGRAMME:

**Thursday 22 September, 5.30-10.00pm:**

**Conference Venue, The Ulster Museum**

### Facilitator: Julia Paul

Welcome reception, panel discussion, conference dinner with entertainment.

### Keynote Address:

Claire Sugden MLA (Minister for Justice, NI)

**Theme: Developing Leadership in Global and Multicultural Organisation.** Patricia Coffey (Senior Vice-President Technology, Allstate USA), David Ruebain (Chief Executive, Equality Challenge Unit UK), John Healy (Managing Director, Allstate NI), Anne Phillipson (Programme Director, William J Clinton Leadership Institute, QUB)

**Friday 23 September, 8.45am-5.00pm:**

**Conference Venue, Riddel Hall, Queen's**

**University Belfast.** Enjoy a full day of inspiring presentations and stimulating discussion in the historic surroundings of Riddel Hall which offers comfortable conference facilities and free car parking.

### Session 1: Women into Leadership –

**Overcoming the Barriers** David Gavaghan (Chair, CBI NI), Janet McCollum (Chief Executive, Moy Park), Denise Cranston (Workplace Manager, BITC NI), Mrs Justice Siobhan Keegan (High Court Judge NI), Caitríona Ruane MLA (Deputy Principal Speaker, NI Assembly)

### Session 2: Leadership, Diversity and

**Innovation** Julie Chen (Vice-Chancellor for Research and Innovation, UMass Lowell), Claire Burn (City Lead, Women Who Code Group, MSc student, QUB), Catherine O'Neill (Managing Director, Amelio Group), Mark Campbell (Senior Manager, Randox Laboratories), Joe Hartman (Dean of Engineering, UMass Lowell)

### Session 3: Women Leading Change – How

**Diversity Delivers Performance** Yvonne Galligan (Director, Centre for the Advancement of Women in Politics, QUB), Sue McAllister (Director General, NI Prison Service), Elaine Birchall (Chief Executive, SHS Group), Michelle Cullen (Managing Director, Inclusion & Diversity, Accenture Ireland), Jill Minne (Director of Organisational Development, Belfast City Council)

### Session 4: Women, Peace and Security – Leadership During Challenging Times

Victoria Denoon (Co-Director, Center for Irish Partnerships, UMass Lowell), Paula Rayman (Director, Middle East Center for Peace, Development and Culture, UMass Lowell), Linda Bishai (Director, North Africa Programs US Institute of Peace), Bronagh Hinds (Senior Associate, DemocraShe), Judith Gillespie (former Deputy Chief Constable, PSNI)

### Keynote Address:

Frances Fitzgerald TD (Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality, RoI)

### 5.00-6.00pm Closing Reception

### Registration Fees

Thursday, including dinner	£50
Friday, including lunch	£110
Full attendance (both days)	£150

For further information and to register, please visit the conference web site at:

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