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Women in HPC Birds-of-a-Feather (BoF)

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The last session on Women in High Performance Computing in South Africa was proposed and held during 2019 annual conference. The major aim of the initiative was to establish a network of Women in HPC in SA, by bringing them together during the meeting. The session was supported and well attended by both men and women, and most importantly was supported by CHPC management team. International speakers gave talks and fruitful discussions were achieved.

Subsequently, we found it fit to have another session during CHPC 2022 annual meeting in order to maintain and sustain this initiative most importantly because too much time was lost due to Covid 19.

It is aimed that at the end of the session and beyond, the following goals would be achieved:

- Improvement of workplace diversity.
- Improve women's underrepresentation in HPC (Contribute in increasing the number of women and girls participation in HPC through training and networking.)
- Share information and resources that foster growth for women in HPC.
- Conduct desktop studies to understand the statistics and challenges
- Influence policy on resources allocation

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