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## Women in High Performance Computing in South Africa

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The first session on Women in High Performance Computing in South Africa was proposed and held during 2016 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 attended by both men and women, and most importantly was supported by CHPC management team. An interim steering committee comprising of women from various institutions and disciplines was established and will take the initiative going forward. Consequently, we propose to have a session during 2017 annual conference. It is envisaged that at the end of the session and beyond, the following goals would be achieved:

• Create a long-term platform for interaction and mentoring among the women.

• Encourage more female learners and students to consider careers 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.

## **HPC content**

Birds of a Feather session on Women in High Performance Computing in South Africa

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