

### Space for Work, USA | Expert Meeting

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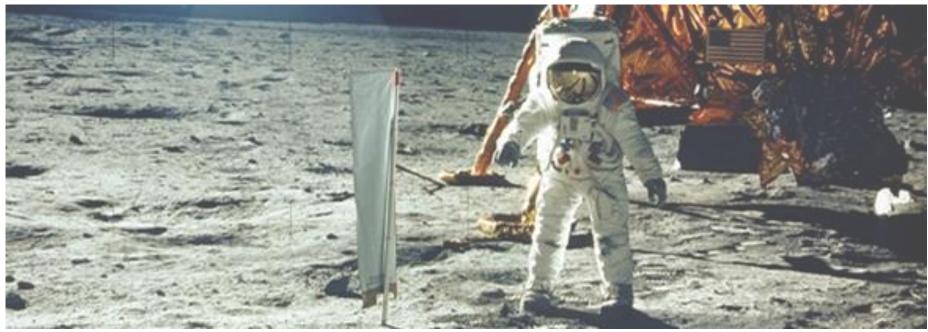








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## When do girls like science?



is the age girls gain interest in STEM, a 2017 survey found





# When do they lose interest?



is the age girls lose interest in STEM, the same survey found

















The main reasons girls lose interest in STEM



No hands-on experience



Lack of female role models



Gender disparity is discouraging

My curiosity and desire to discover kept me in the **STEM** fields.



## Not many others can say the same.

What kept YOU going?



#### CAPACITY BUILDING



#### **MENTORSHIP**



#### AWARENESS RAISING



# Still, I faced discrimination











#### **United Nations Office of Outer Space Affairs**

#### Vision

Bringing the benefits of space to humankind

#### **Mission Statement**

The core business of the Office is to promote **international cooperation** in the use of outer space to achieve development goals



Peggy Whitson - the First female ISS Commander NASA, 2007





#### **Unique Roles of UNOOSA**



**CAPACITY-BUILDER:** UNOOSA brings the benefits of space to humankind by building space capacity of non-space-faring countries



**GLOBAL FACILITATOR:** UNOOSA plays a leading and facilitating role in the promotion of peaceful uses of outer space



**GATEWAY TO SPACE:** UNOOSA is the main UN agency on space matters and facilitates the coordination of UN activities using space technology to improve lives around the world





#### Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



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#### **SDGs and Space for Women**



"Providing women and girls with equal access to education, health care, decent work, and representation...will fuel sustainable economies and benefit societies and humanity at large."

# Space for Women

#### **Space for Women**

**Encompasses these three elements to develop the Space for Women project** 







#### CAPACITY BUILDING

#### MENTORSHIP

#### AWARENESS RAISING





#### **Space for Women Core Goals**



Let's make space work for the development of women



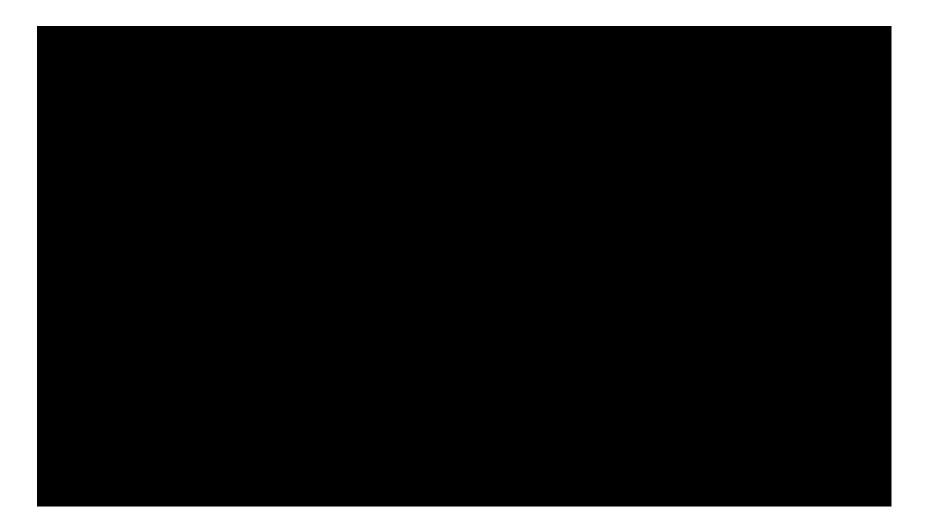
Let's make space in the aerospace industry and STEM fields for women



Let's make the Space for Women project together



#### **Two Historic Female Space Commanders**





#### THANK YOU



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