

Welcome to
International
Women's Day



**Inspiration towards the Journey of
“Becoming the Best”**

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Foreword

Foreword by GEN Chair

Prof Sandy Hwei San Loh

Professor in Pharmaceutical Biotechnology
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With open hearts and hands, we would like to welcome all distinguished speakers, panelists, and participants to the event, **Inspiration towards the Journey of “Becoming the Best”** in conjunction with the celebration of International Women’s Day. This is the first event of the year organized by Gender Equality in Nottingham (GEN), which was previously known as Women in Nottingham (WiN). GEN at UNMC is engaging all faculties and members of staff and students (both males and females) from all disciplines to work together towards gender equality and work-life balance.

Today’s event has been designed to inspire and encourage you who have been involved in various professional areas of higher education. You will be inspired by mentors and leaders who have traveled amazing journeys with great determination and grace. You will learn valuable and attainable skills on leadership, empowerment, work-life integration, self-assessment, and so on. And, you will have some opportunities throughout the day to expand your professional network.

Be inspired and Happy International Women’s Day!

Foreword

Foreword by Programme Convener

Dr Geetha Baskaran

Assistant Professor
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I am delighted that we are here marking International Women’s Day with the event, **Inspiration towards the Journey of “Becoming the Best”** and right the way across UNMC this is a day when we take the opportunity to welcome all of you and celebrate just how far we have come on the road to gender equality.

In 1910, working women in New York and Europe stood up and demanded change to their working conditions. In the same year, at an international women’s conference in Europe, International Women’s Day was born as an annual event dedicated to celebrate women and inspire change.

I agree with Roxane Divol the General Manager for Symantec Trust Services, “We have a long way to go, but I believe the journey starts with inspiration, backed by the resources needed to thrive. *To me, success is a world where women and men of all*

ages design, create, drive, and own equally. Let’s continue to inspire, invest, create, and work together to make this future a reality.”

I am honored to address all of you who are leaders in your own right. My association with GEN allows me to further the gender equality agenda in the context of this university. This is an opportunity for me to mould every female in UNMC into successful individuals. However, this event is designed for both genders.

My personal thanks go to all the speakers, panel discussion members and everyone who is present here to make this event a reality and success, especially those who changed their schedules to participate. In addition, my biggest thanks also goes to my fellow organizing committee members for their commitment, support and thoughtful contributions.

Programme

Time	Activities
9.00am-9.30am	Registration
9.30am-9.45am	Arrival of Guests
9.45am-10.00am	Welcome Speech by Prof Sandy Hwei San Loh (GEN Chair)
10.00am-10.30am	Special Inaugural Address for International Women’s Day and Talk on “Mentoring Models: Opportunities and Challenges” by Prof Graham Kendall (UNMC Provost and CEO)
10.30am-11.00am	Plenary Talk on “Some Personal Thoughts on Leadership for Influence” by Prof Dame Jessica Corner (UoN Pro-Vice Chancellor for Research and Knowledge Exchange)
11.00am-11.30am	Keynote Talk on “Gender Equality in University: Current Issues, Best Practice and New Idea” by Pro Claire O’Malley (UNMC Vice-Provost, Research and Knowledge Exchange)
11.30-12.00pm	Keynote Talk on “Women in Management” by Prof Fon Sim Ong (UNMC Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning)
12.00pm-12.30pm	Mentor-Mentee Award Presentation Session
12.30pm-1.30pm	Networking Lunch
1.30pm-2.30pm	Public Talk by Prof Dame Jessica Corner on University of Nottingham’s Research Strategy
2.30pm-3.30pm	“In-House Forum: Journey to Professorship” Moderated by Prof Graham Kendall Panel Speakers: Prof Andrew Morris, Prof Kang Nee Ting, Prof Andy Chan, Prof Suyin Gan, Prof Chew Ging Lee, Prof Kok Wei Khong
3.30pm-4.00pm	Review and Q&A Session
4.00pm-4.20pm	GEN Programmes and the Athena SWAN Charter at UNMC by Dr. Geetha Baskaran (GEN Vice Chair)
4.20pm-4.45pm	Tea and Networking



Inauguration Speaker Profile

1. Prof Graham Kendall, Provost and CEO, UNMC



Professor Graham Kendall is the Provost and CEO of The University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus (UNMC). He is also a Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University of Nottingham. He has been in Malaysia since August 2011 and was previously the Vice-Provost for Research and Knowledge Exchange. He is a Director of MyResearch Sdn Bhd, Crops for the Future Sdn Bhd. and Nottingham Green Technologies Sdn Bhd.

He was awarded a BSc (Hons) First Class in Computation from the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology (UMIST), UK in 1997 and received his PhD from The University of Nottingham (School of Computer Science) in 2000. Professor Kendall is a Fellow of the British Computer Society (FBCS) and a Fellow of the Operational Research Society (ORS).

He has published over 90 refereed journal papers (the vast majority in ISI ranked journals) and over 230 peer reviewed papers in total. He has edited 11 books and authored almost 20 book chapters.

He is currently an Associate Editor of ten journals and the Editor-in-Chief of the IEEE Transactions of Computational Intelligence and AI in Games. As a Professor of Computer Science at the University of Nottingham he is a member of the Automated Scheduling, Planning and Optimisation Group (ASAP) in the School of Computer Science.

His research interests include Operations Research, Scheduling, Logistics, Vehicle Routing, Meta- and Hyper-heuristics, Evolutionary Computation and Games.

Plenary Speaker Profile

2. Prof Dame Jessica Corner, DBE, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and Knowledge Exchange), The University of Nottingham

Prof Dame Jessica Corner is Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research and Knowledge Exchange at the University of Nottingham. She was previously executive Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Southampton and Director of NIHR CLARHC Wessex. She has held academic positions at King's College, London, and was Director of the Centre of Cancer and Palliative Care Studies at the Institute of Cancer Research, London for 12 years and was the first nurse to be appointed to a Chair at the Institute. She conducted the first clinical trials of non-pharmacological management of the symptom of breathlessness in lung cancer and nurse-led care in lung cancer, as well as important studies of the pathway to diagnosis in lung cancer. Findings from these studies have been used in NICE guidelines.

In 2005 she was appointed Director for Improving Cancer Services for Macmillan Cancer Relief and was Chief Clinician for the Charity until early 2016 and held a key role as chair of the NHS England



Cancer Patient Advisory Group responsible for the Cancer Patient Experience Survey of NHS Trusts in England.

Jessica was a member of the REF panel 3, for allied health professionals, dentistry, nursing and midwifery and pharmacy. Jessica holds key national roles: Chair of the [Council of Deans of Health](#) and Chair of [HEFCE](#) UK Health Education Advisory Committee (UKHEAC). She was awarded a DBE in 2014 for services to Health Care Research and Education and elected a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences in 2015.

Keynote Speaker Profiles

3. Prof Claire O'Malley, Vice-Provost (Research and Knowledge Exchange), UNMC



Professor Claire O'Malley is Vice-Provost for Research and Knowledge Exchange at the University of Nottingham's Malaysia Campus. Claire has a BA in Psychology & Philosophy, and a PhD in Education from the University of Leeds. Her academic positions have included research posts at the University of California San Diego, the University of Sussex and the Open University. She took up a post as lecturer in the School of Psychology, University of Nottingham, UK in 1989, and was appointed Professor of Learning Science at Nottingham in 2004. Since then she has served as Dean of the Graduate School, University of Nottingham (2007-11), during which

time she also oversaw the establishment of Graduate Schools at the University's overseas campuses in Malaysia and China. She took up an appointment as Dean of the Faculty of Science at the Malaysia Campus in 2014, and most recently as Vice-Provost in August 2016.

Claire's research interests are in human-computer interaction and technology-enhanced learning. She has published over 150 peer-reviewed articles in international journals and international conference proceedings in psychology, education and computer science. Claire was a founder member of the International Society of the Learning Sciences

(2000), a member of its Board of Directors, and was elected President of the Society in 2005. She is a Chartered Psychologist and Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society. She has been awarded over £20m in grants from the UK Research Councils (ESRC and EPSRC), including a 10-year ESRC-funded research centre (Centre for Research in Development, Instruction & Training, 1992-2002, for which she was Deputy Director) and a 5-year EPSRC funded research institute (Horizon Digital Economy Research Institute, 2009-2015), both as co-investigator. She has also obtained over €16m in funding from EU Research & Development Framework Programmes. She was previously Vice Chair for the UK Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) Research Grants Board and until recently a member of the ESRC Research Committee. Claire's

research has focused on the design and evaluation of digital technology to support learning in children in maths, literacy and science, both in formal and informal learning contexts. She also worked on children's developing theories of mind and relationship to communication and collaboration skills. She has also carried out extensive studies of video-mediated communication and impacts on collaborative task performance, which included basic research on face perception. Her most recent research has included studies of young people's use of social media, applications of learning theory to understanding addictive behavior in mobile games and implications for problem gambling, and the use of mobile and augmented reality technologies to support informal learning in museums and visitor centres.

4. Prof Fon Sim Ong, Vice-Provost (Teaching and Learning), UNMC



Prof Fon Sim Ong is Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning and Professor of Marketing at the University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus. Prior to joining UNMC in 2013, she has held various positions at both the public and private universities. Her research interests include aging and older Consumers; materialism, religiosity and subjective well-being; and

consumption behaviour related topics. She is an Affiliate Fellow of Asia Pacific Institute of Aging Studies, Lingnan University, Hong Kong. She has published in academic journals in the areas of consumer behaviour, marketing and in aging studies. She has received various research grants from the Malaysian government and regional funding agencies.

Panel Speakers

1. Prof Andrew Morris, Dean of Faculty of Science, UNMC



Andrew graduated from the Welsh School of Pharmacy (Cardiff, UK) in 1998 with a Bachelor of Pharmacy degree. After registering as a pharmacist, he subsequently returned to Cardiff to carry out his doctoral studies in the area of transdermal drug delivery. In 2003 Andrew joined NHS Wales where he worked as a Community Pharmacy and Prescribing Adviser and it was during this period in the primary care sector he was nominated as a member of the Welsh Assembly Government Repeat Dispensing Working Group, which supported the development of a new NHS community pharmacy contract. He also held a freelance role working with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain and Swansea Clinical School developing a new clinical governance toolkit for use in primary care. From 1999 to 2006 Andrew also worked as a community pharmacy

locum in a variety of different pharmacy settings including most UK high street chains.

After joining the University of Nottingham in 2005, Andrew relocated to Malaysia where he helped establish the first ever RPSGB-accredited Pharmacy programme delivered, in part, outside of the UK. In 2010 he became head of the School in Malaysia and subsequently led the successful reaccreditation of the 2+2 MPharm by the UK General Pharmaceutical Council. In 2013 Andrew received a Dearing Award for curriculum design and development of the innovative new MPharm programme and in 2016 he became Dean of the Faculty of Science at the Malaysia Campus. He has published widely in a variety of international journals and he currently supervises five PhD students. His research is funded through multiple awards from MOSTI, MAKNA and the EU FP7 programme. Andrew was a founding member of the new Royal Pharmaceutical Society; he is registered with the General Pharmaceutical Council and is also a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy. In his spare time he enjoys running and is a coach with KL Tigers Rugby Football Club.

2. Prof Chew Ging Lee, Dean of Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, UNMC



Prof Chew Ging Lee joined the University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus in 2000 as the pioneering batch of staff when the university began operations in its maiden branch campus outside the UK in Malaysia. In March 2011, he was promoted to

become Professor of Quantitative Methods. He is currently the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Prior to his appointment as the Dean of the Faculty, he was the Dean of Nottingham University Business School (NUBS) Malaysia.

3. Prof Andy Chan, Dean of Faculty of Engineering, UNMC



Professor Andy Chan is currently the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus (UNMC). He obtained his PhD from the University of Hong Kong in 1997. Prior to joining UNMC, he was a scientist in the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) in the United States of America (USA).

His main research specialisation is on air pollution in which he leads the NASA 7-SEAS project: a project that studies the air pollution and haze in Southeast Asia. This is a massive multi-national project involving more than seven countries.

4. Prof Kang Nee Ting, Faculty of Science, UNMC



Prof Ting is a three-time University of Nottingham graduate. Her first degree was Pharmacy and followed by PhD in Physiology and Pharmacology. Her latest qualification from Nottingham was the Postgraduate Certificate of Higher Education obtained in 2010. Following the completion of her PhD, Kang Nee moved to London to undertake her Pharmacy pre-registration training at Glaxo Wellcome and Northwick Park Hospital. She relocated to Singapore after she qualified as a pharmacist in the UK. Whilst in Singapore, Kang Nee worked at the National University Hospital as a pharmacist and promptly registered with the Singapore Pharmacy Council. She was one of the pioneer officers recruited to join the Biomedical Research Council, Agency for Science, Technology and Research, when

Singapore was starting to develop biomedical sciences as one of their main economic pillars in 2001. She moved into drug regulatory and pharmacovigilance when she joined the Health Sciences Authority of Singapore between 2003 and 2005. Kang Nee returned to Malaysia and joined the University of Nottingham in 2005. She was a member of the pioneer team in the School of Pharmacy to set up the MPharm programme which was the first Pharmacy degree in Malaysia to be fully accredited by the General Pharmaceutical Council (UK). She left the School of Pharmacy after five years to start up a new Department of Biomedical Sciences. Kang Nee was promoted to Associate Professor in 2010 and to full Professor 6 years later. Between 2010 and 2016, despite having the task to head a new department, she has two children, authored more than 30 peer reviewed journal papers and won several personal and team awards including Vice Chancellor Medal, Special Excellence Award (Nottingham Alumni Award) and President Award from the Pharmaceutical Association of Malaysia for her various funding raising activities and community projects. In addition, two projects which she spearheaded were in the finalists for the University's Knowledge Exchange Award in 2014 and 2016.

5. Prof Suyin Gan, Faculty of Engineering, UNMC



Prof Gan is currently a Professor of Chemical Engineering at the Department of Chemical and Environmental Engineering, University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus. She works in a wide range of interdisciplinary experimental and computational activities within the central theme of energy and fuels. This includes biofuel processing technologies, combustion cum emissions characterisation, cleaner combustion systems applications as well as in-situ emission mitigation

strategies and environmental pollutant abatement. She has over 140 publications to date in internationally refereed journals, conference proceedings and book chapters. She has led a number of projects which are funded by government organisations, industry and university, and has established collaborations with various local and international partners. She also serves on the editorial board of two international journals.

6. Prof Kok Wei Khong, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, UNMC



Prof Khong is currently the Director of MBA Programme in Nottingham University Business School (NUBS) Malaysia. He is also a Professor of Marketing Analytics in NUBS. He has published more than 40 refereed journals, presented in over 40 conferences, produced 4 book chapters and held many grants which relate to business analytics.

He has more than 15 years working in academia and conducting research in areas like services marketing, social media studies, behavioral science, process reengineering and business analytics. He was one of the key members in the Financial Services Trust Index project in Malaysia; a collaborative initiative between The University of Nottingham (UK) and the Institute of Bankers (IBBM) in 2007.

He has worked closely with other organizations in the area of marketing analytics like providing training for Hyatt Hotel, British Malaysia Chamber of Commerce, King's Confectionery, National University of Singapore extension programs, Department of Statistics Malaysia, Putra Business School GSM, University Tun Hussein Onn, Universiti Pengajian Sultan Idris, University Malaysia Sabah, Indian Institute of Planning and Management, Delhi Business School, Economics and Finance Institute (Phnom Penh), SAS Malaysia, etc. He has also provided consultancy work for Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC), GfK Retail and Technology, AMWAY, CBSA Online and Taylor's University. Khong is the vice-president of the SAS User Group Malaysia (SUGMa) which is working closely with banks in Malaysia to connect users with analytics experts in the country.

