

Abu Dhabi University Hosts the 6th Edition of the 'Women in Engineering Forum' 2024

In line with its ongoing efforts to empower women in engineering, Abu Dhabi University (ADU) successfully concluded the sixth annual 'Women in Engineering Forum' 2024. This event, held for the sixth consecutive year, was organized by ADU's College of Engineering in collaboration with the International Federation of Structural Concrete UAE (fib-UAE), and in strategic partnership with Abu Dhabi City Municipality, the Society of Engineers, Abu Dhabi Convention and Exhibition Bureau, and sponsored by TransGulf Readymix. The forum was chaired by Dr. Reem Sabouni, Associate Professor at ADU, President of the American Society of Civil Engineers UAE Section (ASCE-UAE), and Chair of Women Engineers at fib-UAE.

The forum received significant support from several local chapters of engineering societies, including the ASCE, which has been a consistent supporter since the forum's inception. Other supporting societies included ACI, IStructE, CSCE, CIOB, and IEEE.

Under the theme "Engineering the Future: Women Breaking Barriers with Innovation for a Sustainable World," this year's forum served as a dynamic platform celebrating the remarkable contributions of women in engineering. The event aimed to enhance equity, diversity, and inclusivity across various engineering fields, aligning with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 4, 5, 9, and 11.

The forum brought together over 20 influential women in engineering and more than 150 attendees. Speakers addressed the challenges women face in the engineering field and presented solutions to harness their potential for advancing the profession and skillset. The event facilitated the exchange of knowledge, experiences, and skills, with a particular focus on sustainable development and women's empowerment.

On the sidelines of the forum, the "Empowering Women in Engineering Innovative Sustainability Poster Competition" was launched. This competition showcased a range of innovative project ideas conducted by female students across different areas of engineering, tackling sustainability challenges.

The ASCE Abu Dhabi University Student Chapter also played a significant role in the event, hosting a chapter stand where civil engineering students showcased their projects through poster and model presentations.

The ASCE UAE section is proud to support and participate in such events that foster the growth and recognition of women in engineering, contributing to a more inclusive and innovative future for the profession.



Group photo during the appreciation session of the 6th Women in Engineering Forum 2024.



Dr. Reem Sabouni Forum Chair and ASCE UAE Section President During the opening ceremony of the 6th Women in Engineering Forum 2024.



ASCE Abu Dhabi University Student Chapter Stand during the 6th Women in Engineering Forum 2024.



The Chancellor of Abu Dhabi University appreciates the support of the ASCE UAE Section to the 6th Women in Engineering Forum 2024. The certificate was received by the ASCE UAE Section President Dr. Reem Sabouni.