



DONOR FACT SHEET

WHO WE ARE

The mission of the WiST Initiative is to promote the advancement, leadership, and meaningful participation of women in all areas of strategic trade management (STM). STM consists of measures to prevent proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, their delivery vehicles, and advanced conventional arms while allowing for legitimate trade. The WiST Initiative is in-line with UNSCR 1325 on Women, Peace, and Security, which is designed to shape inclusive frameworks to meet today's complex security challenges.

WiST GUIDING PILLARS



EMPOWERMENT

Highlight women's STM contributions and **promote** increased representation in leadership positions



CAPACITY BUILDING

Develop the knowledge and skills needed to succeed as an STM professional



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Provide a global forum for mentoring, peer-to-peer learning, and best-practice sharing

OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO)

- ▶ Serving as experts in the annual WiST Forum
- ▶ Joining WiST Working Groups
- ▶ Working with the WiST Secretariat to integrate WiST guiding pillars into your activities and operations
- ▶ Providing or serving as experts at WiST-related events, trainings, or intercessional webinars
- ▶ Cost-sharing or co-hosting WiST events
- ▶ Supporting travel for participants from partner countries
- ▶ Participating in the WiST Mentorship Initiative
- ▶ Providing technical support for the development and maintenance of online collaborative platforms
- ▶ Providing a forum for partners to learn from one another

JOIN THE INITIATIVE

The goal of the United States Departments of State and Energy in launching WiST is to have a concerted and sustained effort to achieve our intended impact of fostering meaningful participation across all areas of the STM field. To ensure diversity and long-term sustainability, we are seeking in-kind support from partners. There is no set time frame to contribute; contributions are always welcome.