

**AIST**

Women in Steel Conference

SOLD OUT!**17-19 September 2023**

The Westin Pittsburgh Hotel | Pittsburgh, Pa., USA

Blazing a New Trail

The Association for Iron & Steel Technology's (AIST) mission is to advance the technical development, production, processing and application of iron and steel. While most of our work is focused on this mission, promoting a diversified industry workforce is vital to retain and grow our membership.

We are cognizant of the need to remove barriers to entry for many prospective AIST members, which can transcend the Association and have a positive impact on the industry as a whole.





About the Event

This inaugural event has been created to support the recruitment, engagement and professional development of women in the global steel industry. Over two days, the event will feature three panel discussions, two keynote speakers, and leadership skills training to enhance attendee personal and professional growth. We are expecting an audience of more than 200 steel professionals, from operators to human resource personnel, representing individuals at various stages of their careers, to participate in this event. ALL are encouraged to attend this unique and inclusive seminar.

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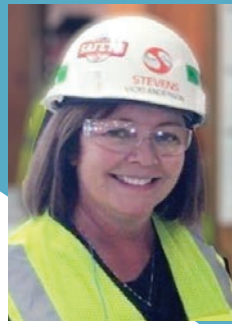
The Women in Steel Conference sold out more than one month from the start of the conference. The steel industry's support for this event has been nothing short of amazing, and AIST is eager to provide more opportunities for this segment of members in the future.

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“Every day, women are showing up and proving that we deserve a seat at the table in the steel industry. The work is exciting, and it is on the forefront of innovation and technology. A career in this industry promises a great opportunity for professional growth and provides a great sense of accomplishment.”

- Vicki Anderson
Chief Executive Officer,
Stevens Engineers & Constructors

Schedule of Events

Sunday, 17 September 2023

5–6:30 p.m. Welcome Reception and Registration

Monday, 18 September 2023

8–9 a.m. Breakfast and Registration

9–9:30 a.m. Welcome

9:30–10:30 a.m. **Opening Session: An Interview With Brenda Petrilena**
Brenda Petrilena, Director, Global Decarbonization and Program Management, United States Steel Corporation
Interviewed by: Karin J. Lund, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, G-Power Global Enterprises LLC

10:30–11 a.m. Networking Break

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. **Panel Discussion: If You Build It, She Will Come**
Moderator/Co-Chair: Mindy Toth, Vice President of Human Resources, Fives North American Combustion Inc.
Co-Chair: Staci Beiswanger, Employee Development Manager, Steel Dynamics Inc.

Confirmed Panelists:

- Jennifer Durbin, Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer, Commercial Metals Company
- Amy Fisher, Material Handling Manager, Nucor Steel Tuscaloosa Inc.
- Michelle Zwelling, Senior Director, Talent Acquisition and Development, Cleveland-Cliffs Inc.
- Kristin Malosh, Vice President Human Resources and HSE, North Star BlueScope Steel LLC

12:30–1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30–3 p.m. **Panel Discussion: Pay Attention to the “Group in the Middle”**
Co-Moderators: Julie Lord, President, FRC Global Inc., and April Pitts-Baggett, Senior Quality Engineer, Nucor Business Technology

Confirmed Panelists:

- Valoree Varick, Transportation Manager, Aluminum Dynamics LLC
- Nicki Taylor, Vice President and General Manager, Nucor Tubular Products
- Summer Knight Ready, Senior Product Manager Fluxes, Vesuvius USA
- Jennifer Kalin, Director of Business Development and Senior Project Manager, R.E. Warner & Associates Inc.
- Eva Dillon, Steelmaking Technology Manager, ArcelorMittal Dofasco G.P.

3–3:30 p.m. Networking Break

3:30–5 p.m. **Panel Discussion: Stand on the Shoulders of Giants**
Moderator: Kelly Dallas, Director, Engineering – Flat Rolled, Cleveland-Cliffs Inc.

Confirmed Panelists:

- Traci Forrester, Executive Vice President, Environmental and Sustainability, Cleveland-Cliffs Inc.
- Vicki Anderson, Chief Executive Officer, Stevens Engineers & Constructors
- Theresa Wagler, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Steel Dynamics Inc.
- Laurie Johnson, Vice President and Principal, DLZ Indiana LLC

5–5:30 p.m. **Women in Steel, Women of Steel Book and Future Projects**
Karin J. Lund, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, G-Power Global Enterprises LLC

5:30–6:30 p.m. Reception



Tuesday, 19 September 2023

- 8-9 a.m. Breakfast
- 9-10 a.m. Empowering Women: Small Steps to Achieve Big Careers
Liz Nesvold, President, Cresset
- 10-11 a.m. Thriving, Not Just Surviving: The Power of Resilience in Leadership
Kerry Siggins, Chief Executive Officer, StoneAge Inc.
- 11-11:30 a.m. Networking Break
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The “Shrink It and Pink It” Evolution
Ana Kraft, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Xena Workwear

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