## women in stem decadal plan Update guide

Since 2019, more than 35 **Women in STEM Decadal Plan Champions** have formally pledged their support of gender equity, adding their voices to this initiative led by the Australian Academy of Science. Each Champion has demonstrated their commitment to the vision of the decadal plan and, through their Champion's response, have aligned their gender equity actions to the six opportunities identified in the plan. As a Decadal Plan Champion, you are encouraged to provide an annual update to your organisation's response describing your progress against the six opportunities, and to highlight specific achievements, innovation, areas of focus and ongoing challenges.

This quick guide has been developed to help you prepare your annual update.

## UPDATE PROCESS



Review your organisation's Decadal Plan Champion response, noting key targets or intended activity within the six opportunities, and including any challenges thar your organisation continues to face



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Consider your organisation's progress against the opportunities.

Consult across your organisation to elicit examples of progress and good practice



Prepare an update that describes your progress. We recommend providing your update as either:

- An annotated version of your original response OF
- A **summary** appended to vour original response



Submit your organisaton's update report via the Academy's website.

Your Champion profile on STEM Women will be refreshed with the updated document.

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## Key issues to consider when preparing your update

OPPORTUNITY ONE LEADERSHIP	Describe activities that leaders in your organisation have taken in the past year to achieve gender equity, including any commitments or partnerships.
OPPORTUNITY TWO EVALUATION	Describe strategies and processes you have put in place in the past year to measure and evaluate your gender equity efforts.
OPPORTUNITY THREE WORKPLACE CULTURE	Outline your organisation's activities to shift your internal workplace culture to foster the retention and progression of women, and which activities have made the biggest difference.
OPPORTUNITY FOUR VISIBILITY	Describe any activities that have increased and promoted the visibility of women in STEM within or outside your organisation, including changes to how you approach conferences, events, media and board appointments.
OPPORTUNITY FIVE EDUCATION	Describe the activities you have been involved in which have inspired, supported and/or encouraged the teaching and learning of STEM for girls and women.
OPPORTUNITY SIX	Highlight any initiatives or collaborations you have undertaken to help other organisations, especially SMEs, to achieve gender equity.
★ NEW OPPORTUNITY COVID-19 RESPONSE	Outline the steps your organisation has taken to mitigate the potential negative impacts of COVID-19 on gender equity. <i>We congratulate UNSW for proactively including this opportunity in their response and encourage other Champions to follow their lead.</i>

