Why are we shining a spotlight on women in digital and computational research?

According to a report from 2018 published by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) titled “BRIDGING THE DIGITAL GENDER DIVIDE INCLUDE, UPSKILL, INNOVATE” (2018), women are still far less likely to use technology. In the foreword, the authors say the following:

Today the digital transformation provides new avenues for the economic empowerment of women and can contribute to greater gender equality. The Internet, digital platforms, mobile phones and digital financial services offer “leapfrog” opportunities for all and can help bridge the divide by giving women the possibility to earn additional income, increase their employment opportunities, and access knowledge and general information. We need to seize this opportunity to foster greater gender equality in the labour market, boost economic growth and build a more inclusive, digital world.
STEP 1

Please complete the following questions. Remember to relax and have fun with this, this content will go to a friendly community that is 100% human like you 👍😊. We will work with you to produce a 'publication-ready’ version of your answers. (click here)

STEP 2

Please provide your name etc., to add to the post (click here)

Questions

a. [ICE BREAKER QUESTION]: What is your all time favourite movie and what makes it so special?

b. Can you describe your background and your current role?
   ○ What line of work are you in?
   ○ Give a short summary of what you do in this role
   ○ What did you study?
   ○ How did you get involved in the tech space?
   ○ What software do you use on a daily basis in your job?
   ○ How did you learn to use these tools?
   ○ Which tool has the biggest impact on your ability to succeed at work?
   ○ Do you think women are well represented in your line of work?

c. Tell us more about your community of practice.
   ○ Describe the purpose of this community from your point of view.
   ○ How did you get involved?
   ○ Why do you find it useful to be a part of this community?
   ○ Is your community accessible and welcoming to women? If so, how?
○ How can other people become a part of this community?
○ What other communities of practice are you a part of?

d. What advice do you have for women in Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) eager to grow their computational skills?

About you:

○ Preferred name and surname:
○ Affiliation (where do you work or study):
○ Role:
○ Picture (Optional)

○ Contact and social media information (please share any contact details that you would like to add to the spotlight - Optional)
  ○ Email:
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  ○ Other: