

The BCSWomen undergraduate Lovelace colloquium

The second annual BCSWomen undergraduate Lovelace Colloquium will be held at The University of Leeds on 16 April 2009. The aims of the event are:

- To provide a forum for undergraduate women to share their ideas and network
- To provide a stimulating series of talks from women in computing, both from academia and industry
- To provide both formal (talks) and informal (networking) advice to undergraduate women about careers in computing from a female perspective

In 2008 over 20 universities were represented, and next year we aim to increase that. One of the 2008 attendees said...

"The day was well organised, the talks were all valuable, the careers panel/talking to people who have experience in the field throughout the day was incredibly helpful and encouraging, the posters were of a great standard and it was enlightening to talk to other students in a similar boat!"

What can you do to help?

- **If you're in industry:** Sponsorship offers are sought to provide assistance with **travel costs**. For a student from Edinburgh or London, £50 could make the difference between attending and missing out. If your company wants to chip in, that would be great! Various levels of presence at the event are available to supporting companies (stalls, delegate pack inserts, etc.).
- **If you're in academia:** Publicise it to your women students! Posters are available for download from the website.
- **If you know any women students:** Let them know about the event and encourage them to enter the poster contest.

Current supporters include Google, womenintechology.co.uk, Yorkshire Water, and the University of Leeds. Currently confirmed speakers are from IBM, Google, the University of Lincoln and womenintechology.co.uk

A more **detailed programme, photos, a report on last year, and information about the poster contest** can be found on our website at:

<http://www.comp.leeds.ac.uk/bcswomen>

