Bridging the Gap

Themes for the Conference Brought to Life

Sharing from their research and experiences, the distinguished panelists opened the conference with messages for the participants to consider as they listen to all of the research that is brought to life this week.

Facilitated by Therese McMillan, Dr. Francoise Thebaud talked about a relationship outlook and how policies must look beyond to the differences in impacts on men and women. Sophie Tekie shared framework and challenges of a third world country where often leadership has nothing to do with qualifications.

Minister Roselyn Bachelot talked of the strong influence her family had on her choice of politics and advocacy. She shared stories of minimization early in her career—clearly these made her stronger and more resolute as she navigated her leadership path.

Dr. Sandi Rosenbloom brought new light to the importance of not only using data to understand what is occurring but to incorporate anecdotal evidence. She gave examples of cultural differences in behavior that inform us in a different way about travel behaviors.

Greetings brought to the conference attendees by Helene Jacquot-Guimbal, Ifsttar and Bob Skinner, TRB
The gala, generously sponsored by the FIA and hosted in their lovely facility, gave guests the chance to celebrate many women, their challenges and their accomplishments. Moderator Mary Crass beautifully described the accomplishment of each of our speakers: Michele Mouton (Race car driver), Marie-Claude Heys-Kieffer (sailor) and Roselyn Bachelot (politician and Minister of numerous departments).

FIA President Jean Todt graciously greeted the attendees and helped present the awards to three very deserving recipients:

Dr. Susan Herbel (safety specialist)
Dr. Sandy Rosenbloom (travel behavior specialist)
Dr. Maryvonne Plessis-Fraissard (sustainable development specialist)

The participants also had the chance to submit research needs statements based on the inspiring words shared throughout the even-

Very Special Thanks

This quality of this conference has been greatly influenced by the very strong leadership of Dr. Ariane Dupont. Her creativity, her passion for excellence and her personal relationship style has guided every decision.

The committee members are grateful to her and the conference participants are the beneficiaries of her time, her talent and her heart for the subject matter.

Thank you to Susan Herbel, Marsha Anderson Bomar and the organizations represented here for their support of our scholarship program.
Technical Tours participants with a unique and interesting look at transportation in our host city.

Air and Space Museum

Bicycling in Paris

Last planning session, hosted by FIA on Saturday — and we are ready to deliver a great conference.