30 by 30 in Manitoba

30 by 30 has now received national support across all provinces and territories. Join this session to find out what 30 by 30 is, and how this initiative impacts you. There will be an analysis of the percentage of women in engineering in Manitoba and comparisons will be made across Canada. Explore some of the perceived challenges to women in engineering, such as "the leaky pipe", which represents the continuous loss of women in science and engineering as they progress in their career. Trained engineers with experience are a coveted asset for any organization - recommendations will be shared on how to increase the number of women entering engineering education programs, and workplace strategies that have been demonstrated to attract and retain women.

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