

**FEEC Update:** This year the University of Central Florida is very excited to welcome two new partners to the conference, the Florida Girls Collaborative and the National Center for Women & Information Technology. This is in addition to the continuing support of founding members the Florida Engineering Foundation, Florida Space Grant Consortium, Harris Corporation and others. A primary focus this year is on encouraging young girls to pursue engineering. This year's special focus began with the hard work of Mr. Jim Clamons, Vice President of Engineering Operations at Harris Government Communications Systems Division, who lined up four senior level women engineers for the industry panel. The Florida Engineering Society has confirmed that Mrs. Yassi Meyers, Vice President at URS Corporation and past FES President will be the keynote speaker. The UCF Department of Engineering and Computer Science Outreach Office is now coordinating with a diverse group of speakers for formal and informal panels. They are also expecting to have a full workshop program and an on-line conference system that will enable users to sit at tables with persons with similar interests to improve networking. The goal this year is to have 200 attendees (to include K12 STEM teachers, administrators, practicing engineers and other (informal) educators). Due to the support of the Florida Engineering Foundation and other conference partners, the FEEC will again be offered free to STEM educators.