

**DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND STATISTICS  
CHRIST (Deemed to be University), BENGALURU - 560029**

**Women in Research and Information Technology (WRIT Cell) along with Aspire  
for Her**

**Organizes Panel Discussion on  
Women in Artificial Intelligence**



# Departments of Computer Science and Statistics WRIT Cell

In Collaboration With  
**Aspire for Her**

Presents  
**Panel Discussion**

**Women In Artificial Intelligence  
Opportunities & Challenges**

**Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022**

**Platform: Cisco**

<https://christuniversity.in/join/76ddb6de8df430b>



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## **EVENT DETAILS:**

**Date:** 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2021

**Venue:** Online (CISCO WEBEX)

**Webex**

**Link:** <https://christuniversity.webex.com/christuniversity/j.php?MTID=md18376ddb6de8df430bb94a2d8e62db7>

**Theme:** WOMEN IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE – OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES

**Teacher Incharge:** Dr. Ummesalma

The Women in Research and IT cell (WRIT cell), an association of Departments of Computer Science and Statistics organized a panel discussion on Women in Artificial Intelligence – Opportunities & Challenges in collaboration with Aspire with Her organisation. The guest speakers of the event were Dr. Sukanya Misra (Senior Vice President and Head Mastercard India Technology Hub), Kritika Rathi (Team Lead-Data Science MiQ ), and Irina Ghose(Executive director And Cloud solution Microsoft India ).

The event **kick** started at 12:00 noon with invocation song by Yosha Upamanya (1<sup>st</sup> Year MSc. Data Science student). Miss. Madhura, the founder of Aspire for Her started the panel discussion on the note that how Aspire for Her aims to provide financial independence to women by grooming them with their conventional and unconventional career choices.

The anchor of the events where Sneha Ganesh (1<sup>st</sup> Year BSc. CMS student) and Paridhi Shah (1<sup>st</sup> Year MSc. CS student) and the event was moderated by Ruchika Lalla (1<sup>st</sup> Year MSc. Statistics student). The panel discussion started with the question of how does the everyday work look like of that of our esteemed guest speakers. Followed by the question of what are the opportunities in AI and being a student how can we compliment them. The answer to this question revolved around the fact that its not only the knowledge that will feed up but according to Miss Iriana Ghose amplifying our societal skills is equally important, participating in GitHub, posting on LinkedIn is equally valuable. Miss Kritika talked about the fact that how ads today on websites are especially directed towards you in the era of internet and digital advertisement. Miss Sukanaya supported the cause that AI is based on non-biased algorithm and training plays an essential role.

The discussion moved to the next phase which emphasized totally on the fact that how women can be a great achiever in the field of AI if they are well trained. Only 15% of the population are women who have filled in these gaps. There is a leaky pipeline of talent and knowledge which can be filled to provide better opportunities to Women in AI.

Women nowadays should be brave and not perfect – a statement made by Miss Kritika when talking about the myths of AI. Women should be more open to take risks and thus they will surely succeed.

The event was a great help to the women students who are aspiring to work in the field of AI sooner or later. The panel discussion was very interactive and was loved by all. Thanks to the steering committee co-ordinated by the teachers Dr. Anita H B, Dr. Sreeja C S and Dr. Ummesalma M.

## Some Pictures of the event:

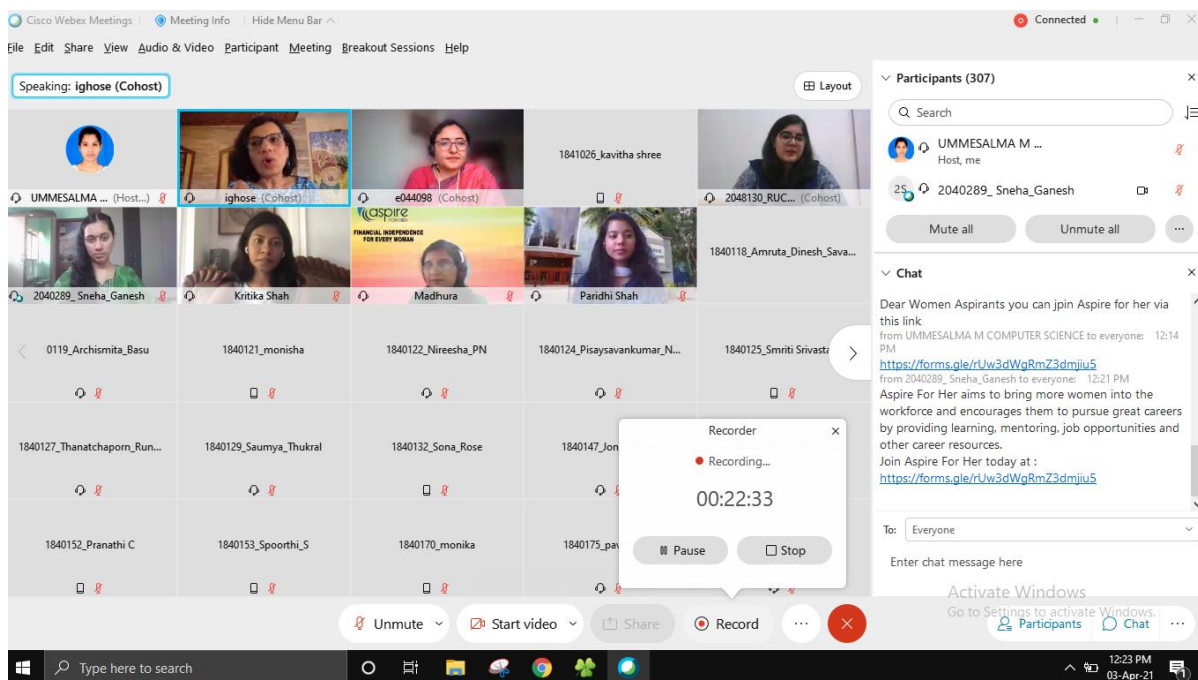


Figure 1: Members of the panel discussion along with our teacher incharge, anchors and moderator.

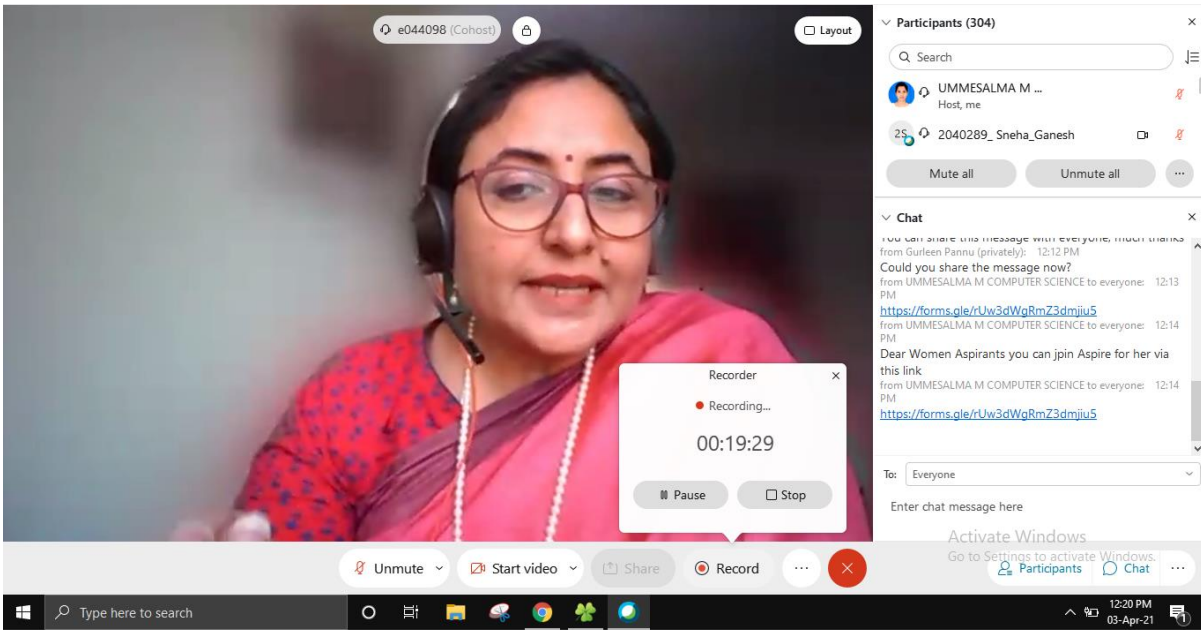


Figure 2: Dr Sukanyaa Mishra - Panelist

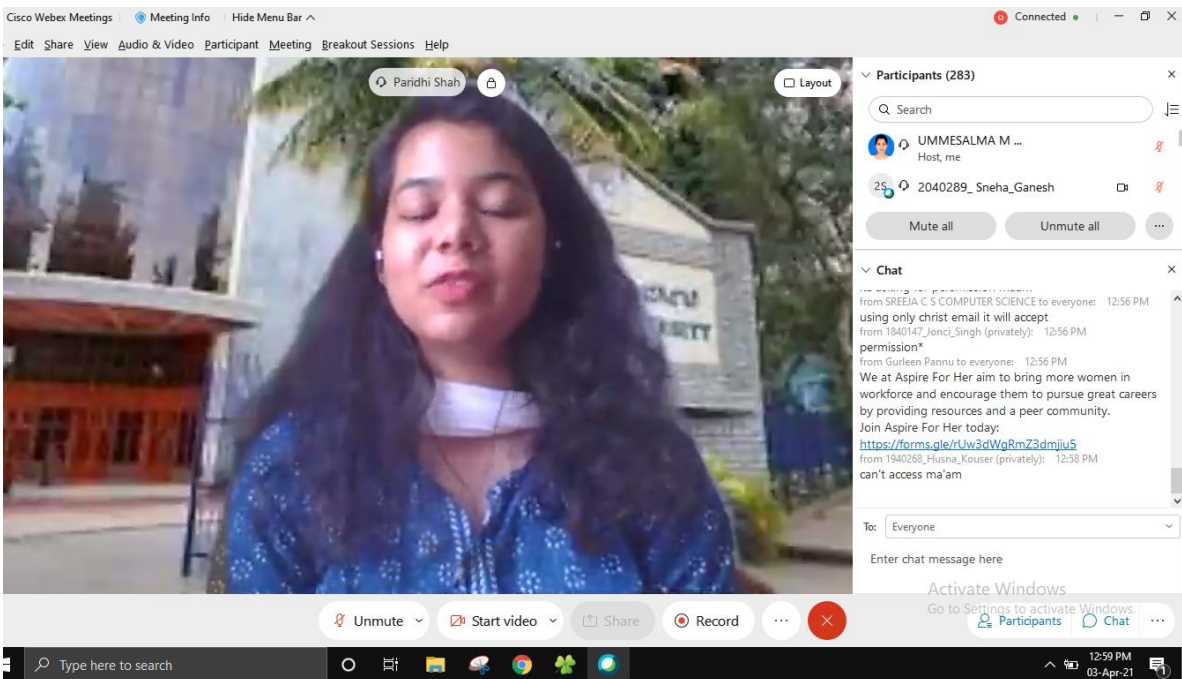


Figure 3: Paridhi – Anchor of the Event

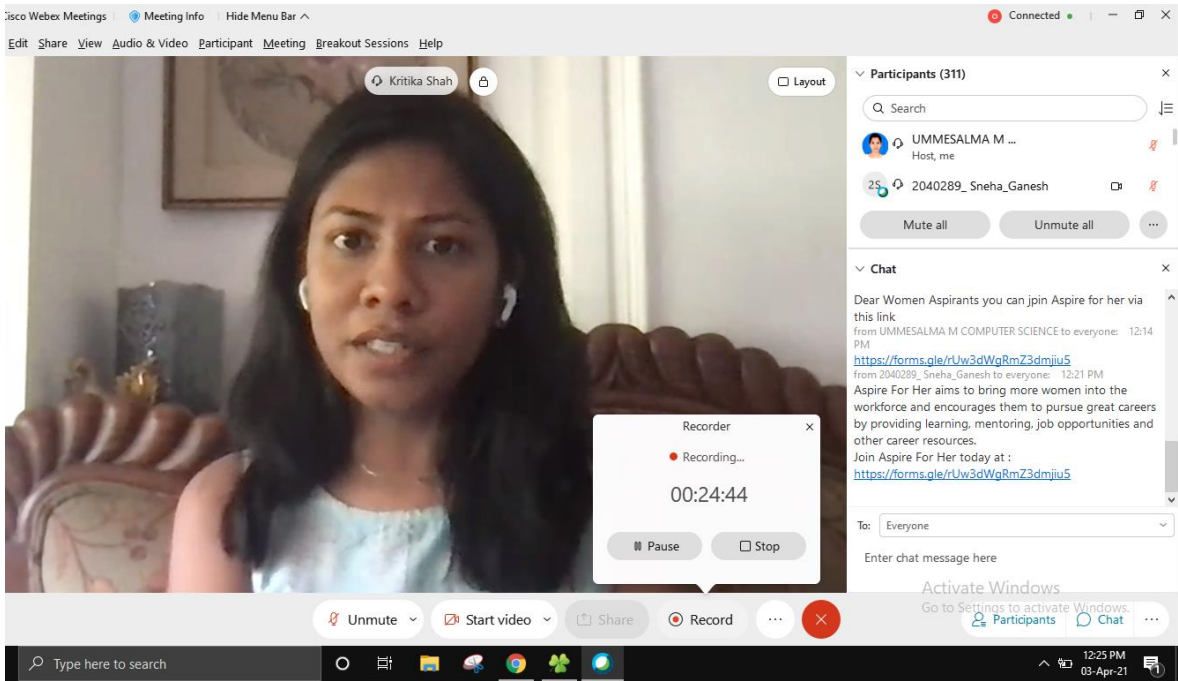


Figure 3: Miss Kritika - Panelist

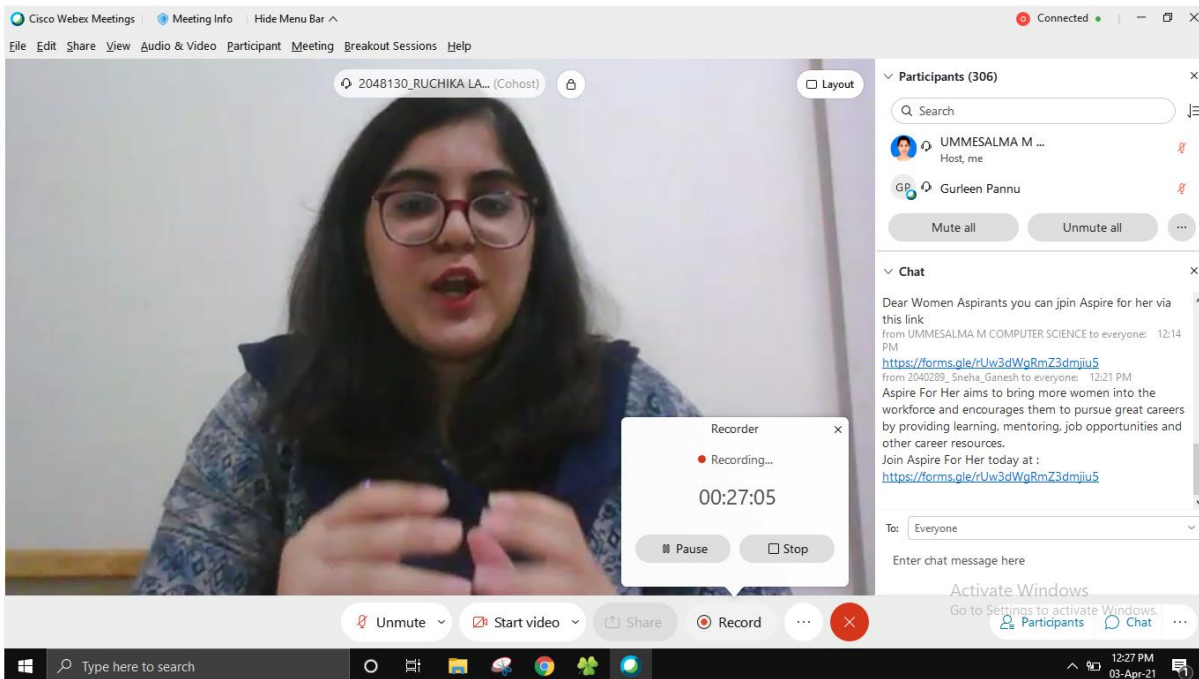


Figure 4: Ruchika Laala (Moderator of the event)

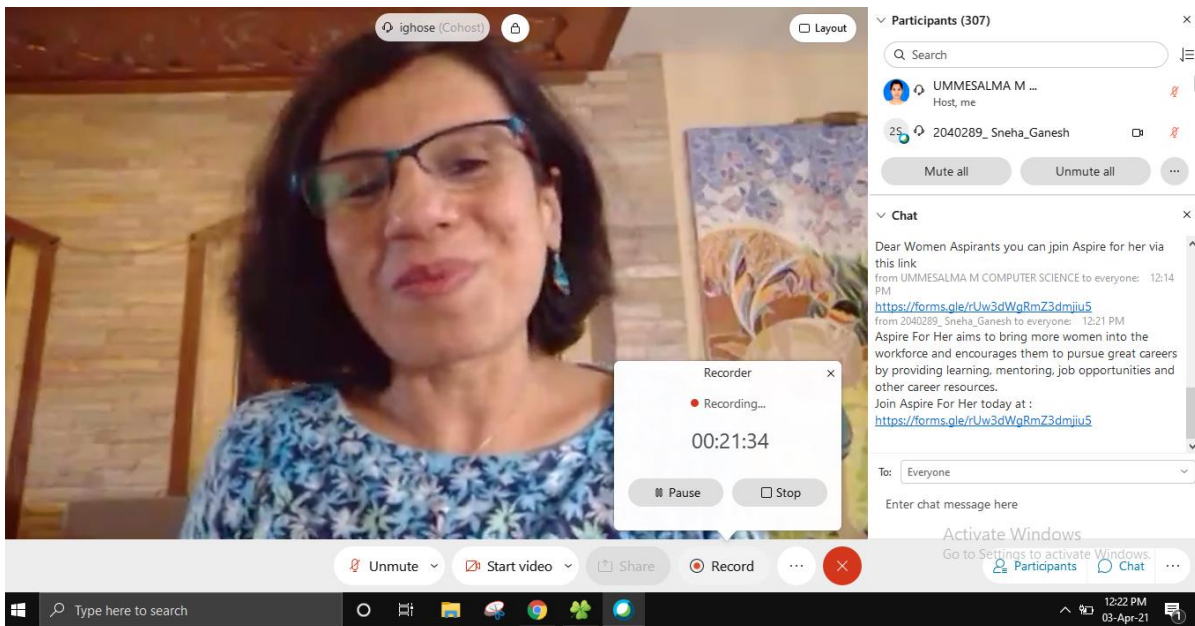


Figure 5: Miss Iriana Ghose - Panelist