



Launch of the WIA-E Barcelona LG

“Do we have locally women role models in Space?”

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For the launch of WIA-E LG in Barcelona, **Mireia Colina** (from GTD) and **Ignasi Ribas** (from ICE) organised a panel with three successful women in the Space sector.



- **Mònica Roca** (founder of the SME IsardSat and president of the Chamber of Commerce of Barcelona),
- **Teresa Anjon** (one of the most representative scientific of GAIA project) and
- **Diana Pueyo Brochard** (Head of Procurement at Thales Alenia Space in Spain and Director of Regional Development at WIA-E).

The public intensively participated in the discussion with questions as “*how to foster collaboration between Industry and Research?*”, “*are male and female researchers having the same difficulties in getting research grants*” or “*what can be done to promote the space sector in the area?*”

The discussion followed during the cocktail that took place afterwards and will have to follow by next WIA-E event in Barcelona... as according to participants time was too short!

Interestingly, the majority of attendees were men... this is in line with one research observation on gender: women tend to miss such networking opportunities and this harms their career.

Therefore WIA-E fosters networking as one of the means to contribute to a balance representation of women and men in the Space sector. So don't miss next opportunity!

We want to thank the city hall of Barcelona who supported the organisation and hosted the event.

And welcome Barcelona in our Association!



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