

Department of Physics
Imperial College London



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Dear Professor Cohen

An Athena SWAN award assessment panel was convened recently to consider the gold award submission from the Department of Physics at Imperial College London. Although the panel did not feel that the submission met the standard for this level of recognition, I am happy to inform you that they agreed that it had reached the required standard to renew your silver Athena SWAN department award. Detailed feedback on the submission is attached.

The award will be valid until April 2015. We encourage departments and institutions to advertise their achievement in communications and job descriptions. As such, attached are the appropriate Athena SWAN logos and guidelines for use. Please note that we are in the process of redesigning the logo and hope to release the new design in the near future.

Information about all the successful submissions will be published in an awards booklet. To be featured in this publication, please could you prepare a short piece of copy covering the following:

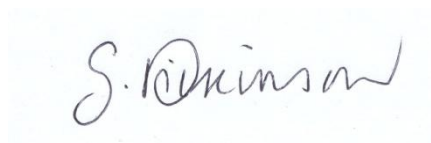
1. Description of the department or university
2. History and progress of one or two key initiatives supporting women in SET
3. Plans for the future

This should be no longer than 300 words. To ensure that this is included in the awards booklet, please send this to athenaswan@ecu.ac.uk by Wednesday 29 August.

The awards will be presented at an award ceremony to be held at Queen's University Belfast, 11.00 till 15.00 on Wednesday 26 September, and we would be delighted if you could join us there to collect your award in person. Attached is a booking form for the awards ceremony; institutions are entitled to two complementary places and can request further places at a cost of £50 per person. Recipients can also purchase a presentation package at a cost of £100, which includes an award statuette and photos from the events. Further details about timings will be confirmed nearer the date. We would be much obliged if you could return your booking form to athenaswan@ecu.ac.uk by Wednesday 5 September.

We would like to congratulate you on this achievement, and look forward to your continued involvement in the Athena SWAN Charter and awards.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Dickinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and a long, sweeping tail.

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