



**Global Conversations in Science Education Conference
Indianapolis, IN**

THEME: “STEMing Across Borders: An International Perspective on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics”

This is a ticketed event (M-1), open to all registered attendees of the NSTA National Conference on Science Education (at no additional costs)

Activities begin on Wednesday, March 28, 2012 with a President’s International Reception for all international visitors and invited guests that evening. On Thursday, March 29, 2012, the Global Conversations in Science Education Conference commences with a plenary talk by Dr. Joan Ferrini-Mundy, Assistant Director, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA. This plenary session will be followed by concurrent sessions related to the conference theme. A full complement of papers will be presented in a poster session, followed by a luncheon plenary speaker, Dr. Marissa Rollnick, Chair of Science Education, Marang Centre for Mathematics and Science Education, Wits School of Education, Wits University, South Africa, and a panel discussion. The day will conclude with short presentations from participants on current trends, issues, and best practices from around the world. On Friday, March 30, 2012, there will be a “Welcome to My Classroom” Showcase highlighting classroom settings from around the world. For more information, please visit the website at <http://www.nsta.org/portals/international.aspx>.

Special International Agenda

Wednesday, March 28

6:00-7:00 PM President’s International Reception
(Open to all international visitors and invited guests)

Thursday, March 29

8:00-8:30 AM Welcome & Introductions

8:30-9:00 Plenary Session
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Joan Ferrini-Mundy, Assistant Director, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA.

9:00-9:15 Break

9:15-10:15 Concurrent Sessions

10:15-11:00 Poster visits

11:15 AM - 12:15 PM Concurrent Sessions (cont’d)

12:15-1:15 Plenary Session/Lunch
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Marissa Rollnick, Chair of Science Education, Marang Centre for Mathematics and Science Education, Wits School of Education, Wits University, South Africa

1:15-1:35 Panel Discussion

1:35-1:50 Updates from Around the World

1:50-2:00 Closing Remarks

Friday, March 30

9:00-12:00 PM “Welcome To My Classroom” Showcase