



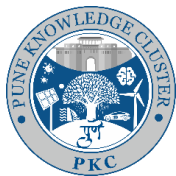
## Pune Knowledge Cluster

Presents

Conversations with Women Role Models in STEM

### A journey from Academics to Entrepreneurship

<b>Organized By</b>	Pune Knowledge Cluster (PKC)
<b>In collaboration with</b>	BASF Chemicals India Pvt Ltd.
<b>Date</b>	<b>Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>
<b>Time</b>	<b>4:00 PM to 5:30 PM (IST)</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Online:</b> <b>Zoom Link: <a href="https://shorturl.at/lsFR3">shorturl.at/lsFR3</a></b> <b>Meeting ID: 876 1313 8594</b> <b>Passcode: 893278</b>
<b>Description of the talk series</b>	An initiative by The Pune Knowledge Cluster, which aims to bring forward the journey of women in various fields of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM). This series is conducted in an informal conversational format to help the audience relate to the lives of successful women professionals in S&T, knowing first-hand about their success stories, their failures, and how they moved ahead to make a mark in their field. We hope this initiative will inspire young women to break gender stereotypes, societal barriers and encourage them to pursue careers in STEM.
<b>For whom</b>	It's public talk. Open to all
<b>Potential Gains</b>	Women Role Model Talk series aims to create a supportive ecosystem for women in science to build professional networks, meet women role models and develop leadership skills. The speaker will share details about their journey, research work, and motivation to engage in Chemistry.
<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Name: Dr. Renuka Karandikar</b> Designation: Co-Founder & CEO Bioprime Agrisolutions Pvt. Ltd.
<b>Registration Link</b>	<b>Shorten Registration Link: <a href="https://forms.gle/rhTFaop9sPLqtV536">https://forms.gle/rhTFaop9sPLqtV536</a></b> <b>QR Code for registration link:</b> 



## Profile of the Speaker



**Dr. Renuka Karandikar**

Dr. Renuka Karandikar is the Co-Founder and CEO of Bioprime AgriSolutions Pvt. Ltd. which aims to bring back "Pride and Profits" to the farmers by transforming the way they grow crops, making food more nutritious, residue-free while restoring soil health using cutting-edge technologies and approaches, always keeping sustainability at the core.

She holds a doctorate degree in Plant Sciences from Savitribai Phule Pune University and has specialized in genetic engineering of non-agro bacterium vectors. Renuka started Bio-Prime AgriSolutions at a time when there were few academicians turned entrepreneurs in the country.

She was amongst a handful of women entrepreneurs in the agriculture space, working on disruptive science-based solutions to real world problems. During the course of her startup journey, she learnt the importance of mentorship in making critical decisions for her company.

She strongly believes that sharing her journey with budding entrepreneurs and students will add immense value to their career decisions.

## About the Organizer



**The Pune Knowledge Cluster (PKC)** has been established by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India. It aims to bring together academia, R&D institutions, and the industry of Pune and its surrounding areas, to address the challenging problems of the region through innovative means, using scientific knowledge and engaging highly skilled human resources.

PKC is administered by the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA). In the initial phase, PKC would focus on Health, Sustainability and Environment, Sustainable Mobility, BIG Data and AI and Capacity Building.

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