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Charlotte NC to host Vision 2020 Regional Congress

PHILADELPHIA, PA (Sept. 4, , 2013) - Vision 2020, a national initiative to advance women's economic and social equality, is joining with its Regional Ally, the Charlotte-based Women's Inter-Cultural Exchange, in conjunction with the Southern Women's Show, to present a day-long Multi-Cultural Conference, ***Women in Power: Getting There and Giving Back*** on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at the Charlotte Convention Center.

Vision 2020 North Carolina Delegate Roberta (Bert) Harper of Matthews, NC, who also serves as WIE's Board Chair, is working with the conference committee to coordinate Vision 2020's role in the conference as National and Charlotte Metro business and community leaders discuss their professional and personal experiences with leadership. Monique Stamps, a Vision 2020 North Carolina Delegate from Charlotte, is a WIE board member and member of the Mentor / Mentee Program Committee.

Vision 2020 Leadership Circle members Connie Lindsey and Patricia Diaz-Dennis will participate in the program. Lindsey, National President of the Girl Scouts of the USA and Executive Vice President of Northern Trust, will deliver the keynote address on lessons she has learned on her path to leadership. Also, Diaz-Dennis, retired SVP and Asst. General Counsel for AT&T, will participate in the Power Panel discussion with Ann Caulkins, President & Publisher of the Charlotte Observer and Debra Plousha Moore, EVP & Chief Human Resources Officer at Carolinas HealthCare System. Moira Quinn, SVP of Communications and COO for Charlotte Center City Partners, will moderate the panel.

Vision 2020 Director of National Programs Catherine Ormerod will lead an afternoon session, *Collaborating for Change*, which focuses on national and regional efforts to achieve women's economic and social equality.

Interactive sessions ensure that conference attendees will have the opportunity to network with other inspiring women while also learning about organizations and individuals actively engaged in change efforts that benefit all women and men. Conference [registration](#) is required.

"We applaud our Vision 2020 North Carolina Delegates Bert Harper and Monique Stamps for taking the conversation of women's equality into their region," said Lynn Yeakel, Vision 2020 Founder and Executive Director. "It takes efforts at the local and regional level as well as in the national arena to make women's equality a reality."

Vision 2020 is a project of Drexel University College of Medicine's Institute for Women's Health and Leadership. Vision 2020 is also participating in 2013 regional conferences in Nashville, TN, Omaha, NE and Portland, OR. Click [here](#) for more information.