

Increasing gender diversity in engineering and technology

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Hack the World

- Our mission = secure supply of skills and competence.
- Hack the World = concept / umbrella and a call for action.
- "Technology makes the world better" and "problem solving".
- In order for a broader scoop of people to apply for a technical education, we must eliminate the obstacles that exist, we "hack" the obstacles.

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Obstacle 1: Young people (girls) lose interest in technology ...

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- In school: A textbook "Technology 10 lessons in changing the world"
 Free for all schools to order
- After School: Youth recreation centers: Teknikfritids
 Provides students with free internet surfing. But there is a catch: they only get access to educational content with technology as a theme
- After school: Collaborations with influencers such as Therese Lindgren New role models, inspiration to try it yourself



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- A free image bank called Bredda Bilden
- For schools, companies and not least the media that use images that represent the technology industry
- Consists of pictures of women studying at the Technical University (KTH) or working in the technology industry
- Important to highlight the power of the physical image
- Also broaden the image of technical environments and tasks
- Beginning of a Movement...









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Obstacle 3: Girls do not want to study technology or engineering at school because of most guys

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- "Girls who want to study technology" on Facebook
- Important with role models to be able to relate to!
- Discussion forum digital meeting place
- By girls, for girls
- "Girls who study technology" on Instagram
- Inspiration!
- New ambassador every week
- Media attention



Frågestund, allt mellan himmel **Q&A** 4d Kan man gå teknik även fast man inte är jätte bra på matte? Om man är lagom bra på det. Jag skulle säga att om man är villig att göra lite extra för att lyckas går det alltid, och lärarna är där för dig som elev, så var aldrig rädd att fråga om hjälp om du inte förstår något. Här på @mtgymnasium kan man välja hur mycket matte man vill läsa så om man känner att man inte hänger med när vi läser ma2c kan man stanna på den hela tvåan och sedan bara läsa till ma3c i trean istället för ma4&5 som vissa andra läser./ @mariatsychkova



Obstacle 4: Poor selfconfidence in maths scares girls from technology/ engineering

Thanks!

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