



1st Commonwealth Women's Entrepreneurship Summit

Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship
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The COVID-19 pandemic has exposed significant gender gaps in women's and girls' rights. Not only has the pandemic put their education, livelihoods, health, and well-being at risk, but it has also revealed systemic inequities in a new light. The heavy load of paid and unpaid care work carried out by women and girls is cast into stark relief as they struggle to cope with work inside and outside of the household. One of the survival mechanisms for women is to start their own businesses. This session will explore the efficacy of MOOCs for gender inclusion and how female entrepreneurs can be resilient and embrace technology as they navigate the road to full recovery and entrepreneurial success. You are invited to join our session to:

- explore the skills necessary for women to become successful entrepreneurs.
- encourage women and girls to embrace their inner strength and to enhance their technology skills to support their careers as future female innovators.
- share experiences from girls and young women who have succeeded with their own SMEs.
- discuss lessons learnt from the impact of COVID-19 for women across the Commonwealth, in the context.

The Panel:



Moderator:

Professor Asha Kanwar
President and CEO
Commonwealth of Learning



Ms Frances Ferreira
Education Specialist: Gender
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Ms Nazrene Mannie
Executive Director of GAN
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Ms Alexis Carr
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Ms. Lauren Shea
TeenTech Gold Ambassador and TeenTech
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