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Survey: Women in Automotive Trades

Dear Members

The Women, Work and Leadership Research Group at the University of Sydney is running an online survey investigating the workplace experience of women employees (including apprentices) working in the following automotive trades occupations:

- Automotive electrician
- Motor mechanic/technician
- Engine re-conditioner
- Mobile plant mechanic
- Panel beater
- Vehicle trimmer
- Vehicle painter
- Motor vehicle parts interpreter/automotive parts interpreter
- Diesel and machinery fitters

Women who are qualified in these trades but have moved into different autos-related roles are also eligible to respond.

This survey takes <u>10 minutes</u> and can be completed on mobile phones, tablets and computers and can be completed <u>HERE</u>.

There is very little research on the work and career experiences of Australian women working in automotive trades. The 2016 Australian Census data shows only around 1,700 women working automotive trades and the researchers are keen to get at least 100 women to complete the survey.

They are running the survey so that they can report on what might be done to improve women's participation and experience of work in the sector.

It is run <u>independently</u> by researchers at the University. The survey data is <u>confidential</u> and there is no request to provide your employer's name or other identifying information. Individual responses will only be seen by the researchers and reported together with all other responses (and won't be shared with employers or others).

If you're willing to be involved in a research interview, which will take place at a later date, you can provide your name/contact details later in the survey. Only the researchers can access this, and all of the survey data, which is stored securely.

If you have difficulties with the survey please email Dr Sarah Oxenbridge <u>sarah.oxenbridge@sydney.edu.au</u>.

Please note the ethical aspects of this study have been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee, University of Sydney. If you have any concerns please email <u>human.ethics@sydney.edu.au</u> or phone 02 8627 8176 quoting project number 2017/954.

Kind regards

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