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**Congresswomen Lucy McBath and Kat Cammack**

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*Invite you to a virtual briefing on:*

### Women and Patents: Increasing Diversity in the Innovation Ecosystem

**Thursday, July 15, 2021**

**12:00-1:00 p.m. ET**

#### **SPEAKERS**



**Elyse Shaw**, Study Director, Institute for Women's Policy Research (IWPR), will speak on research documenting the experiences of women and women of color in the innovation ecosystem.



**Valencia Martin-Wallace**, Deputy Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), will discuss USPTO's work to increase diversity in the innovation ecosystem.



**Dr. Lola Awoniyi-Oteri**, Principal Engineer, Qualcomm, will speak on her first-hand experience navigating the invention space as an inventor and patent holder herself.



**Holly Fechner**, Executive Director, Invent Together; Partner, Covington & Burling LLP, will moderate the discussion.

*This event was made possible through a grant from Qualcomm.*

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*Invent Together is a coalition of organizations, universities, companies, and other stakeholders dedicated to understanding the diversity gaps in invention and patenting and supporting public policy and private initiatives to close them.*

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