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Transforming the Women’s Leadership Paradigm: WESH (Women Executives in Science and Healthcare) Evolves

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WESH (formerly as SELAM)

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WESH has evolved into a venue for very senior level leaders.

Examples of WESH Approaches (2012, 2013)

• Shared leadership
• Teams for teams
• FT — formal and informal mentorship programs
• Program planning
• Published articles
• WESH Leadership Journal
• WESH Presidents 1998–2015
• Annual National Leadership Award
• Annual Executive Leadership Survey

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