

Profiles

Jan Harding Ph.D.

Jan Harding is currently an equal opportunities consultant and chairperson of GASAT (Gender in Science and Technology). She has devoted her career to promoting Science and Technology among women and as a result has cultivated an international reputation. She completed a research fellowship which led to a Ph.D. at the University of London in 1975. She has contributed to, or organised numerous courses for science teachers, workshops and conferences aimed at promoting women in science all over the world. She is a member of the Fawcett Society Education Committee, external examiner at a number of Universities and an elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

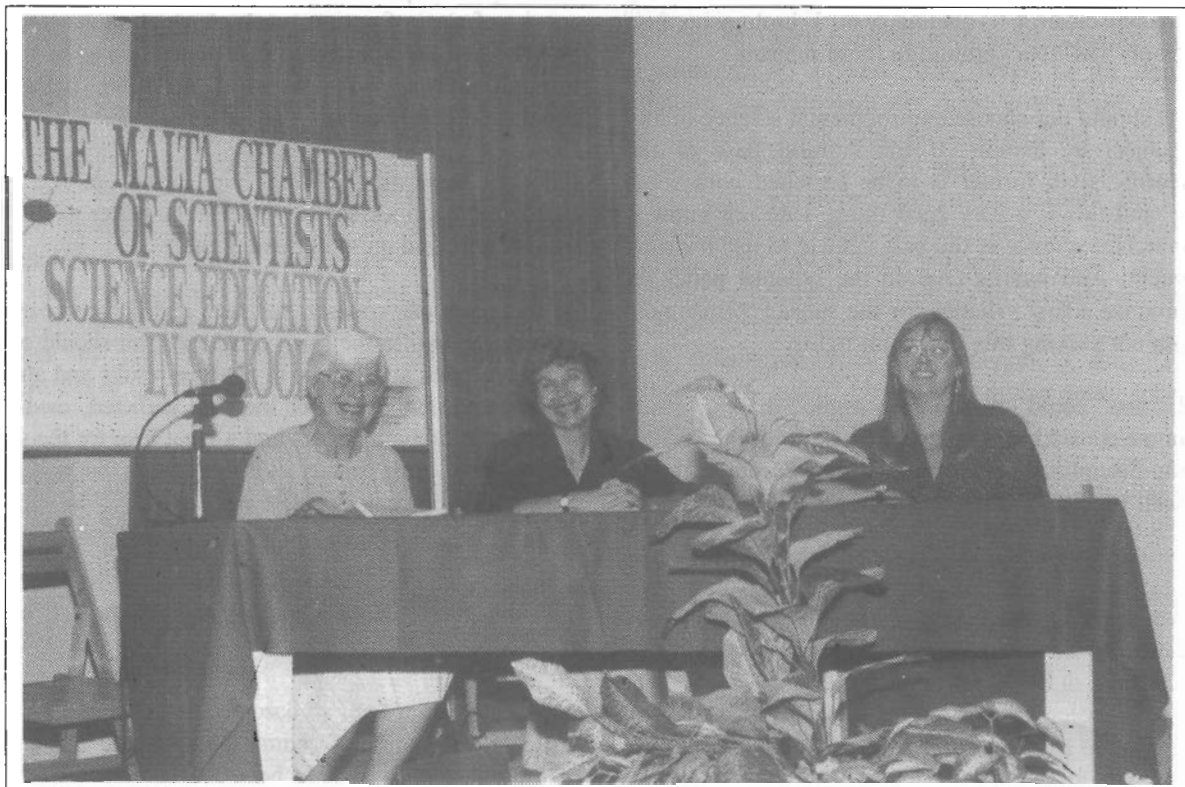
Elizabeth Whitelegg B.Sc.

Elizabeth Whitelegg is a lecturer in Science Education and Director of Research in the Centre for Science education at the Open University. During her 21 years experience working at the Open University, she has contributed to numerous OU courses for undergraduates, postgraduates in physics and in women studies and more recently she has written materials for the professional development of teachers in physics. She is now the Director of the major

curriculum development project for school and college students - the supported Learning in Physics Project. She is a member of the Collaborative Learning in Primary Science Research Project and a founding member of the Northern European Gender and Science Network.

Susan Tresman Ph.D.

Susan Tresman has worked for the Open University since 1981 as member of Central Academic Staff based at the Walton Hall Campus. Her Ph.D. is in Vertebrate Palaeontology (King's College, London). She is a qualified teacher holding a Post Graduate Certificate in Education in Biology with Physics from the University of Cambridge. She directs the largest Government funded programme of training for teachers of primary science in the UK, with many partnerships between the Open University and Local Education Authorities. Dr. Tresman is collaborating with Science Educators in Australia to spearhead similar programmes in New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia. Her present position is Programme Director of the taught M.Sc. in Science, and Director of Teaching in the Centre for Science Education.



The three invited foreign speakers during a session of the Forum for Science Education in Schools organised by the Malta Chamber of Scientists. From left to right, Jan Harding, Susan Tresman and Elizabeth Whitelegg.