

Our top 24 for 2024: Celebrating Global Ethnic Majority trailblazers

Ayo Sokale

CEO (Get Coached) & Major Projects and Programme Delivery Business Manager (Environment Agency)



Believe that you can do anything you want. And then prove it to YOURSELF by letting your every action reflect your values and goals.

Dr Ama Frimpong

Head of Product Development, 52 North Health Ltd



Do not be afraid to be the first of a kind! Your dream, your ambition is very attainable.

Yewande Akinola

Engineer, Innovator, Consultant and Speaker



The World needs you. For engineering to truly have impact, it needs to be diverse, and it needs to reflect the diverse community that we serve and so the world needs global majority engineers.

Dr Ozak Ejiofor (née Esu)

Chief Service Owner, Integrated Project Solutions



Find your passion and pursue it relentlessly. Seek out communities and create networks that support your journey.

Dr Ollie Folayan MBE

Head of Process Engineering Costain, Co-founder of AFBE-UK



Many of the things that will propel your career happen after 5pm, so spend that time discovering the person you see in the mirror, investing in yourself and knowing that it's okay to be that person.

Dr Abigail Otchere

Medical communications manager and co-founder of SISTEM



My desire to contribute to human knowledge is what inspires me everyday. There is so many unanswered questions and problems to solve in the world of science.

Veena Kumari

Network & Security Engineer



Helping to shape the future generations of young people either starting out or looking to join the industry has by far got to be my greatest achievement in my career!

James Dornor

CEO of Driven By Us



To anyone I've mentored I always say, believe in yourself, work hard and you'll make your dreams a reality, even if it takes time to get there.

Jacqueline Chinwe Stephen

Future Energy Leader, World Energy Council



Develop the confidence to embrace and own your unique perspective, experiences, and abilities as a future global ethnic-majority engineer.

Chinwe Odili

Project Manager & Offshore Structural Engineer



Don't let anyone limit your vision, only you can.

Donna Otchere

PhD student at Loughborough University



Find your tribe and excel, this field is for everyone.

Krystina P-R

Engineering Delivery Lead



Don't be afraid to put yourself forward for opportunities, even if you don't meet the full criteria yet!

Joshua Bruce

Youth Advisory Board Member, Mission 44



Be relentlessly curious and never accept things as they are. Always ask "why?" and challenge the status quo.

Mohammad Taher

DfT Aviation Ambassador



Who you can be tomorrow isn't limited by who you are today!

Shrouk El-Attar

Founder and Lead Electronics Engineering Consultant at Shrouk El-Attar Consultancy



Stay resilient, seek out mentors, and NEVER hesitate to challenge the status quo!

Emmanuel Afolabi

Founder of The Fest Hub & Civil Engineer



Working on projects and seeing them come to life after they have been built is an amazing feeling, knowing that you played a part in the development.

George Imafidon MBE

CEO & Co-Founder of Motivez and Race Engineer



Get some skin in the game for anything you are interested in. It's important to show, not just tell, your passion and dedication.

Navjot Sawhney

Founder, The Washing Machine Project



We need to address a diverse set of problems that reflect the backgrounds of diverse people, and this is something that global ethnic-majority engineers can pave the way in.

Zainab Adigun

Senior Structural Engineer at Carbon Clean



Your knowledge and experience is your weapon use it but what really propels you is being a change maker.

Dr Nike Folayan MBE

Technical Director WSP, Co-founder of AFBE-UK



Never give up. Have the courage to succeed. There will be challenges but just keep going.

Dr. Shini Somara

Fluid Dynamicist and Media Broadcaster



Make a difference through your differences. Diversity is the spice of life!

Mimi-Isabella Nwosu

Civil Engineer



Be authentically you, no one can do you better than you.

Eneni Bambara-Abban

Robotics Engineer and Creative Technology Relationship Manager



Challenge your self-doubt by reframing negative thoughts. Replace "I don't belong here" with "I am learning and growing."

Stephanie Stella Travers

Impact Manager Project 44



Be determined and do not let any negative situation put you down, anything is possible if you put your mind to it.

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