

# GLOBAL STEM AWARD

## News Update

Isn't it great to now feel and experience a sense of normality once again, retuning to exhibitions, workshops and activities in school, face to face meetings instead of everything 'virtual' and online! So far it's been an incredibly busy year.....

### *Global STEM Awards – New Awards*

Since launching the new resources and criteria for the Global STEM Awards, we have been incredibly impressed by the students work coming in. Huge congratulations to Charlotte Weiss, aged 14 from London, who has recently completed her project 'An Athlete's Diet' and claimed a Gold-Higher level Global STEM Award. Her detailed project hit all the new validation criteria for the award and shown some exemplary detail and research. She also provided some fantastic reflection on the skills she used in undertaking her project and showcased some great evidence in performing the Benedict's solution experiment as part of her challenge. Many congratulations Charlotte! Some further details on Charlotte's project can be seen on our website at <https://globalstemaward.org/project-examples/>

### *Global STEM Awards Advisory Panel – Meet the members:*

The advisers represent a range of STEM professionals and organisations from across the UK. In this edition we would like to introduce you to:

#### **Syeda Femtinis**

Syd is an award winning STEM communicator, radio presenter and serial entrepreneur. She has a vast range of experience working with children having taught in state, grammar and independent schools in and around Birmingham and running Femtinis for the last decade from which she delivered to 12,000 children.

Syd is passionate about inspiring the next generation of STEM leaders and innovators and believes that making education fun, accessible and hands-on will allow children to experience the excitement and curiosity that science has to offer!



Her recent projects involve UK Virtual School, an online school for homeschooling families and UK Educators Community, where she offers business support and workshops for education businesses to help them avoid making the same errors she has done and to maximise their impact.

Syd is a strong believer that it takes a collaborative approach to make an impact on a larger scale. UK Educators Community helps educators running businesses to understand their businesses better, to be challenged and to make things happen. She regularly interviews experts for the UK Educators podcast.

Through her work, Syd's mission is to transform the perception of education for children and families into something exciting, fun and enjoyable. She can't do this on her own and welcomes collaborative projects with others. See more about Syd at <https://www.femtinis.com/>

## *New Scientist 'Live' Show – 12-14 March 2022*

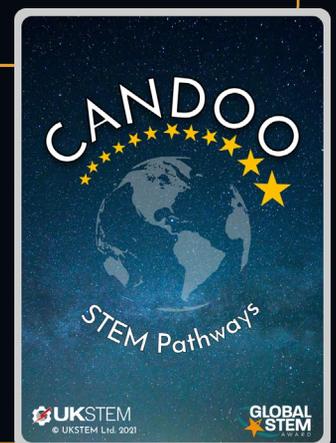
The Global STEM Award with the new certificates and criteria were unveiled at the New Scientist Live in Manchester this March. It was also the first public showing of the careers card game CANDOO - both were well received by the public. Supported by the CUB (the multi-use programmable buggy) and a new simple product – a geodesic dome kit. The geodesic dome has some great maths and a host of scientific and engineering applications.



## *CANDOO® Cards: Update*

Finally – a quick update on the CANDOO careers card game! We had some fantastic feedback on the game from New Scientist Live and we're excited to announce we are now in the production stages, so you can expect to be able to pre-order a pack very soon.

CANDOO will come with free wraparound materials and activity suggestions, available on our website.



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