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 its 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, BEng
Youth Advisory Board Member, Mission 44

Be relentlessly curious. See problems as gateways to innovation. Ask 'why?' and 'why not?' to push beyond perceived limitations, redefine what's possible and make meaningful change. Remember, you don't know what you don't know.

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 propells you is being a change maker.

Dr. Shini Somara
Fluid Dynamicist and Media Broadcaster

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

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.

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.

Mimi-Isabella Nwosu
Civil Engineer

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

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