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**All Things Open conference to focus on the gender gap in technology**

*Will screen award-winning film Code: Debugging the Gender Gap and host panel*

Raleigh, NC, September 1, 2015 – Featuring many of the top open technology experts in the world and nearly every major technology company, All Things Open 2015, a two-day conference at the Raleigh Convention Center, will host two special events taking a close look at the gender gap that currently exists in the technology industry.

With tech jobs growing three times faster than colleges are producing computer science graduates and an estimated one million software engineering jobs going unfilled by 2020, there has never been a better time to heighten awareness and explore the reasons why this situation exists.

On Monday, October 19 the award-winning documentary “Code: Debugging the Gender Gap” will be shown to conference attendees and the general public, courtesy of Red Hat. The movie will begin at 12:20 pm EST and last 1 hour 20 minutes. It will be shown on the main stage in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor Grand Ballroom. Through compelling interviews, artistic animation and clever flashpoints in popular culture, the film examines the reasons why more girls and people of color are not seeking opportunities in computer science and explores how cultural mindsets, stereotypes, educational hurdles and sexism all play roles in this national crisis.

Immediately following the screening, a world-class panel comprised of leading open technology and subject matter experts will share ideas for how anyone can create an inclusive environment that welcomes diverse perspectives. Panel members will include:

- Caroline Simard Research Director, Clayman Institute for Gender Research at Stanford University
- DeLisa Alexander (moderator) – Executive Vice President and Chief People Officer, Red Hat
- Nithya Ruff - Director, SanDisk Open Source Strategy Office
- John William Templeton - President, Venturata Economic Development Corp, Executive Producer @ reunion

Individual tickets to the movie screening and panel session are available without having to purchase a conference pass. To purchase tickets visit <http://allthingsopen.org/register-now>. The cost is just \$25 USD and includes lunch.

For more information visit <http://www.allthingsopen.org> or email [info@allthingsopen.org](mailto:info@allthingsopen.org). For a full schedule visit <http://allthingsopen.org/schedule>.

**About All Things Open:** <http://www.allthingsopen.org>

All Things Open is a two-day conference focusing on open source, open tech, and the open web. It features some of the most well known experts in the country as well as nearly every leading technology company. In 2014 nearly 1,100 technologists and decision makers participated from 28 states and 10 countries. More than 1,250 are expected in 2015.

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