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IWD - Rhianne Short

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As part of International Women's Day 2023, we're sharing insights from our team about their experiences, their role models and their goals for inspiring others as, or about, women in tech and business.

How did you become a woman in tech?

I studied Criminology & Sociology at university before completing a Masters in International Security and Terrorism.

I never really planned on working in tech as I didn't have a technical background, but I found cyber security elements of my course really interesting and decided to apply for cyber consultancy roles.

I didn't think about the fact that these roles were in 'tech' as I was more focused on the fact that they were centred around a topic I was really interested in and passionate about. It wasn't until a few months into my first role when I was asked what it was like to be a woman in tech, that I realised I was(!) and was working in an industry I previously didn't think would be an option for me.

How do you feel empowered as a woman in tech?

I feel empowered as I have colleagues that listen to my goals, support them, and encourage me to achieve them.

What have you learned from the women you have worked with in your career so far?

That women can occupy roles at every level within tech, the sky really is the limit and there are opportunities for every type of person.

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