



Towards a National Strategy for Education and Employability for Australia's Industry 4.0

Tuesday, 25th February 2020, 12:00 - 5:00pm
National Library of Australia, Parkes Place, Canberra, Australia

Australian Council of Professions

The Unifying Alliance of Professional Associations in Australia

Employability means ensuring learners across their life-span are prepared for engaged citizenship and to find and create meaningful work. But work and society are changing rapidly. Much has been achieved in employability and work-integrated learning - but more remains to be done.

The Round-Table in November 2019 brought together thought leaders who drafted a Statement of Intent for a National Strategy to evolve Australia's education ecosystem to accommodate industry needs, promote social cohesion and enable citizens across the lifespan – regardless of their place or starting point.

This follow-on session will explore the next steps. See also www.Professions.org.au/education-employability



We thank UAC for their generous partnership and support of this event.



12:00 - 12:30

Registration - Tea & Coffee

12:30 - 12:40

Welcome - Acknowledgement of Country - Overview & Objectives

Dr David Christie - Managing Director, Universities Admissions Centre

12:40 - 13:00

Why do we need a National Strategy? Why the Initiative? The Story so Far...

Prof. Beverley Oliver & Klaus Veil

It Takes Talent

Stephen Parker - National Education Sector Lead, KPMG

Babies and Bathwater: Education fit for an Economy, a Democracy and a Human Being

Elizabeth Stone - Principal, Queenwood School, Sydney

13:00 - 14:40

How can we best Assess and Certify the Unique Skills and Knowledge of Students?

Prof Sandra Milligan - Director, Assessment Research Centre, Uni of Melbourne

A Verifiable Credential Ecosystem for Life-long Learning and Employment

Dudley Collinson - CIO, Universities Admissions Centre

14:40 - 15:00

Tea and Coffee

Enhancing the Viability of Small Business People - now and into the Future

Peter Strong - CEO, Council of Small Business of Australia

15:00 - 16:00

The new AQF - supporting an Education System of the Future

Prof Sally Kift - President, Australian Learning and Teaching Fellows

Why a Healthy VET Sector is Critical to our Future Prosperity

Craig Robertson - CEO, TAFE Directors Australia

Q&A Panel Session: How can we create and drive an Education Ecosystem that best serves learners at different life stages and facilitates future employability by supporting lifelong learning? How would this look like in 1 year? 5 years? 10 years?

16:00 - 16:55

Anthony McClaran - Chief Executive Officer, TEQSA

Dom English - Group Manager, Department of Education, Skills and Employment

Kadi Taylor - Head Strategic Engagement and Government Relations, Navitas

Pat O'Reilly - Head, Pathways and Partnerships, Sydney Catholic Schools

Facilitated by Prof Beverley Oliver

Concluding Remarks

16:55 - 17:00

Klaus Veil - President, Australian Council of Professions

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We are a not-for-profit organisation comprised of professional associations and organisations that share the mission of building and maintaining community confidence in all professionals.

Our work creates impact in three main policy areas:

- Education and Accreditation
- Professionalism and Ethics
- Diversity and Inclusion

Our current main projects are:

- Life-Long Learning/Education and Employability for Australia's Industry 4.0 Initiative
- Principles of Micro-Credentials
- "Education and Employability - Collaborating with Industry" Summit
- Professionalism and Ethics Summit

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The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) is ..UAC's work is done at critical nexus between these transitions our interest and passion is in how best learn and back again. There is no doubt that to meet the challenges that lay ahead Australia already enjoys will need rigorous and robust systems, technologies level. Our hope is that today's conference is another step forward in making



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