

9.3 2023 REGIONS RISING NATIONAL SUMMIT 13-14 SEPTEMBER CANBERRA ATTACHMENT

Attachment Titles:

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Conference Theme: Shifting Our Gaze

Date: Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 September 2023

Time: 7.30am – 5pm

Venue: Hotel Realm, Canberra

Day 1: Conference

Time	Duration	Item
7.00 am	30 mins	Registration opens
		Opening remarks and Welcome to Country
7.30 am	10 mins	MC Welcome and Housekeeping
7.45 am	10 mins	Acknowledgement to Country – Nin Jannette Phillips
7.55 am	5 mins	Introduce Minister – Christian Zahra AM – Chair, RAI
8.00 am	15 mins	The Hon. Catherine King MP – Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government
8.15 am	10 mins	Q&A
8.25 am	20 mins	Liz Ritchie – CEO, RAI
	45 mins	Panel 1 – Regionalisation <i>Facilitator: Liz Ritchie – CEO, RAI</i>
8.45 am		Dr Michael Fotheringham – Managing Director - Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute
		Luke Achterstraat – CEO - the Council of Small Business Organisations Australia (COSBOA)
		Prof. Peter Dawkins AO – Chair - Jobs and Skills Australia
		Cr Kylie King – Chair, Regional Capitals Australia
9.30 am	30 mins	Morning tea
	25 mins	Keynote Address
10.00 am	15 mins	Gavin Williams – Chief Development Officer, Regional and Remote - NBN Co

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10.15 am	10 mins	Q&A
	45 mins	Panel 2 – From Little Things Big Things Grow Panel (sponsored by Bendigo Bank) <i>Trailblazers, who are tackling their communities' biggest challenges with locally led, place-based solutions that work!</i> <i>Facilitator: Courtney Sloane, Government Relations and Public Affairs Lead, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank</i>
10.25 am		Lisa Button – CEO, Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia
		Kate Sowden – Executive Director -Work & Stay
		Dr Cath Cosgrave – Creator - Attract, Connect, Stay
		Sam Almaliki – Founder - Regional Angel Investor Network
	30 mins	Lunchtime Keynote
11.10 am	20 mins	Keynote Address – Michael Malakellis – Principal Director, KPMG
11.30 am	10 mins	Q&A
11.40 am	60 mins	Lunch
	20 mins	Keynote Address
12.40 pm	15 mins	Keynote Address - Prof. Megan Davis – Co-chair, Uluru Dialogue
12.55 pm	10 mins	Q&A
	50 mins	Panel 3 – Jobs and Skills of the Future Panel (sponsored by Essential Energy) <i>Facilitator: John Cleland, CEO - Essential Energy</i>
1.05 pm		Tony Cook PSM - Secretary of Department of Education
		Rebecca Pickering, interim CEO Inland Rail
	60 mins	Panel 4 – Housing Panel Session <i>Facilitator: Dr Kim Houghton – Chief Economist, RAI</i>
1.55pm		Rowena Johnston – Chief Credit Officer, National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation (NHFIC)
		Greg Hoffman PSM – Executive Officer, North West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils
		Andrew Hall – CEO, Insurance Council of Australia
		Kasy Chambers, Managing Director, Anglicare
2.55 pm	30 mins	Afternoon Tea
3.25 pm	50 mins	Panel 5 – Future focused A panel of experienced leaders discuss how, when done well, today's

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		decisions can leave a positive legacy for the next generations of regional Australians. <i>Facilitator: Craig Stallan – Executive General Manager, Transgrid</i>
		The Hon. Joel Fitzgibbon – former Federal Member for Hunter, acting CEO Australian Forest Products Association
		The Hon. Bruce Billson – Ombudsman, Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise
		Dr Saranne Cooke – Chair, Royal Flying Doctor Service; Deputy Chancellor Charles Sturt University
		Di Somerville – Chair, Regional Development Australia Riverina
4.15 pm	25 mins	In Conversation
4.40 pm		Close



SUMMIT DINNER FUNCTION

Hotel Realm, Canberra

Time	Duration	Item
6.30 pm		Function begins
6.30 pm	Ongoing	Drink service – Foyer
7.00 pm		Guests seated
7.15 pm	5 mins	Welcome – MC
7.20 pm	10 mins	Welcome to Country
7.30 pm	45 mins	Dinner service
8.15 pm	5 mins	RAI Welcome – Christian Zahra AM, Chair, RAI
8.20 pm	15 mins	Ministerial address – The Hon. Kristy McBain MP
8.35 pm	20 mins	Keynote Address – Ms. Tanuja Sanders, Founder, the Sathya Olive Company and Project Manager in energy and mining sectors
9.00 pm		Dessert service
10.00 pm		Event concludes

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Day 2: CONFERENCE

Time	Duration	Item
8.30 am	25 mins	Registration opens
	30 mins	Opening remarks
8.55 am	5 mins	MC Welcome and housekeeping
9.00 am	10 mins	Keynote Address The Hon. Peter Dutton MP – Leader of the Opposition
9.10 am	15 mins	Q&A
	30 mins	Keynote
9.25 am	20 mins	Keynote Address - Mark Allison – CEO, Elders Limited
9.45 am	10 mins	Q&A
	50 mins	Panel 6 – Health Panel
9.55 am		Prof Steve Robson – President, Australia Medical Association
		Sonia Henry – GP and Author
		Megan Callinan – CEO, Marathon Health
		Suzanne Tegen – CEO, National Regional Health Alliance
10.45 am	25 mins	Morning tea
	50 mins	Panel 7 – Leaders shifting their Gaze Panel <i>Facilitator: Liz Ritchie, CEO, RAI</i>
11.10 am		Barry Irvin – Chair, Bega Cheese
		Jacqueline Hey – Chair, Bendigo Bank
		Wendy McCarthy AO – Director and Activist
		Ming Long AM – Chair, AMP Ltd; Chair – Diversity Council of Australia
		Adam Davids – Director, CareerTrackers & Social Ventures Australia
	45 mins	Panel 8 – Federal and State Dept. Secretaries Panel
12 noon		Rebecca Fox – Secretary, Department of Regional NSW
		Alison Lloyd-Wright – Deputy Chief Executive, Department of Premier and Cabinet SA
		Paul Isaachsen – Deputy Director General, Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development WA

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		David Mackay – Deputy Secretary, Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
	40 mins	Keynote Address
12.45 pm	30 mins	Prof David Audretsch – Editor in Chief - Small Business Economics: An Entrepreneurship Journal
1.15 pm	10 mins	Q&A
1.25 pm	50 mins	Lunch
	45 mins	Panel 9 – Innovation in our Regions Panel <i>Facilitator: Sam Dimarco – General Manager Regional and Remote, nbn</i>
2.15 pm		Ben Barlow – Managing Director, New Edge Microbials
		John Barraclough – Founder and Executive Chairman, UAG Bio Nutrients
		Nick Sheehan – Founder and CEO, efex
		Julia Spicer – Queensland’s Chief Entrepreneur
		Suzanne Campbell – Founder, Vennu
	50 mins	Panel – Move to More Panel/RAA stories <i>Facilitator: Laureta Wallace</i>
3.00 pm		Kieren Dell – CEO, Majestic Cinemas
		Tanuja Sanders – Founder, the Sathya Olive Company and Project Manager in energy and mining sectors
		Mez Keith – Wilga Station, Bathurst
		Jim A Barker – Twelve Points Photography
		Dr Linda Lorenza – CQ University
3.50 pm	15 mins	Afternoon Tea
	30 mins	Podcast Recording
4.05 pm		Bec Bignell with Edwina Bartholomew and Neil Varcoe
	10 mins	Closing remarks
4.35 pm		Christian Zahra AM – Chair, RAI
4.45 pm		Day 2 Close