

# WAVE National Conference 2016

Wednesday 20 April 2016, Northern Sydney Institute, TAFE NSW

## Women: Education, Empowerment, Equality

### A New Agenda?

On 26<sup>th</sup> September 2015 the United Nations General Assembly formally adopted 17 Sustainable Development Goals for a New Global Agenda 2015-2030.

What might Goal - 4 Quality Education, Goal 5 - Gender Equality, & Goal 8 - Decent Work and Employment and the new policy agenda mean for Australian women?

## Program

10.30 – 11.00	Registration & coffee
11.00 - 11.10	Welcome to Country - Uncle Allen Madden
11.10 - 11.20	Welcome to the Conference - Linda Simon, National Convenor
11.20 - 11.50	<b>Session 1: Setting the scene: Issues for Australian women and girls</b> Chair: Linda Simon <b>Speaker:</b> Marian Baird, Professor of Employment Relations, Director of the Women and Work Research Group, University of Sydney Business School
11.50-12.45	<b>Issues and ideas for women and girls today in VET and adult education</b> <b>Panel and discussion, including:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sally Thompson, Women's officer, Australian Education Union</li><li>• Tess Julian, CEO, Catalyst Exchange Pty Ltd</li><li>• Dr Susanna Saffu, Batchelor Institute</li></ul>
12.45– 1.20	Lunch and Networking
1.20 – 1.50	<b>Women in vocational education and training: participation and outcomes:</b> Michelle Circelli, NCVET
1.50 - 2.20	<b>Session 2: Working with industry and community – Chair: Jane Newton</b> <b>Speaker:</b> Ro Coroneos, Lend Lease Barangaroo South Community and Social Strategy
2.20 – 2.45	<b>Apprenticeships for women and girls: A C21 Agenda?</b> <b>Speaker:</b> Professor Anne Jones, Victoria University
2.45 – 3.20	VET Policy and Practice
3.20 - 3.35	Afternoon Tea
3.35 - 4.20	<b>Session 3: A new global/local agenda: what might this mean for Australian women?- Chair: Kira Clarke</b> <b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alison Aggarwal Principal Adviser/manager, Australian Human Rights Commission</li><li>• Elaine Butler, WAVE Ambassador</li></ul>
4.20 – 5.20	<b>Plenary – Agenda Planning: Future action and planning for a new agenda</b>
5.20 - 5.30	Close – Linda Simon