



Women in Adult and Vocational Education Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to our February 2020 WAVE Newsletter. This Newsletter provides information around our WAVE forum to be held in Melbourne on Wednesday 22 April, and reminds you of the importance of making International Women's Day one of your upcoming events. Have a look at some of the activities that WAVE has been involved in.

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Linda Simon

National Convenor

This issue

This issue includes information around a range of VET events, including our own forum: *More than just women in hardhats: understanding the wide role of VET for the careers of Australian women.*

We have a great range of speakers, and our forum is just the day before the AVETRA conference, giving you the chance to attend both events.

Thanks to our forum sponsors: the VET Development Centre and the Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service (AATIS)



Australian wrap up

WAVE activities

Read the report below on the WAVE activities for the past few months. You can see that we are always busy and look forward to new (or old) members joining our working groups. Just email us.

- Members of the WAVE Executive provided feedback on the Position Paper to the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of The Fourth World Conference on Women and The Beijing Declaration and Platform For Action (1995). The Joint Position Paper was from Disabled People's Organisations Australia (DPO Australia) and the National Women's Alliances.
- Members of the WAVE Executive provided inputs to the 'Womens Timeline'. The Womens Timeline is a resource for teachers and students. The **timeline** includes major political, education, legal and social milestones for Australian **women**.
- WAVE Executive endorsed Sally Moyle as Australia's representative on the CEDAW Committee.
- Members of the WAVE Executive provided technical inputs into the ACFID Education Community of Practice (CoP) to inform submission by NGOs to the Australian Governments Aid Review.
- Members of Executive provided inputs to the eS4W Retirement Incomes Review.
- Members of Executive will provide inputs into the Religious Discrimination Bill over the coming month. The core of the Bill is based on the existing federal discrimination bills (such as the *Sex Discrimination Act 1984*).
- WAVE Victorian co-convenor Demmi Paris has been elected to the Equality Rights Alliance (ERA) Steering Committee
- WAVE will be hosting an event at the time of the NCVER conference in Perth – 8-10 July 2020
- WAVE members will be writing up a document for the NCVER VOCEDplus Landmark Documents Project on equity of access in VET, tracing patterns and trends over the years

WAVE National Forum 2020

Wednesday 22 April 2020
VET Development Centre
Level 8, 379 Collins Street
Melbourne

Draft timetable

10-10.30	Opening
10.30-11.15	<i>Women in Non-Traditional Higher-Level Vocational Career Streams</i> – Elizabeth Knight
11.40-12.20	<i>A feminist view on careers for women</i> (Panel) – Ann-Marie Bathmaker, Sue Webb, Stephanie Allais, chaired by Elizabeth Knight
1.45-2.30	<i>Women, VET and Future Work</i> - Jane Newton
2.30-3.20	<i>Women in trades careers: different types of evidence</i> (Panel) Karen O'Reilly Briggs, Deb Parker, Michelle Circelli chaired by Kira Clarke
4.30	Close

The timetable allows for discussion groups.

Registration:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wave-forum-2020-more-than-just-women-in-hardhats-tickets-86285555419?utm_campaign=postpub&utm_medium=em&utm_source=sm&utm_content=vwevent

Contact wave@wave.org.au or for more information, go to: www.wave.org.au



International Women's Day 2020 Sunday 8 March 2020

The **theme for International Women's Day** (8 March) **2020** is, **I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights.**

Look for events in your local area or if you would like to host a WAVE event for International Women's Day, send us a message.

VET Development Centre

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN! 2020 VDC Teaching & Learning Conference

Registrations are now open for the 2020 VDC Teaching & Learning Conference at the popular RACV Torquay Resort on the Great Ocean Road in Victoria. The VDC has provided this leading annual teaching and learning conference for the past 14 years establishing it as one of Australia's leading teaching focussed events. The program delves into the fundamentals for excellent vocational education and training practice.

NCVER 'No Frills' Conference

NCVER 'No Frills' conference will be held at North Metropolitan TAFE in Perth 8-10 July 2020. The conference title is: **Workforce ready: challenges and opportunities for VET.**

Registrations open in March.

Keep your eye out for information about the WAVE event to be held during the NCVER conference time.

AVETRA's 23rd Annual Conference

Thursday & Friday 23rd – 24th April 2020

Citadines Conference Centre
131-135 Bourke St, Melbourne

**20/20 vision for VET: Research at the centre of
future policy and practice**

REGISTER NOW

<https://www.avetra.org.au/pages/avetra-annual-conference.html>

About WAVE

WAVE is a national network of women involved in VET, adult education and the broad field of work-related education and training. WAVE provides seminars & workshops, research, policy advocacy and advice, as well as networking on an international, national and state basis. We are supported within each state by local representation that in turn contributes collaboratively to national events and governance. wave@wave.org.au