

Agenda

5th National Local Government Workforce Development Forum

16-17 April 2012

Common Room, University House, Australian National University
1 Balmain Crescent, Acton, Canberra

Day One – Monday 16 April

9–9.30am	Registration Arrival tea and coffee	
9.30–9.45am	Acknowledgement of Country Welcome	<i>Margaret Reynolds, Chair, ACELG Board</i>
	National Interim LG Workforce Strategy Workshop	
	<i>Purpose: To facilitate the progress of finalisation of the National Interim LG Workforce Strategy, concurrent workshops will be held to deal with outstanding issues</i>	
9.45–10.15am	Overview and Intro	<i>ACELG</i>
10.15–11.45am	Concurrent workshops	<i>Self-directed breakout sessions</i>
	<i>Morning Tea/Coffee (Working)</i>	
11.45am–12.45pm	Plenary: Workshop Group Presentations and Open Forum Discussion	<i>Representatives of each breakout group</i>
	<i>[5min presentation + 10min discussion per group]</i>	
12.45–1.00pm	Summary and Next Steps	<i>ACELG</i>
1–2pm	Lunch	

2–2.15pm	<p>Federal Initiatives</p> <p>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education – Training and skills information</p>	<p><i>Martin Paul, ISC and Industry Engagement, Industry Workforce Branch, Dept of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research & Tertiary Education</i></p>
2.15–2.40pm	<p>Data Panel</p> <p>LG Minimum National Workforce Data Sets update and importance of state data to strategy</p>	<p><i>Mervyn Carter, Project Manager, National LG Workforce Strategy & Data ACELG</i></p>
2.40–2.50pm	Q&A and forum discussion	
2.50–3.10pm	<p>National labour market update including LG workforce data</p>	<p><i>Ivan Neville, Branch Manager, Labour Market Research and Analysis, DEEWR</i></p>
3.10–3.30pm	Q&A and forum discussion	
3.30–3.45pm	<i>Afternoon Tea/Coffee</i>	
3.45–4.40pm	<p>Skills and LLN Panel</p> <p>Government Skills Australia – Workforce development and strategic direction</p>	<p><i>Lynn James, Industry Liaison Officer, Government Skills Australia</i></p>
	<p>Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council – <i>The Challenge of Caring</i></p>	<p><i>Rhoni Stokes, Communications Manager, Community Services & Health Industry Skills Council</i></p>
	<p>Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) Foundation skills for effective workplaces Benefits and realities of a national approach</p>	<p><i>Jenny Spear, AD, Adult Literacy Policy Foundation Skills & Pathways Branch, DEEWR</i></p>
4.40–5pm	Q&A and forum discussion	
7–7.30pm	<i>Drinks</i>	<i>FOYER OF GREAT HALL</i>
7.30–10pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>GREAT HALL University House, ANU (next to Common Room)</i>

Day Two – Tuesday 17 April

8.30–9.30am	<p>Productivity Panel</p> <p>Keynote: Productivity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General principles and drivers ▪ How to measure and interpret it ▪ How to manage and improve it ▪ Productivity in relation to workforce skills and infrastructure building <p>Telework – Definition, benefits and myths</p> <p>Q&A and forum discussion</p>	<p><i>Shiji Zhao, Assistant Commissioner Productivity Analysis Branch Productivity Commission</i></p> <p><i>Nina Sochon, Manager, Telework Section, Dept of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy</i></p>
9.30–10.30am	<p>LG Workforce Development Case Studies</p> <p>Practitioner Perspectives on Workforce Development – LG Case Studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kogarah City Council NSW ▪ City of Melville WA 	<p><i>Alison Hester, Manager Human Resources, and Nicole Rogan, Coordinator Economic Development, Kogarah City Council NSW</i></p> <p><i>Dr Shayne Silcox, CEO, City of Melville WA</i></p>
10.30–10.45am	<i>Morning Tea/Coffee Break</i>	
10.45-11.15am	Resume session – Q&A and discussion	
11.15am–11.45am	<p>Managing Mature Talent in LG Project</p> <p>Findings and strategy</p> <p>Hope – Hype – Hard Evidence</p>	<i>Julie Morgan, Consultant</i>
11.45am-12.30pm	Q&A, forum discussion / workshop	
12.30–1pm	Lunch	

1–2.15pm	<p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment in LG Project</p> <p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment in Local Government Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Interim Position Paper▪ Demo Projects <p>Q&A, forum discussion / workshop</p>	<p><i>Escalier Consulting</i></p>
2.15–2.30pm	<p><i>Afternoon Tea/Coffee Break</i></p>	
2.30–4pm	<p>Learning in Local Government Program</p> <p>Learning in LG Program Project updates</p> <p>Q&A and forum discussion</p>	<p><i>Sarah Artist, Assistant Director, UTS Centre for LG</i></p>
4pm	<p>END OF FORUM</p>	
