



REALISING OUR POTENTIAL: WIDENING PARTICIPATION THROUGH EDUCATION AND TRAINING

PROGRAM

Time	Presentation		
9.00am	Registration opens		
9.30 – 9.35am	Welcome and setting the scene Mr Rod Camm, NCVER		
Keynote address			
9.35 – 10.15am	Music and art creates life beyond hard knocks Dr Jonathon Welch AM, founding music director of the Choir of Hard Knocks, founder of Social Inclusion Week and the School of Hard Knocks Institute		
Aspirations and student participation			
10.20 – 11.00am	Peer-mentoring and increased interest in university study Dr Aaron Drummond, Flinders University	What matters in understanding the post-school destinations of young Australians? Dr Chandra Shah & Professor Susan Webb, Centre for the Economics of Education and Training (CEET), Monash University	Shooting for the stars: what drives the aspirations of young Australians? Dr Alice Bednarz, NCVER
11.00 – 11.30am	Morning Tea		
Diversity and equity			
11.30 – 12.10pm	Good intentions are not enough: supporting post-secondary students with diverse learning needs Ms Annie Venville, LaTrobe University	Skilled migrants and their families: a brain gain or brain waste? Professor Susan Webb, Monash University	Indigenous students and the tertiary education sector Dr Susan Bandias, Charles Darwin University
12.15 – 12.55pm	Apprentices and trainees with disabilities: Profiting from participation and completion? Professor Errol Cocks, Curtin University	Are things improving? Progress in educational participation and attainment for disadvantaged youth Dr John Stanwick, NCVER	From school to work to culture to happiness Dr Michael Dockery, Curtin University
12.55 – 1.55pm	Networking Lunch		
2.00 – 3.00pm	Is VET the panacea we think it is? Dr Hielke Buddelmeyer & Dr Cain Polidano, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, University of Melbourne		
3.00 – 4.00pm	Panel session Realising our potential: where to now? Chair: Professor Peter Shergold, Chancellor, University of Western Sydney and Chair, NCVER Board Panellists: Dr Robert Simons, Principal Research Fellow, Australian Council for Educational Research Professor Peter Dawkins, Vice-Chancellor and President, Victoria University Ms Kate Davidson, Chief Executive Officer, Community Colleges Australia Discussion from the floor		
4.00pm	Closing remarks Mr Rod Camm, NCVER		

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