



DISABILITY, HUMAN RIGHTS & SOCIAL EQUITY CONFERENCE

3-5 February 2016

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Wednesday 3rd February: Opening Cultural Event

6pm to 8pm

The Lightwell, Australian Centre for the Moving Image, Federation Square

Melbourne VIC 3000 | Australia

(Enter from Flinders Street)

Organised in conjunction with **Arts Access Victoria**, the conference will be launched by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Melbourne, **Professor Glyn Davis AO**, at a special cultural event featuring the Chair of Attitude Foundation and former Australian Disability Discrimination Commissioner, **Graeme Innes AM**, and Arts Access performers including **Weave Movement Theatre**, a hybrid dance and theatre performance company comprising people with and without disabilities.

This is a free event open to conference participants and the general public, but registration is essential

Please register via <http://msei-conf-launch.eventbrite.com.au>

Conference – Day 1 | Thursday | 4th February 2016 | 8:30am to 6pm

and

Conference – Day 2 | Friday | 5th February 2016 | 8:30am to 5pm

will be held at

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The conference program follows ...

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8.30	Registration			
9.00	OPENING PLENARY SESSION Welcome to Country			
9.20	Opening Address: Susan Ryan AO, Australian Age and Disability Discrimination Commissioner			
9.30	Keynote Address: Charlotte McClain-Nhlapo, Disability Advisor in the Social, Urban, Rural and Resilience Global Practice of the World Bank Group <i>Topic to be confirmed</i>			
10.30	MORNING TEA			
11.00 - 12.30	Session 1A Access and Employment Issues	Session 1B Discrimination and Justice Issues	Session 1C The National Disability Insurance Scheme	Session 1D Symposium 1: Social and Economic Participation
11.00	Accessibility modelling for people with mobility impairments <i>Marcus White</i> [20 Mins]	Respect for Home and Family – giving effect to Article 23 for mothers with disabilities in the family justice system in Australia <i>Lee Ann Bassar</i> [20 Mins]	An Opportunity not an Obligation: The limits of social equity rights in the Australian housing market <i>Andrew Martel</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 1 Social and economic participation and the mental health of people with disabilities: An overview <i>Anne Kavanagh, Zoe Aitken, Lauren Krnjacki, Joanna Mithen, Rebecca Bentley, Andrew Beer, Emma Baker, Tony LaMontagne</i> [20 Mins]
11.20	Energy spending and disabilities: why are households with disabilities overrepresented amongst the fuel poor? <i>Damian Sullivan</i> [20 Mins]	Disability & Sexual Expression: From the personal to the political through a human rights framework <i>Jacki Brown</i> [10 Mins]	Safeguarding the National Disability Insurance Scheme: Human rights as a fundamental framework <i>Tess McCarthy</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 2 Inequalities in job quality between people with and without disability <i>Tony LaMontagne, Lauren Krnjacki, Allison Milner, Peter Butterworth & Anne Kavanagh</i> [20 Mins]
11.30		Disability Rights: The Need for Safeguards <i>Nurudeen Wasiu Adio</i> [10 Mins]		

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11.40	A balancing act: Disability Support Pension and employment <i>Dina Bowman</i> [20 Mins]	Enabling Disability Discrimination Law <i>Dominique Allen</i> [10 Mins]	Access and Equity in the context of National Disability Insurance Scheme <i>Dini Liyanarachchi</i> [10 Mins]	Paper 3 Employment, psychosocial job quality and the mental health of people with and without disabilities
11.50		Enforceable human rights – Let’s talk about prisoners with disabilities <i>Annegret Kämpf</i> [10 Mins]	Improving accessibility of the National Disability Insurance Scheme appeals process for persons with intellectual disabilities <i>Ndinawe Mtonga</i> [10 Mins]	<i>Allison Milner, Lauren Krnjacki, Peter Butterworth, Zoe Aitken, Rebecca Bentley, Tony Blakely, Anne Kavanagh & Tony LaMontagne</i> [20 Mins]
12.00	URGENT RECTIFICATION! Disability equality can make a business strong as well as having a socially just workplace <i>Nadia Ahmed</i> [10 Mins]	Access to justice for victims of crime with disabilities – are we there yet? <i>Marg Camilleri</i> [10 Mins]	‘Interpreting the National Disability Insurance Scheme legislation in light of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities’: A toolkit for AAT Members undertaking merits review of NDIA decisions <i>Matthew Pierr</i> [10 Mins]	Paper 4 Importance of housing and wealth for the mental health of people with disabilities <i>Anne Kavanagh, Zoe Aitken, Lauren Krnjacki, Allison Milner, Rebecca Bentley, Emma Baker & Tony LaMontagne</i> [20 Mins]
12.10	An impact evaluation of a rights-based approach to disability <i>Michael Palmer</i> [10 Mins]	The evidence for creating enabling environments for people with the communication disability aphasia. <i>Robyn O’Hallan</i> [10 Mins]	The role of therapeutic support in promoting citizenship and human rights in disability practice <i>Marie Sheahan</i> [10 Mins]	
12.30 LUNCH				
1.30	PLENARY SESSION Professor Keith McVilly, Professorial Fellow in Disability and Inclusion, University of Melbourne <i>Topic to be confirmed</i>			
2.00	Rosemary Kayess, Senior Research Fellow, Social Policy Research Centre, University of New South Wales <i>‘Deconstructing’ the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</i>			
2.30 AFTERNOON TEA				

3.00 - 4.30	Session 2A Conflict, Violence and the Right to Safety	Session 2B Governance and Service Provision	Session 2C Creative Arts	Session 2D Symposium 2: Supported Decision-Making & Mental Health
3.00	How can we uphold rights to safety and justice for women with disabilities? Good practice examples addressing the inequities shown in research. <i>Jen Hargrave</i> [20 Mins]	Engaging people with Younger Onset Dementia in service development: the Banksia Support Group <i>Seuwandi Wickramasinghe</i> [20 Mins]	Arts and Disability – Who’s Work Is It? <i>Veronica Pardo</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 1 Support to Exercise Legal Capacity: Findings from Focus Groups <i>Bernadette McSherry</i> [20 Mins]
3.20	W-DARE peer facilitated Participatory Action Groups: increasing demand for sexual and reproductive health rights for women with disability in the Philippines <i>Alex Devine</i> [20 Mins]	Building Inclusive Communities: A Local Government Perspective <i>Maureen D’Arcy</i> [20 Mins]	Paying More Than Lip-Service to Creative Equality <i>Wendy O’Neill</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 2 Perspectives on Supported Decision: Making from Mental Health Service Providers <i>Lisa Brophy</i> [20 Mins]
3.40	From Paternalism to Protection: Examining Prospects for a Disability-cognizant IHL Narrative <i>Janet Lord</i> [20 Mins]	Guide dogs for allsorts: Measuring the impact of intervention <i>Lil Deverell</i> [20 Mins]	Comedy and Performing the Rights of Psychiatric Disability <i>Mary Luckhurst</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 3 Perspectives on Supported Decision-Making from People Diagnosed with Severe Mental Health Problems and Carers Supporting Them <i>Lisa Brophy, Audrey Statham and Renata Kokanovic</i> [20 Mins]
4.00	Are women and men with disabilities at greater risk of experiencing interpersonal violence? <i>Anne Kavanagh</i> [20 Mins]	Promotion of human rights and social justice for persons with disabilities by religious means: the role and contribution of Zakat in Malaysia <i>Ikmal Hisham Md. Tah</i> [20 Mins]	Diversity and the importance of seeing ourselves on screen <i>Sarah Barton</i> [10 Mins]	Paper 4 Supported Decision-Making Laws in the Republic of Ireland <i>Piers Gooding</i> [20 Mins]

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4.20		Promoting disability inclusion in religious organisations and places of worship: case studies from Australia and India <i>Nathan Grills</i> [10 Mins]		
4.30 - 6	WELCOME RECEPTION AND POSTER DISPLAY			

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8.30	Registration			
9.00	PLENARY SESSION Keynote Address – Emeritus Professor Ron McCallum AO, University of Sydney, former Chair, United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities <i>The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Monitoring Committee: A Domestic and International Analysis</i>			
10.10 - 11.20	Session 3A Mental Health	Session 3B Education, Training and Research	Session 3C: Symposium 3: Language, Literacy and Behaviour	Session 3D Symposium 4: Music
10.10	Australia's Evolving Revolution in Mental Health Law <i>Sascha Callaghan</i> [20 Mins]	Equitable provisions for students with disabilities: Determining what's reasonable <i>Shiralee Poed</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 1 Language, literacy, behaviour, and opportunities to learn: The communication profiles of at-risk Victorian primary school students <i>Hannah Stark, Patricia Eadie, Pamela Snow & Nancy Sidoti</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 1 Music to support development and family relationships for young children with special needs <i>Grace Thompson</i> [20 Mins]
10.30	Protecting rights with (less than perfect) mental health legislation <i>Christopher Ryan</i> [20 Mins]	Empowerment, participation and identity – the impacts and experiences of involvement in participatory action research according to women with disability in the Philippines <i>Liz Gill-Atkinson</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 2 Language skills in incarcerated young offenders: An exploration of the verbal profiles of young people from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds <i>Pamela Snow, Martine Powell, Monique Mather & Mary Woodward</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 2 Music Matters for Inclusion in Schools <i>Katrina McFerran</i> [20 Mins]

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10.50	Human rights, psychiatry and the law - what needs to change? <i>Heather Barnett</i> [10 Mins]	Severe Intellectual Disability, Human Rights, and Social Equity in the Classroom <i>Jocelyn Cleghorn</i> [10 Mins]	Paper 3 Supporting the language skills of young offenders in custodial education: Engaging vulnerable populations <i>Nathaniel Swain, Patricia Eadie, & Pamela Snow</i> [20 Mins]	Paper 3 Music to address social connectedness for young people transitioning from school <i>Melissa Murphy</i> [20 Mins]
11.00	Finding light in the tunnel: Healing through complementary medicine use and tertiary education, among Victorian people with mental illness. <i>Tass Holmes</i> [10 Mins]	Enabling Women with Disabilities <i>Sharon Granek</i> [20 Mins]		
11.20 MORNING TEA				
11.40 - 12.40	Session 4A Health Matters	Session 4B Supporters/Carers	Session 4C Legal and Financial Issues	Session 4D Symposium 5: Acquired Brain Injury and Criminal Justice
11.40	Apparently we have human rights to health? Health and human rights frameworks of people with disabilities in Victoria <i>Raelene West</i> [20 Mins]	The Role of the Supporters in the Self-Advocacy Groups of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities <i>Yuyu Wang</i> [20 Mins]	Financial issues for people with disabilities <i>John Berrill</i> [40 Mins]	Paper 1 Theoretical and methodological framework of the project <i>Penelope Weller</i> [20 Mins]
12.00	Dementia and the Social Model of Disability: What are the conceptual, policy and research implications? <i>Ashley Carr</i> [20 Mins]	Developing a new service model for children with a disability: What do parents want? <i>Elise Davis</i> [20 Mins]		Paper 2 The lived experience of people with ABI in the criminal justice system in Victoria <i>Jessica Richter</i> [20 Mins]

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12.40	LUNCH			
1.30	<p>PLENARY SESSION</p> <p>Professor Mary Crock, Professor of Public Law, University of Sydney <i>Making Every Life Count: International Law and the Protection of Persons with Disabilities in Displacement</i></p>			
2.00	<p>Panel Discussion hosted by Professor Anne Kavanagh, Melbourne School of Population and Global Health, University of Melbourne <i>Where to for Disability Research?</i></p> <p>Panel: Katharine Annear, John Berrill, Leonard Clarke and Cath Roper</p>			
3.30	AFTERNOON TEA			
4.00	<p>CLOSING PLENARY SESSION</p> <p>Dr Anna Arstein-Kerslake, Co-ordinator of the University of Melbourne’s Disability Research Initiative will lead a discussion of the conference themes with keynote speakers, Charlotte McClain-Nhlapo and Emeritus Professor Ron McCallum.</p> <p>This will be followed by a performance by the Stroke A Chord Choir.</p>			