

# **Social Inclusion and Exclusion of Culturally Diverse Communities: Strategies and Experiences**

**Friday August 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

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The aim of this conference is to bring together migrant and refugee communities, service providers, State and Federal Government agencies, community groups, education providers, employers, unions, and academics to identify:

- The reasons for and nature of social exclusion of migrant and refugee communities
- Policies and practices that lead to the social inclusion of migrant and refugee communities.

The conference aims to be as inclusive as possible and to allow participation by members of the community that may be alienated by a traditional academic format. To facilitate this, the conference will employ:

1. An extended period of community consultation in which different groups will be briefed on the focus areas of the conference and given time to nominate speakers and prepare considered positions to the topics.
2. A format more flexible than the traditional academic format including theatre, showcase and workshop sessions and opportunities for continued informal discussion after the scheduled sessions.

This conference will be based around five key themes:

1. Employment, education and training
2. Housing
3. Social health and wellbeing for both migrant/refugee and host communities
4. Family and relationship sustainability
5. Racism and law enforcement.

A Panel Discussion will be held on each of these five themes across the two days of the conference. The Panel Discussions will aim to include the experiences of a range of people, including practitioners, community members, NGOs, Government Agencies, institutional representatives, and academics.

Expressions of interest are invited from individuals willing to participate as panel members in the Panel Discussion. Please forward your expression of interest of no more than 250 words to Jade Hallam (details below).

Please include the following details in your expression of interest:

- \* Name, title, affiliations and contact details
- \* Theme of interest
- \* Details of your experience as it relates to this theme
- \* Key issues, questions or programs to be explored.

In addition to the Panel Discussions, three series of parallel sessions will be held and will include a combination of academic papers, issues papers, showcases and workshops.

Academic papers and Issues papers

20 minute presentation followed by ten minutes for questions and discussion. Papers in the academic stream may be refereed or non-refereed.

Showcases

Presentations of successful programs and practices in the areas of diversity and inclusion. 20 minute presentation followed by ten minutes for questions and discussion.

Workshops

60 or 90 minute workshops focused on skill development.

We are currently inviting papers for the parallel sessions which address the five key conference themes. Papers and presentations are also welcome on theories and practice of social inclusion and exclusion.

To participate in the parallel sessions, please submit an abstract of no more than 250 words. Include the following information:

- Names, titles and affiliations of all authors
- Names of presenters
- Contact details of presenters
- Type of presentation
- If academic paper, preference for inclusion in a refereed or non-refereed process.
- If workshop, preference for 60 or 90 minute time slot.

If you wish to submit an abstract for consideration by the Program Committee, you must also intend to [register](#) for the Conference.

<b>Registration Type</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Nominated community representatives*	No Charge
Academics	\$300
Government service providers (corporate)	\$300
Community service providers & groups	\$150
Students/ unemployed/ low income	\$50

\* please contact Matthew Hingston for more details.

**Notes:** We are happy to negotiate bulk rates if several members wish to attend from one organization. A single ticket is transferable between members of an organization for alternate days.

Further Information: <http://www.adcet.edu.au/diversity>

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