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Message from ANZSOG
Dean and CEO
Professor Ken Smith

Welcome to Reimagining Public Administration: First Peoples, governance and new paradigms.

Improving public policy for First Peoples is the great unfinished business of Australian and New Zealand governments.

There have been some success stories, but our governments have struggled to overcome historical ignorance and ongoing entrenched prejudices to deliver for Indigenous communities.

To change that, we need to rethink how we approach Indigenous Affairs and how we can develop new partnerships with Indigenous communities. This must involve incorporating Indigenous knowledge and culture into policy and practice, and employing Indigenous people at all levels of our public services.

On behalf of ANZSOG I’d like to welcome you to what will be an opportunity to explore how we build a public service that listens to Indigenous communities, respects their concerns, values, knowledge and includes Indigenous people in policy and program design, development and delivery.

Our October 2017 conference Indigenous Affairs and Public Administration: Can’t we do better? – also held with the support of the Australian Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet – brought together over 250 public servants, academics and Indigenous representatives to discuss the last fifty years of Indigenous affairs policy and begin a dialogue about how we could move forward.

The 2019 conference will continue that dialogue, with a renewed focus on the future. It will be about sharing ideas and challenging governments to do better. It is a chance to really listen to Indigenous perspectives and work out how policy and service systems can work more closely with Indigenous communities.

We need public services to broaden their knowledge of Indigenous people and use that knowledge to drive change. We also need to recognise the contribution Indigenous people are already making as policy makers and academics in this space.

At ANZSOG we are embarking on our own journey of transformation. We hope to better respect and support Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Māori culture and heritage, and to do our part to achieve a better representation of Indigenous history and culture and better understanding of their history and culture.

We want to play our part in building strong Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Māori leadership in the public sector.

I trust you will find the conference stimulating and leave with an enhanced understanding of the future direction of Indigenous affairs, and practical ideas for change, no matter where you work.

Professor Ken Smith
CEO and Dean, ANZSOG
Welcome

Welcome to Reimagining Public Administration: First Peoples, Governance and New Paradigms. We hope you find the conference stimulating and engaging. Should you have any queries during the conference, please drop by the helpdesk or ask any ANZSOG staff (wearing a red ANZSOG t-shirt), who will be pleased to assist you.

Getting Here

By Public Transport
Federation Square is located conveniently opposite Flinders St Station, and is in the Free Tram Zone. If you are travelling by train, bus or trams (from outside the Free Tram Zone) you must purchase a Myki card from a newsagency, 7 Eleven convenience store or a major train station. A single full fare is $6 (concession $3).

How to purchase a Myki:

Free Tram Zone map:

PTV Journey Planner:

By Taxi
If you are catching a taxi to the venue, outside the Atrium on Flinders St will be a convenient location. The Russell Street extension is also a good drop-off point, but you will need to enter Deakin Edge through The Atrium, as the side entrances will be closed. If you are catching a taxi to your accommodation or the airport, the nearest rank is Flinders St Station (Swanston St exit).

By Car
The entrance to the Federation Square carpark is at the end of the Russell St extension, or off Batman Ave.

Fee information and to book a parking bay online:
http://fedsquare.com/parking

Accessibility
All the conference spaces are wheelchair accessible. Federation Square has a marked access path, with the best entrance from Swanston St. There are also accessible parking spaces with a lift from the carpark.

There are accessible amenities in The Atrium (next to Kirra Galleries); on the galleries level, level 1, and inside gallery 1 at ACMI; and next to Time Out café in Federation Square.

Hearing loops are provided in The Atrium, Deakin Edge and in The Square, as well as from the tickets and information desk at ACMI (please show your conference lanyard).

Guide Dogs are welcome at all venues. Markers are on the floor before each step to show a change of level on the ground at ACMI.

If you require accessibility assistance, let the ANZSOG helpdesk know at registration or email Jacqui at j.mazibrada@anzsog.edu.au ahead of time.

http://fedsquare.com/accessibility
https://www.acmi.net.au/visit/accessibility/

Arrival and Registration
At registration, you will be issued a lanyard. Please wear your lanyard throughout the conference, as it contains a mini fold-out program and will be your quickest source of information. Many of our sessions are interactive, so your lanyards will help speakers, staff and your colleagues to identify you.

Your lanyard will also contain your dinner registration identification, so make sure to bring your lanyard along to ZINC restaurant if you have registered for the dinner.

NB: Only delegates who have preregistered for dinner can attend, as the restaurant is at capacity.

Helpdesk
The ANZSOG helpdesk will be in front of Deakin Edge in the Atrium, where the registration desk will be on Day 1. We will be happy to assist with any queries about lost property, venues, conference dinner or other miscellaneous requests.
Parallel streams
Thank you for expressing your interest via our parallel stream sessions survey. Your preferences have helped us allocate different sessions to appropriate venues. Please note: entry to parallel stream sessions are on a first-come, first-serve basis, and your expression of interest does not guarantee a seat. We advise that if you are interested in a stream session to please go to the venue as soon as possible.

Yarning Space
A dedicated Yarning Space is available on Level 2 of the Yarra Building (The Koorie Heritage Trust) in the Yarra Building next to Deakin Edge. It will be open from lunch time Wednesday and all delegates are encouraged to use the space for debate, reflection or to catch up with inter-state colleagues over lunch. Coffee/tea will also be available.

On Thursday from 8–9am the space will be open for a special yarning session with representatives from the Churchill Fellowship Trust, Atlantic Fellows, the Poche Leadership Program, BetterEvaluation, the Aurora Foundation and the Analysis and Policy Observatory. These organisations will also be available for discussions during lunch breaks at 1–2pm on Day 1 and Day 2.

Sli.do
Some sessions may use Sli.do, an interactive comment and question tool. We recommend you bring a device or your mobile with you to access Sli.do, allowing you to participate in discussions. When a session is using this service, go to slido.com and enter the event code given on the day.

Cultural Tours
Cultural Tours will run from 8.00–9.00am and 1.00–2.00pm on Thursday 21 February. These tours are optional activities and will operate on a first-come, first-served basis. Spaces are limited to the first 150. So please ensure you sign up in advance. Further information about the tours including how to sign up will be available at the ANZSOG helpdesk.

Smoking
As of November 2017, Federation Square is a non-smoking precinct. There are designated smoking areas outside the Fed Square precinct marked by signs – please ask security, visitor services or the ANZSOG helpdesk for directions to these zones.

Wi-Fi
Wi-Fi information will be given to you at registration. Please see the helpdesk if you are having trouble connecting.

Meals
Coffee and tea will be served on arrival each day. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea are also provided to all delegates. All food will be served at Deakin Edge, but you are welcome to take food into The Atrium (directly outside) and into the Yarning Space. For those who have registered and paid for the conference dinner, it will take place on Wednesday night from 6.30pm at ZINC Restaurant.

Dress code
The dress code for the Conference and Conference dinner is business casual.

Emergency Procedures
In case of fire or other emergency, please make your way to the nearest exit. Follow the exit signs and make your way to the assembly point given.

There is always a registered first aider onsite at Federation Square. Please see the helpdesk or find an ANZSOG or Federation Square member of staff if you require assistance.

The free Australian emergency number for police, ambulance and fire brigade is 000 or 112 from a mobile.

For non-emergencies, the closest facilities are:

Doctor (bulk billed)
Collins GP
2 Collins St
Melbourne 3000
T: +61 3 9654 9135
Open: Mon–Fri 9.00am–6.00pm

Doctor (fee paying)
Midtown Medical Clinic
Level 4, 250 Collins St
Melbourne 3000
T: +61 3 9650 4284
Open: Mon–Fri 8.00–6.00pm

Chemist
Chemist Warehouse
Manchester Unity Building
220/226 Collins St
Melbourne 3000
T: +61 3 9654 8569
Open: Mon–Fri 7.30am–9.00pm
CONFEERENCE PROGRAM
# Reimagining public administration: First Peoples, governance and new paradigms

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

### DAY 01

#### WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2019

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- Reimagining Relationships
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- Reimagining Knowledge Systems
# DAY 02

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SPEAKERS

**Professor Ian Anderson AO**

Professor Anderson is the Deputy Secretary for Indigenous Affairs at the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. He was previously the Foundation Chair, Indigenous Higher Education; Pro Vice-Chancellor (Engagement) at the University of Melbourne and the Foundation Chair of Indigenous Health, also at the University of Melbourne. Professor Anderson has held a number of academic, policy and practice roles in Indigenous health over a thirty-year period.

Professor Anderson was awarded the Order of Australia medal in 2017 for distinguished service to the Indigenous community, particularly in the areas of health equality, aged care and education, as an academic, researcher and medical practitioner, to policy reform, and as a role model.

SESSION
The politics of data
4.00-5.30pm Wednesday

**Lil Anderson**

Lil Anderson (Te Rarawa and Ngapuhi) is currently Deputy Secretary, Crown/Māori Relations Roopū at the Ministry of Justice.

Lil is responsible for the Office of Treaty Settlements, the Settlement Commitments Unit, Māori Crown Relations Unit and Marine & Coastal Area team.

Lil has more than 25 years’ experience spanning the public service and wider state sector. Authentic leadership, vision and strategy, problem solving and driving results have been key features of her career to date.

She is originally from Panguru in the Hokianga in New Zealand.

SESSION
International perspectives on Indigenous Affairs
11.30am-1.00pm Wednesday
Public service reform
4.00-5.30pm Wednesday

**Ricky Archer**

Ricky Archer is a Djungan man from the Western Tablelands region of North Queensland. He has a strong network of on-ground land and sea managers across northern Australia to draw from and has demonstrated an ability to connect on-ground work of Indigenous organisations with regional, state and commonwealth priorities.

Ricky has been actively involved and engaged on the Indigenous Advisory Committee since 2014 and has built good relationships with current members on the Committee. The Indigenous Advisory Committee (IAC) is an expert group who provide advice to the Minister for the Environment on the operation of the EPBC Act, taking into account the significance of Indigenous peoples’ knowledge of the management of land and the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.

Ricky was also a member of the National Landcare Advisory Committee which provided further connections to the work of the Indigenous Advisory Committee. He has a background in geographical information systems, Indigenous knowledge management, and natural & cultural resource management.

SESSION
Land, water and environment
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday
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Jason Ardler PSM
Jason’s cultural ties are to the Yuin people of the New South Wales south coast. As head of Aboriginal Affairs New South Wales, he is leading Aboriginal affairs strategy and reform across such diverse areas as economic participation, community governance, land rights, culture and heritage, community safety, environmental health and service accountability.

Jason is responsible for the delivery of OCHRE, the NSW Government’s Aboriginal affairs plan, which emphasizes healing, Aboriginal language revitalisation and regional agreement making.

Prior to joining Aboriginal Affairs, Jason was Executive Director, Culture and Heritage in the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) and that department’s lead executive on Aboriginal affairs.

Jason was awarded the Public Service Medal (PSM) in the 2018 Queen’s Birthday Honours for outstanding public service to Indigenous people in NSW.

SESSION
Power-sharing between governments and communities
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday

Dr Stephen Arnott PSM
Dr Arnott is the First Assistant Secretary, Arts, in the Department of Communications and the Arts. Stephen has 15 years’ experience in the Australian Public Service in arts, screen, creative industries, communications and technology policy areas. He has also worked as a ministerial advisor.

Stephen was promoted to the Senior Executive Service in 2009. He was awarded a Public Service Medal in 2005 for his work reforming Australia’s symphony orchestras.

Previously Stephen helped run a small business providing data security services to corporate clients in Sydney. Stephen has a Doctorate in French Philosophy from the University of New England where he lectured in both philosophy and psychology for a number of years.

SESSION
Arts and culture
11.30am–1.00pm Thursday

Dr Daryn Bean
Dr Bean is deputy chief executive Māori, with the New Zealand Qualifications Authority. He has extensive public sector experience at the interface of Māori development and brings high level relationship management skills, strategy and leadership development capabilities in the areas of education, international business and community development.

From Te Arawa, Daryn gained his Doctorate in Government from Victoria University of Wellington specialising in Māori leadership practice in the New Zealand public sector. He holds an Executive Masters in Public Administration from ANZSOG and post-graduate degree in management and a Bachelor of Business Studies degree from Massey University.

SESSION
Indigenous leaders in the public service
2.00–3.30pm Wednesday

Leilani Bin-Juda PSM
Leilani is of Torres Strait Islander heritage. With an extensive career in the Australian Public Service spanning 24 years, she has policy and program experience across international relations, health, fisheries, crime prevention and the arts and cultural industry.

Leilani is a career officer with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and is currently the Torres Strait Treaty Liaison Officer and has previously served overseas as First Secretary (Political/Gender/Sports Diplomacy), Papua New Guinea; Adviser (Economic Governance) to the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands; and Manager of Australia’s Cultural Program at the Shanghai World Expo 2010.

Leilani is responsible for the day-to-day implementation of the Australia-Papua New Guinea Torres Strait Treaty in accordance with the border protection and bilateral objectives identified in the 2017 Foreign Policy White Paper.

In 2000, she was awarded the Peter Mitchell Churchill Fellowship and examined Indigenous participation in museum development and governance structures drawing on models in New Zealand, Canada, and the United States. In 2019, she was awarded a Public Service Medal.

SESSION
Opening remarks
9.30–10.00am Wednesday
Closing remarks
2.00–3.30pm Thursday
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Denise Bowden

Denise is a born-and-bred Northern Territory Indigenous woman with an extensive knowledge base stemming from her background working in Indigenous affairs in the more remote pockets of Australia’s north. She is the CEO of the Yothu Yindi Foundation (YYF) and has worked for the past nine years with Yolngu clans of north-east Arnhem Land. She is also Director of the annual Garma Festival.

As CEO, Denise’s focus has been on Indigenous education reform, carrying the instruction and directive of a Yolngu Board. She has worked at a grass roots level with Yolngu clans and organisations developing a preferred Yolngu model of governance with the Commonwealth government on Empowered Communities.

Prior to her work at YYF and Garma, Denise has held a number of senior management positions and non-Executive local committee positions. Denise has extensive experience working for previous Northern Territory Chief Ministers, and Indigenous Ministers within the Northern Territory government.

SESSION
Lessons from the community: What they want you to know
11.30am-1.00pm Thursday

Associate Professor Morgan Brigg

Associate Professor Brigg is Senior Lecturer in the School of Political Science and International Studies at the University of Queensland. He is a specialist in conflict resolution, peacebuilding, governance, development and innovative approaches to cross-cultural relations and the politics of knowledge. His work facilitates exchange between Western and Indigenous political philosophies and governance as part of a wider exploration of the politics of cultural difference, governance and selfhood.

Associate Professor Brigg’s books include The New Politics of Conflict Resolution: Responding to Difference, Mediating across Difference: Oceanic and Asian Approaches to Conflict Resolution (co-edited), and Unsettling the Settler State: Creativity and Resistance in Indigenous–Settler State Governance (co-edited).

SESSION
International perspectives on Indigenous Affairs
11.30am-1.00pm Wednesday

Professor Tom Calma AO

Professor Calma is an Aboriginal Elder from the Kungarakan tribal group and a member of the Iwaidja tribal group whose traditional lands are south west of Darwin and on the Cobourg Peninsula in the Northern Territory of Australia, respectively.

Professor Calma’s APS career spanned 38 years retiring in 2010. He is now a consultant to Commonwealth Heath undertaking the role of National Coordinator, Tackling Indigenous Smoking in the fight against tobacco use by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. He is also a Professor (0.4 FTE) at the University of Sydney Medical School performing the role of Chair and Patron of the Poche Indigenous Health Network.


SESSION
Public service reform
4.00-5.30pm Wednesday

Adrian Carson

Adrian Carson is the CEO of the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health (UIIH)

Adrian leads the development and integration of health and wellbeing services to Australia’s largest and fastest growing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population in South East Queensland.

Adrian has served as Chief Executive Officer of the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC), the Queensland peak body for Community Controlled Health Services, and held senior positions in Queensland Health and the Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing. He has held various Board appointments at local, regional, state and national levels of both mainstream and Community Controlled, including the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service (ATSICHS) Brisbane and Health Workforce Queensland. Adrian is currently a Board Member of the Metro North Health & Hospital Service (Queensland Health) in Brisbane.

Adrian holds a Graduate Certificate in Health Service Management from Griffith University and is completing a Master of Business Administration from The University of Queensland.

SESSION
Health systems free of racism and inequity
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday
Professor Len Collard

Professor Collard is an Australian Research Council Chief Investigator with the School of Indigenous Studies at the University of Western Australia. He has a background in literature and communications and his research interests are in the area of Aboriginal Studies, including Nyungar interpretive histories and Nyungar theoretical and practical research models.

Professor Collard has conducted research funded by the Australian Research Council, the National Trust of Western Australia, the Western Australian Catholic Schools and the Swan River Trust, Community Arts Network WA, Lowitja Foundation and many other organisations. His research has allowed the broadening of the understanding of the many unique language characteristics of Australia’s Aboriginal people and has contributed enormously to improving the appreciation of Aboriginal culture and heritage of the Southwest of Australia. His groundbreaking theoretical work has put Nyungar cultural research on the local, national and international stages. Finally Len is a Whadjuk Nyungar elder and who is a respected Traditional Owner of the Perth Metropolitan area and surrounding lands, rivers, swamps ocean and it’s culture.

SESSION
Year of Indigenous languages
9.30–11.00am Thursday

Dr Vicki Couzens

Dr Couzens is Gunditjmara from the Western Districts of Victoria. She acknowledges her ancestors and elders who guide her work.

Dr Couzens has worked in Aboriginal community affairs for almost 40 years. Her contributions in the reclamation, regeneration and revitalisation of cultural knowledge and practice extend across the ‘arts and creative cultural expression’ spectrum including language revitalisation, ceremony, community arts, public art, visual and performing arts, and writing. She is a Senior Knowledge Custodian for Possum Skin Cloak Story and Language Reclamation and Revival in her Keerray Woorroong Mother Tongue.

Dr Couzens is employed at RMIT as a Vice Chancellors Indigenous Research Fellow developing her Project ‘watnanda koong meerreeng , tyama-ngan malayeetoo (together body and country, we know long time)’ The key objective of this Project is to produce model/s, pathways and resources for continuing the reinvigoration of Aboriginal Ways of Knowing Being and Doing with a special focus on language revitalisation.

SESSION
Year of Indigenous languages
9.30–11.00am Thursday

Franchesca Cubillo

Franchesca is the Senior Curator Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art at the National Gallery of Australia and has worked in the museum and art gallery sector for the last 30 years. She was employed in several state and national institutions throughout Australia, including the South Australia Museum, the National Museum of Australia, and the Museum & Art Gallery of the Northern Territory and more recently the National Gallery of Australia. She is a Churchill Fellow, has a Bachelor of Arts degree with Honours’ in Anthropology and is a PhD candidate with the Australian National University.

Franchesca has written extensively, presented lectures and keynote addresses (national & international forums) on subjects such as the repatriation of Australian Indigenous ancestral remains, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art and Culture, and Australian Indigenous Museology and Curatorship.

Originating from Darwin, she is a Yanyuwa, Larrakia, Bardji, and Wardaman woman from the ‘Top End’ region of Australia and is the Inaugural Chair of the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair Foundation since 2010.

SESSION
Arts and culture
11.30–1.00pm Thursday
(Facilitator)

Professor Glyn Davis AC

Professor Davis teaches and researches in the field of public policy and is a Distinguished Professor of Political Science at the Australian National University and Chair of the ANZSOG Research Committee. Since 2018, Professor Davis has also been elected a Visiting Fellow at the Blavatnik School of Government and a Visiting Fellow at Exeter College, Oxford.

Professor Davis has had a distinguished career in higher education as Vice-Chancellor of Griffith University and the University of Melbourne. His public-sector service includes terms as the Director-General of the Department of Premier and Cabinet in Queensland, and as Foundation Chair of the Australia and New Zealand School of Government.

He is a Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia and a Companion in the Order of Australia. He has served as Chair of the Group of Eight and Chair of Universities Australia.


SESSION
Public service reform
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday
Michelle Deshong

Michelle Deshong is from Townsville, North Queensland and draws her connection to Kuku Yulanji nation. She has completed a BA with First Class Honours in Political Science and Indigenous studies and is working on her PhD (on the participation of Aboriginal women in public and political life) at James Cook University. Michelle is currently the CEO of the Australian Indigenous Governance Institute.

Michelle has worked in both the Government and NGO sectors, and has held many senior leadership roles and she currently holds a number of directorship roles in the Not for Profit sector, including the Supply Nation Board, Thirrili and the OXFAM Indigenous Advisory Council. In 2013 Michelle was named in the Australian Financial Review/Westpac 100 Women of Influence Awards.

Michelle has extensive experience in areas of leadership, governance and politics. She has a strong commitment to human rights and has also been an NGO representative on many occasions at the United Nations forums on the Commission on the Status of Women and Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women. She has a strong background in gender equality and works to ensure that the voices of Indigenous women are represented at all levels.

SESSION
The politics of data
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday
(Facilitator)

Dr Karen Diver

Dr Diver is currently serving as the inaugural Faculty Fellow for Inclusive Excellence for Native American Affairs at the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minnesota.

She was an appointee of President Obama as the Special Assistant to the President for Native American Affairs. As part of the Domestic Policy Council, she assisted with inter-agency efforts, policy and regulatory changes to benefit 567 Native American Tribes. Karen served in this position from November 2015 until the end of the Administration.

Dr Diver served as Chairwoman of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa from 2007–2015. This elected position serves as chair of the tribal government and CEO of the reservation’s corporate boards. The Fond du Lac Reservation is the 2nd largest employer in northern Minnesota with over 2,200 employees.

She has a Bachelors in Economics from the University of Minnesota, Duluth, and as a 2002 Bush Leadership Fellow, she received a Masters in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

SESSIONS
International perspectives on Indigenous Affairs
11.30am-1.00pm Wednesday
Lessons from the community: What they want you to know
11.30am-1.00pm Thursday
(Facilitator)

Peter Te Matakahere Douglas

Peter has worked in government, including at the highest levels in the New Zealand Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. For more than twelve years he ran a complicated organisation, Te Ohu Kaimoana Trustee Ltd – the Māori Fisheries Trust, which achieved outstanding settlement results in areas where very few others could have.

Peter has been a General Manager in the Department of Child Youth and Family; Senior Advisor in the Ministry of Social Development and began his working career as a Social Worker in the Department of Social Welfare. He has also held senior roles in Business Banking for Westpac Banking Corporation.

In 2015 he was appointed by Government to the Expert Advisory Panel Inquiry into Modernising the Department of Child Youth and Family. He was one of the negotiators to settle the Ngati Maniapoto Treaty Claim with the Crown, after leading the mandating process in 2016.

He has a degree in Social Science from Waikato University (B.Soc.Sci 1986) and a Master’s degree in Public Administration from Harvard University (MPA 1994).

SESSION
Treaty
2.00–3.30pm Wednesday

Miranda Edwards

Miranda is a Noongar woman from Collie, Western Australia, who has lived in the Victorian town of Shepparton for 13 years. She has been the CEO of Lullas Children and Family Centre for 120 Indigenous children, for the past 11 years and the Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (LAECG) Chair for the Goulburn Valley Area for 5 years. She has worked with the Department of Education and local teachers to develop a First Nations Curriculum (Kialla Dhungala), which was presented at the World Indigenous Peoples conference in Toronto in 2017.

Miranda is proud of the Koori Year 12 Graduation Ceremony in Shepparton, which has seen a total of 100 Koori students and their families celebrate this achievement over three years, with another 67 expected this year. She is heavily involved in her community’s junior sport and is an advocate for increasing Aboriginal attendance at kinders and child care. Miranda is also Chair of Bangerang Cultural Centre – the first Aboriginal Cultural ‘keeping place/museum’. The Centre houses an important collection of artefacts and artworks from Aboriginal communities across Australia, whilst focusing on local communities of the Murray and Goulburn Valleys.

SESSION
Culture is education
11.30am–1.00pm Thursday
Reimagining public administration: First Peoples, governance and new paradigms
CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Jill Gallagher AO
Jill commenced as Victorian Treaty Advancement Commissioner at the start of 2018. A proud Gunditjmara woman, Jill is a highly respected Victorian Aboriginal leader who has dedicated her life to advocating for self-determination outcomes on behalf of the Victorian Aboriginal community. She has spent the past 20 years advancing Aboriginal health and wellbeing on behalf of the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation, including 14 years as CEO. Jill was recognised for her outstanding contribution to community when she was inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women in 2009, awarded the Order of Australia in 2013, and inducted into the Victorian Aboriginal Honour Roll in 2015.

SESSION
Treaty
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday

Mick Gooda
Mick Gooda’s people are the Ghungalu from the Dawson Valley in Central Queensland. He has spent the last 30 years advocating for the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians. He was appointed the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner in February 2010 and held that position until September 2016 when he was appointed Co-Commissioner on the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory. He has undertaken work a wide range of roles such as the CEO of the Cooperative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health, Native Title Consultant with the Western Australian Aboriginal Legal Service and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission, ATSIC. He chaired the Queensland Stolen Wages Reparation Taskforce and the National Centre of Indigenous Genomics and has been a member of the Expert Panel and the Referendum Council which were convened to advise the Federal Government on the Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in the Australian constitution.

SESSION
The voice of children
4.00-5.30pm Wednesday

Adam Goode
There are not many bigger names in Australian sport than Adam Goodes. Dual AFL Brownlow Medalist and premiership player for the Sydney Swans, four-time All-Australian, member of the Indigenous Team of the Century and representative in the International Rules Series, Adam Goodes holds an elite place in Australian Football League’s history. But his career transcends the football field. In 2014, Adam was named the Australian of the Year. This distinguished award recognised Adam’s community work and advocacy in the fight against racism, empowering the next generation of Indigenous Australians. Adam announced his retirement from AFL in September 2015, leaving the field as the Swans’ games record holder on 372, and one of the most decorated players of all time. Some of the many accolades Adam received during his career include: the prestigious Rising Star medal in his debut year (1999); leading his team as co-captain (2009-2012); celebrating premierships (2005 & 2012); and being awarded the AFL’s highest honour of Brownlow Medalist twice (2003 & 2006).

Conference dinner
Keynote speaker
6.30-10.00pm Wednesday

Karla Grant
Karla has dedicated a huge part of her career to working in Indigenous news and current affairs, witnessing and reporting on the shifts in policy and attitude towards Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. She has spent the last 16 years presenting and producing Living Black, Australia’s longest running Indigenous current affairs television program, further demonstrating her commitment to giving Indigenous people a voice.
Karla started at SBS over 20 years ago, as a presenter, producer, reporter and director of the Walkley award-winning ICAM (Indigenous Current Affairs Magazine) program. She was appointed Executive Producer of the network’s Indigenous Media Unit and from there she developed the concept for Living Black and began hosting the program in 2003. For the past 2 and a half years Karla held the position of Executive Producer of NITV’s Indigenous News and Current Affairs, overseeing the editorial for all of its news and current affairs programs.
Karla has also produced TV specials on reconciliation, land rights and the Federal election as well as crafting documentaries on the Survival concerts. She is a proud Arrernte woman and is passionate about giving Indigenous Australians a voice.

Conference MC
Dr Kalinda Griffiths

Dr Griffiths is a Yawuru woman of Broome, born and living in Darwin. Her family name is Corpus. She is an early career Scientia Fellow at the Centre for Big Data Research, University of NSW and holds honorary fellowships at Menzies School of Health Research and the University of Sydney.

She is an epidemiologist who has worked in the research sector for over 20 years. Her interest is in empirically addressing complex health disparities in populations through existing data. Her research currently addresses issues of quality and the utilisation of data pertaining to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Her areas of focus include the measurement of health disparities, with a particular focus on cancer treatment and outcomes.

Kalinda holds a Certificate III in Laboratory Techniques, Bachelor of Biomedical Science, Master of Public Health and a PhD in Cancer Epidemiology.

SESSION
Health systems free of racism and inequity
2.00–3.30pm Wednesday

Michelle Hippolite

Michelle Hippolite, from Waikato, Rongowhakaata and Te Aitanga-a-Māhaki, is the first female Toihautū (Chief Executive) to lead Te Puni Kōkiri (Ministry of Māori Development), a position she has held since 2012.

During this time she has led a transformation of Te Puni Kōkiri so the organisation is focused on supporting the long-term aspirations and outcomes for whānau, hapū and iwi Māori. With more than 20 years of experience in the Public Service and wider State sector, Michelle has held several senior roles. A personal career highlight was providing leadership in government for the establishment of the Māori Television Service that opened in 2004, and constructing strategies for Te Reo Māori.

Michelle is currently the Chair of Te Kura Māori o Porirua and is a Public Sector Trustee on the Diversity Works NZ Trust.

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Opening remarks
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Indigenous leaders in the public service
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Closing remarks
2.00–3.30pm Thursday

Fred Hooper

Fred Hooper is a Murrawarri man from the Murrawarri Nation situated between Bokhara and Warrego Rivers which straddles what is now known as the Queensland and New South Wales borders in the Western part of New South Wales and Southwest of Queensland. He joined the Royal Australian Navy in 1979 at the age of 17 and served six years on both surface ships and submarines.

Fred left the Navy in 1985 and worked in the Commonwealth Public Service. After leaving the Public Service worked in a number of First Nations organisation. He was responsible for the Murrawarri Nation declaring their continued Independence from the Crown of Great Britain.

He is the Chair of the Murrawarri Peoples Council and the Northern Basin Aboriginal Nations who represents 22 Sovereign First Nations of the Northern Murray Darling Basin. He has worked tirelessly over the past 10 years to secure Water Rights for First Nations and their peoples in the Northern Murray Darling Basin.

SESSION
Power-sharing between governments and communities
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday

Brandi Hudson

Since 2011, Brandi has been CEO of the Independent Māori Statutory Board, an organisation which has full voting rights on the Auckland Council.

Brandi provides executive leadership to a board and secretariat that develop innovative and trail-blazing resources and instruments that advance the rights, interests and aspirations of Māori. She works alongside the executive leadership of the Auckland Mayoral office and Auckland Council to influence policy, planning and statutory development and implementation that improves the success and wellbeing of Māori.

Her career experience spans across economic and community development, health and sports, teaching and Treaty of Waitangi settlements sectors.

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Power-sharing between governments and communities
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SESSION
Land, water and environment
2.00–3.30pm Wednesday
Reimagining public administration: First Peoples, governance and new paradigms

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Associate Professor Maui Hudson

Associate Professor Hudson affiliates to the Iwi of Te Whakatohea, Nga Ruahine, and Te Mahurehure. He is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Māori and Indigenous Studies at the University of Waikato.

A-Prof Hudson’s research has an interdisciplinary nature focusing on the application of indigenous knowledge to decision-making across a range of contemporary contexts from new technologies to health, the environment to innovation. He is part of the Senior Leadership Team for Genomics Aotearoa and is part of a proposal to develop a Data Science Strategic Infrastructure Platform.

A-Prof Hudson is one of the founding members of the ‘Te Mana Raraunga Māori Data Sovereignty Network’ and is working closely with International colleagues to advance the understanding of Indigenous Data Sovereignty. He works with government agencies, institutions and tribal organisations to enhance Indigenous Data Governance and develop policies, tools and mechanisms that operationalise Indigenous Data Sovereignty.

SESSION

The politics of data
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday

Horiana Irwin-Easthope

Horiana Irwin-Easthope (Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Kahungunu and Rakaipaaka) is a critical legal thinker with a reputation for hard work. She pushes the status quo to affect change within, and outside of, the legal system to recognise the unique place of whānau, hapū and iwi within Aotearoa New Zealand.

Prior to founding Whāia Legal, a kaupapa Māori law firm, Horiana worked at a large National law firm and a boutique Māori law firm in New Zealand. Horiana specialises in public, constitutional and environmental law. She has particular expertise in collaborating with local and central government in partnership with whānau, hapū and iwi on environmental law reform and projects.

This includes acting on one of two non-Treaty settlement joint management agreements in New Zealand between the Gisborne District Council and Te Runanganui o Ngāti Porou under the Resource Management Act 1991.

SESSION

Land, water and environment
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday

Dr Rawiri Jansen

Dr Rawiri Jansen was formerly a resource teacher of Māori language. He completed his medical training at Middlemore Hospital in South Auckland in 2000, his second attempt at Medical School having interrupted his studies to be an activist and protestor (Māori land, Māori language, Nuclear Free Independent Pacific and 1981 Springbok Tour).

He provided clinical teaching, Te Reo and Tikanga Māori programmes for Māori health professionals throughout the country for several years, and has been Chair of Te Ataarangi Trust (a national Māori language organisation), and of Te Otu Rata o Aotearoa (Māori Medical Practitioners Association). He self-published a medical phrase book in 2006. His current focus is providing clinical leadership towards Māori health equity as a General Practitioner and Clinical Director for a Primary Healthcare Organisation.

SESSION

Health systems free of racism and inequity
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday

Sam Jeffries

Sam Jeffries is a proud First Nations man, having strong connections to Moorawarri and Wiradjuri Peoples of southwest and northwest New South Wales. Born and raised in Brewarrina New South Wales, he is the youngest of even children and he has been involved in Aboriginal Affairs since leaving school.

Sam has spent practically all his life in north western NSW, having long term involvement in the development of responsible leadership, community development, and developing regional and community governance models. After the abolition of ATSIC and the Regional Councils, Sam successfully negotiated the continued involvement of Aboriginal people as partners with Australian and NSW governments in the Murdi Paaki COAG Trial from 2002–07. He has co-authored two Indigenous policy journals on Indigenous Community Governance and Leadership, published by UTS’s Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning.

Sam is currently employed as First Assistant Secretary, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, as a Special Advisor Regional Governance and leading Engagement and Delivery for the Closing the Gap Refresh Agenda through national consultations.

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Indigenous Affairs
International perspectives on political economics
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Indigenous-settler relations?

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The voice of children

SESSION
10.00-11.00am Wednesday
Self-governing not governed: empowering Indigenous people and communities

Professor Miriam Jorgensen
Professor Jorgensen is a Research Director of the Native Nations Institute at the University of Arizona, Research Director of the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, and Professor of Indigenous Nation Building at the UTS Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research.

Her work in Indigenous governance and economic development—in the US, Canada, and Australia—has addressed issues as wide-ranging as child welfare, policing and justice systems, natural-resource management, cultural stewardship, land ownership, tribal enterprises, housing, and financial education.


She co-founded the University of Arizona Indigenous Governance Program. She received her BA in economics from Swarthmore College, MA in human sciences from the University of Oxford, and MPP in international development and PhD in political economics from Harvard University.

Professor Hoani Lambert
Hoani (Ngati Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa) is a career public servant and is currently the Deputy Chief Executive, Voices of Children at the New Zealand Ministry for Children.

In this role Hoani is responsible for advocating for children and young people’s interests across the government system, ensuring their voices are at the centre of government policy, service design and delivery. He is also responsible for overseeing his ministry’s implementation of new legislative duties in relation to the Treaty of Waitangi.

As part of the current public service reforms in New Zealand, Hoani is leading a working group to develop a Māori cultural competency framework for senior public servants.

Although a specialist in communications, public relations and social marketing, Hoani has had a diverse range of professional roles. He has worked in parliament, directed biosecurity border operations and, most recently, worked as a diplomat with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Hoani holds an ANZSOG Executive Masters in Public Administration.

SESSION
The voice of children
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday

Professor Marcia Langton AM
Professor Langton is an anthropologist and geographer, and since 2000 has held the Foundation Chair of Australian Indigenous Studies at the University of Melbourne, where she is Associate Provost and Redmond Barry Distinguished Professor.

She has produced a large body of knowledge in the areas of political and legal anthropology, Indigenous agreements and engagement with the minerals industry, and Indigenous culture and art. Her role in the Empowered Communities project under contract to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet as a member of the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians is evidence of Professor Langton’s academic reputation, policy commitment and impact, alongside her role as a prominent public intellectual.

Her 2012 Boyer lectures titled: The Quiet Revolution: Indigenous People and the Resources Boom is one of her recent contributions to public debate, and have added to her influence and reputation in government and private sector circles.

SESSION
Self-governing not governed: empowering Indigenous people and communities
10.00–11.00am Wednesday

Professor Sarah Maddison
Professor Maddison is a professor in the School of Social and Political Sciences and Co-Director of the Indigenous-Settler Relations Collaboration at the University of Melbourne.


SESSION
A new paradigm for Indigenous-settler relations?
11.30am-1.00pm Thursday
Liz Marsden

Liz is affiliated to Ngāpuhi, Ngaitakoto, Te Whānau a Apanui Iwi within Aotearoa New Zealand.

Liz has more than 30 years of experience working within the social services sectors both in government and non-government agencies. Diverse roles within the Ministry of Social Development and the Ministry of Education in Aotearoa New Zealand include: teaching within various primary and secondary schools (1973–1980); Area Manager for the Community Funding Agency, Tai Tokerau (1992–1999); Strategic Manager for Far North Schooling Improvement (1999–2001), and National Manager of Iwi and Māori Services (2001–2004).


Liz sits on several Boards, including VOYCE – Whakarongo Mai, set up two years ago as an independent advocacy service for children and young people in state care. She is currently General Manager, Ngāpuhi Iwi Social Services, a subsidiary of Te Runanga a Iwi o Ngāpuhi.

SESSION
Lessons from the community:
What they want you to know
11.30am-1.00pm Thursday

Damien Miller

Damien is currently the Assistant Secretary of the Soft Power, Partnerships and Research Branch at the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in Canberra. He is co-Faculty Head of the “Understanding Australia” Faculty at the Australian Government’s Diplomatic Academy.

In 2017 he joined the inaugural cohort of Atlantic Fellows for Social Equity. From May 2013 to May 2017 he was Australia’s Ambassador to Denmark, with non-resident accreditation to Norway and Iceland. He was the first Indigenous Australian to be appointed head of an overseas mission.

Mr Miller previously served overseas as Australia’s Deputy Ambassador to Germany (2010–2013) and at the Australian High Commission in Malaysia (2000–2003). He joined the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in 1995. Mr Miller holds a Graduate Diploma in Foreign Affairs and Trade from Monash University and a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from the University of New South Wales. He was selected “Aboriginal Scholar of the Year” by the National NAIDOC Committee in 1993.

His professional performing arts career spans theatre, film, television and radio. She has worked for the Belvoir Street Theatre in Sydney and the Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, South Australian and Western Australian Theatre Companies with credits such as Capricornia, Radiance, Corporate Vibes and Diary of a Madman, which toured to the USSR as the first cultural theatre exchange between Australia and the USSR.

Lydia Miller

Lydia is a Kuku Yalanji woman from Far North Queensland, with a wealth of experience in the arts and cultural sector spanning some 30 years as a performer, artistic director, producer, administrator, senior executive and advocate.

Her professional performing arts career spans theatre, film, television and radio. She has worked for the Belvoir Street Theatre in Sydney and the Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, South Australian and Western Australian Theatre Companies with credits such as Capricornia, Radiance, Corporate Vibes and Diary of a Madman, which toured to the USSR as the first cultural theatre exchange between Australia and the USSR.

Lydia combines this artistic background with public policy and administration experience in the health, community services and criminal justice sectors.

She has held a number of Council, Board and Committee positions including: the Aboriginal National Theatre Trust, Australian National Playwrights Centre, National Indigenous Arts Advocacy Association, Bangarra Dance Theatre, Queensland Indigenous Arts Export and Marketing Agency, Carnivale, and the Sydney City Council Cultural Committee.

SESSION
Arts and culture
11.30-1.00pm Thursday

Romlie Mokak

Romlie Mokak is a Djugun man and a member of the Yawuru people.

He has been the CEO of the Lowitja Institute, Australia’s national institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research since 2014. Under his leadership, the Institute is transforming into a leading research and policy impact organisation in Australia, while extending its global networks and partnerships.

Prior to joining the Lowitja Institute, Romlie was the CEO of the Australian Indigenous Doctors’ Association for almost a decade. Earlier roles included Director, Substance Use, and Manager of the National Eye Health Program, for the Australian Government’s Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health. He was the first Aboriginal policy officer in the New South Wales government Ageing and Disability Department.

Romlie has chaired and has been a member for a range of policy, research and evaluation bodies at the national and state government levels. He is the immediate past chair for the National Health Leadership Forum, the collective of national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and wellbeing organisations.

SESSION
Health systems free of racism and inequity
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday
(Facilitator)
Paulina Motlop
Paulina was born in Darwin and grew up in Perth. Her First Nations connections are to the Kungarakan and Yanyuwa peoples of the Northern Territory.
Paulina is Director, Aboriginal Education Teaching and Learning in the Western Australia Department of Education. She has a wealth of experience in education, including as a teacher and academic tutor in Western Australia, and as a teacher and school leader in the Northern Territory. Paulina was recently an Assistant Professor within the School of Indigenous Studies at the University of Western Australia.
Paulina’s current role is to lead the planning and development of support to improve teaching and learning for WA’s Aboriginal students, consistent with the strategic directions of the public school system. The foundation and driver for this is implementation of the Department’s Aboriginal Cultural Standards Framework.
Paulina is particularly interested in the importance of transformative learning and how this is positioned in initial teacher education, teacher development and administration. Paulina is focused on having high expectations for Aboriginal students and values the importance of equity and diversity as strengths and a resource in individuals, schools and communities.

Dr Sana Nakata
Dr Nakata is Lecturer in Political Science, ARC Discovery Indigenous Research Fellow (2016–2019) and Co-Director of the Indigenous-Settler Relations Collaboration.
Trained as a lawyer and political theorist, her research is centred upon developing an approach for thinking politically about childhood in ways that improve the capacity of adult decision-makers to act in their interests. She published her first book in 2015, *Childhood Citizenship, Governance and Policy: the politics of becoming adult* (Routledge). Her current project looks at representations of children in Australian political controversies, with particular focus upon Indigenous Australian children and child asylum seekers.

Sharon Nelson-Kelly
Sharon is NZ Māori – Rongomaiwahine ki Kahungunu from Pakipaki, Hawkes Bay. She has been living in Australia for the past 12 years, and has comprehensive operational and strategic experience working in human services in the government sector over a 25 year period in New Zealand, ACT and Victoria, including a recent role as Senior Project Director for the Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA). Sharon also has three years NGO sector experience in Thailand.
As the inaugural winner of the New Zealand 2000 Ria McBride Public Service Management Award, Sharon attended the Advanced Management Program at Mt Eliza Business School in 2001. The New Zealand State Service Commission sponsored the award for mid-level public service women with senior management potential.
Sharon has a deep, personal commitment to improve outcomes for Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander people and Māori. She is the Senior Advisor, First Peoples Programs and Strategy at ANZSOG.

Dr Lyndon Ormond-Parker
Dr Ormond-Parker is an ARC Research Fellow with the Indigenous Studies Unit, Centre for Health Equity, Melbourne School of Population and Global Health. He was born in Darwin and of Alyawarra decent from the Barkly tablelands region of the Northern Territory.
Dr Ormond-Parker has been involved in advocacy, policy development, research and negotiations at the local, national and international level focused on Indigenous communities in the area of information technology, cultural heritage, materials conservation and repatriation. He is currently a member of the Australian Heritage Council, a principal adviser to the Australian Government on heritage matters and a member of the Advisory Committee on Indigenous Repatriation.

SESSION
*Culture is education*
11.30am–1.00pm Thursday (Facilitator)
Reimagining public administration:
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Elly Patira
Elly is an Indigenous woman with links to Gunai and Ngapuhi country. She is a lawyer and policy advisor with broad experience across constitutional, Indigenous and minority rights law and policy, both domestically and internationally. She holds a BA and JD from the University of Melbourne and a Masters in International Human Rights Law from the University of Oxford.

She has worked in the public and corporate sectors, for Aboriginal organisations, within not-for-profits and as an advisor during the Fijian constitution-making process. She is currently the Acting Director of the Aboriginal Affairs Policy branch within the Department of Premier and Cabinet, as well as a founding director of Australian Lawyers for Remote Aboriginal Rights.

SESSION
Treaty
2.00–3.30pm Wednesday

Linnae Pohatu
Linnae Pohatu is the Tumuaki Director Māori and Pacific Development at Tamaki Paenga Hira Auckland War Memorial Museum. She started at Auckland Museum in 2012. Her role is designed to enhance the Museum’s relationship with Māori and Pacific, embed the Museum’s Māori and Pacific strategies across Auckland Museum. Linnae co-leads Auckland Museum’s Human Remains Repatriation Programme.

Her career has been in the New Zealand public sector including as a Parliamentary Officer in New Zealand’s Parliament, a Policy and Negotiations Analyst at the Office of Treaty Settlements – the New Zealand government agency responsible for settling historical Treaty of Waitangi claims with Māori tribes on behalf of the Crown, a private secretary to the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations, a senior manager at Career Services NZ, and a Bicultural Policy Analyst at Te Papa Tongarewa The Museum of New Zealand. Linnae graduated from Massey University with a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) majoring in Māori Studies.

Linnae affiliates to tribes from New Zealand’s East Coast of the North Island and the very south of the South Island. She is also of Irish, English and Shetland Isles descent.

SESSION
Arts and culture
11.30am–1.00pm Thursday

Steven Renata
Steven is CEO of KIWA Digital, a Māori-owned and operated digital technology business which has worked in the intersection between language and technology for more than 15 years. KIWA has long-standing commitment to Māori that goes back to the company’s foundation in Māori broadcasting and recently recognised at Ngā Tohu Reo Māori and New Zealand International Business Awards 2016.

Over the years the company has delivered multiple projects benefiting Māori across a wide range of sectors including literacy, careers, health and cultural intelligence.

As CEO, he guides KIWA’s direction and sustainability through insight, innovation and service. At a leadership level this requires focus on creating high performance teams. He says he observes and influences through the lens of Tribal Leadership, an approach which focuses on language and relationships that drive performance in a sustainable manner.

Steven is part of the Ngāpua iwi and the Ngāti Pakahi and Ngāti Rehia hapus.

SESSIONS
Year of Indigenous languages
9.30–11.00am Thursday
Culture is education
11.30am–1.00pm Thursday

Geoff Richardson
Geoff is a descendant of the Miriam people of Murray Island (Mer) in the Torres Strait and the Kuku Yalanji/Tjapukai peoples of Cairns and lower Cape York Peninsula, North Queensland.

He has spent 40 years in the Australian Public Service, all in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs portfolio, including 22 years in Senior Executive Services positions. Geoff has worked extensively across a broad range of program and policy areas, including; broadcasting, land acquisitions, housing and infrastructure; and economic and community development. He has been responsible for cross department advice on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community engagement, cultural protocols, cultural appreciation and awareness, and engagement with the community development sector.

SESSION
Power-sharing between governments and communities
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday (Facilitator)
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Craig Ritchie
Craig Ritchie is an Aboriginal man of the Dhunghutti and Biripi nations and is the CEO of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS). Craig joined AIATSIS as Deputy CEO in April 2016, and was formally appointed CEO in May 2017.

He has worked in other senior roles within the Australian Public Service, most recently in the Department of Education and Training 2011-2016, as well as in the ACT Government. Craig has experience in the community sector, including as CEO of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) - the peak advocacy body for Aboriginal community controlled health services.

Craig is one of growing cohort of senior Indigenous public servants who provide significant leadership in the broader whole-of-government Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs, particularly as a member of the APS Indigenous SES Network.

Craig studied at the University of Newcastle and has a post-graduate qualification in management and is currently completing his PhD in Public Policy.

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Indigenous leaders in the public service
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday (Facilitator)

Anne-Marie Roberts
Anne-Marie is a First Assistant Secretary in the Indigenous Affairs Group and the National Director of the Regional Network in the Australian DPMC. Anne-Marie oversees the Regional Network, which supports the Australian Government through local engagement with Indigenous communities.

The Regional Network Division has over 550 staff based in 80 locations across Australia, stretching from capital cities to regional towns and some of the most remote communities in Australia.

Anne-Marie has been in the Australian Public Service for over 24 years and has experience in working with people and communities across most areas in Australia. She has held high profile positions within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission, inaugural Chief of Staff to establish the Northern Territory Emergency Response Operations Centre and also serving as State Manager for the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Prior to entering the Australian Public Service, Anne-Marie worked for many years in the Aboriginal Legal Services sector at a time when the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody recommendations were handed down.

SESSION
Indigenous leaders in the public service
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday (Facilitator)

Josh Smith
Josh Smith is a Dunghutti man from the Macleay Valley Coast in New South Wales and is currently the Executive Director of Aboriginal Victoria with the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

After practising law as a solicitor for the NSW Crown Solicitors Office and at the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service, Josh has held executive positions within the Victorian public service across family violence, health and human services portfolios.

Josh is a passionate community member and has advocated for better outcomes for Kooris through policy development and enhanced Aboriginal self-determination.

SESSION
Treaty
2.00-3.30pm Wednesday

Leila Smith
Leila is a Wiradjuri woman, whose family is from Erambie Mission outside Cowra in central New South Wales. Raised in Canberra, Leila holds a Masters of Public Policy from the University of Cambridge and Bachelor of Arts from the Australian National University. She is the Deputy CEO of the Aurora Education Foundation.

Prior to the Aurora Education Foundation, Leila was the Knowledge Translation Manager at the Lowitja Institute, and a Senior Management Consultant at Nous Group. She also worked in a range of health and data organisations including as the Policy Manager at the Australian Indigenous Doctors’ Association, a data analyst at the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, and a Research Officer at the Australian Social Science Data Archive, and the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies.

SESSION
International perspectives on Indigenous Affairs:
11.30am-1.00pm Wednesday
(Facilitator)
Professor Maggie Walter

Professor Walter (PhD) is palawa, descending from the pairrebenne people of North Eastern Tasmania and a member of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Briggs family. She holds the dual roles of Professor of Sociology and Pro Vice-Chancellor, Aboriginal Research and Leadership at the University of Tasmania and teaches and publishes in the fields of race relations, inequality and research methods and methodologies.


Professor Walter is a founding member of the Miaim nayri Wingara Australian Indigenous Data Sovereignty Collective and an active participant in national and international Indigenous Data Sovereignty networks. She has published extensively on this topic, most recently The voice of Indigenous data: Beyond the markers of disadvantage in the Griffith Review (60) and “Indigenous Data, Indigenous Methodologies and Indigenous Data Sovereignty’ with M. Suina (International Journal of Social Research Methodologies).

SESSION
The politics of data
4.00–5.30pm Wednesday

Timothy Warwick

Tim is the Acting Principal at Gowrie St Primary School in Shepparton. Earlier in his career, he taught Legal Studies and Humanities at Wanganui Park Secondary College. Tim has led and supported a number of Indigenous education and cultural awareness strategies which have been launched in schools across the Murray Goulburn Valley region.

He was the Project Co-ordinator for the Kaela Dhungala First Peoples Curriculum and is on the boards of Ganbina and Boundless, two organisations aimed at supporting the aspirations of our young people. Tim holds a Bachelor of Law/Arts from the University of Queensland and a Masters of Teaching from the University of Melbourne.

SESSION
Culture is education
11.30am-1.00pm Thursday
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