



**WOMEN IN ADULT &
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**

WAVE National Forum 2022

The role of adult and vocational education in empowering women and supporting gender equality

Date: 21 October 2022
Time: Register at 9.15am for a 9.30am start, to conclude by 4.30pm
Location: VET Development Centre (VDC)
Level 8, [379 Collins Street, Melbourne Vic 3000](https://www.google.com/maps/place/379+Collins+Street,+Melbourne+VIC+3000)

Registration Link: <https://wave.org.au/wave-national-forum/>

Followed by
WAVE 2022 AGM 5pm – 5.30pm

Program

9.30-9.35 Acknowledgement of country
9.35-9.45 **Presentation: Introduction and Forum Opening**
Speaker: Linda Simon, WAVE National Convenor
9.45-10.20 **Presentation: Gender Equality**
Speaker: Kit McMahon - : CEO – WHISE, Victoria
10.20–11.00 **Panel: Women, VET and lifelong learning**
Chair: Linda Simon
Panellists:
* Don Perlgut – Chief Executive Officer, Community Colleges
Australia
Title: Inequality in Australia: What can vocational education and training do to address it?
* Kira Clarke - Senior Research Fellow, Brotherhood of St Laurence
11.00-11.15 **Question time**
11.15-11.40 *Morning Tea*
11.40–12.20 **Presentation: Jobs and Skills Summit 2022 & international perspectives**
Speaker: Helen Dalley-Fisher - Manager Equality Rights Alliance (ERA)
12.20-1.00 **Discussion groups**
1.00-1.45 *Lunch*
1.45-2.10 **Presentation: Literacy labour: the growing burden of supporting adults with low literacy in a digitised world.**
Speaker: Sally Thompson – Monash University

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2.10-3.10

Panel: Women, skills and careers

Chair: Annette Bonnici – WAVE National Treasurer

Panellists:

- * **Jane Newton** – Research Manager, Jobs Queensland
Title: Apprenticeship, women and workplace culture
- * **Michelle Circelli** – Team Leader Research NCVET
Title: Women in vocational education and training – participation and outcomes
- * **Karen Hall** – Lecturer Swinburne University of Technology
2022 recipient WAVE/Sue Salthouse grant
Title: Preparing graduate EN's to work with vulnerable mental health consumers

3.10-3.25

Question time

3.25-3.40

Afternoon Tea

3.40-4.20

Discussion groups – Chair Kira Clarke

4.20-4.30

Closing comments

Speaker: Linda Simon

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