Australasian Vocational Education and Training Research Association (AVETRA):

23rd Annual Conference - 23rd - 24th April 2020
Citadines Conference Centre, Melbourne (131-135 Bourke St)

20/20 vision for VET: Research at the centre of future policy and practice

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Professor Stephanie Allais, Research Chair of Skills Development, University of the Witwatersrand and Special Advisor to the Minister of Higher Education and Training: *TVET in developing countries: Constraints and possibilities*

Professor Rod McDonald, Principal, Ithaca Group, former Special Advisor to Australian National Training Authority; author of seminal report on VET research: *No Small Change: Research at the centre of policy and practice - is it too much to expect?*

Professor Ann-Marie Bathmaker, Professor of Vocational and Higher Education, University of Birmingham: *Leadership dilemmas & incompatible goals? Pursuing access, social inclusion, social mobility & employability in public further education*

Terry Moran, AC, Chancellor of Federation University Australia, Chair of the Centre for Policy Development; formerly Secretary of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet; and the first CEO of ANTA: *Recent and current policy reviews in VET - In conversation*

- A panel of experts on ‘VET and careers’: Grant Lovelock from the Australian Government’s National Careers Institute, Mary McMahon from the University of Queensland, and Katherine Ellis, CEO of Youth Affairs Council Victoria.
- 50 research-based presentations from nine countries; and four workshops.
Join leading researchers in vocational education and training (VET) from Australia and around the world at the annual conference of Australia’s major association for VET research.

This will be the biggest AVETRA conference for some years, at a time when major changes to the VET landscape are being discussed. Whether your interest is in VET policy or practice, you will find plenty of food for thought. Paper streams include careers and transitions, economic and social contexts for VET, and stakeholder voices, VET teaching and learning, and VET research itself. Be part of the debate – help shape future thinking! The venue is in central Melbourne near restaurant and theatre districts, and close to some of Melbourne’s magnificent parks.

The conference includes a choice of four workshops:

- ‘VOCEDplus’: Building confidence and skill for practitioners through resource discovery.
- Applied research in the VET landscape: TAFE-industry research partnerships.
- Grants, publications and ARC research quality and impact exercises: Update and discussion for experienced and mid-career researchers.
- Early career and emerging VET researcher workshop.

To register for the conference, go to: https://tas.currinda.com/register/event/2038

Registration costs are as follows:

- Full price (non-members): $495 for full conference including early-evening social event on the first day; $265 for Day 1 (including social event); $240 for Day 2.
- AVETRA member price: $395 for full conference including early-evening social event on the first day; $215 for Day 1 (including social event); $190 for Day 2.

Join us at the conference dinner on 23 April at Il Gambero restaurant, in Lygon Street, Carlton - Melbourne’s famous eating precinct.

- To register for the conference dinner, go to: https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/F20004/

For more information, visit the AVETRA website: http://www.avetra.org.au/pages/avetra-annual-conference.html and through our social media channels @AVETRA1 #AVETRAConf2020

- For conference enquiries please email: AVETRA2020@federation.edu.au

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