National Youth Employment Forum

Integrated strategic approaches to job access for young people

4th-6th November 2015 | Radisson Blu, Sydney

EXPERT SPEAKERS:

Margaret Kidd, Group Manager
Labour Market Strategy Group,
Department of Employment

Peter Coronica, Founder & Chief
Executive Officer, Fingerprint Me,
Youth Employment Academy

Scott Harris, Chief Executive
Officer, Beacon Foundation

Paul Green, Chief Executive
Officer, CVGT Australia Ltd

Peta Furness, Group Manager,
Skills Market Group, Department
of Education & Training
(Commonwealth)

Dr Chrisiss Berryman, General
Manager, Skills Tasmania

Karsten Schulz, National
Director, Digital Careers,
National ICT Australia

Evan Henry, Apprentice & Trainee
Manager, WPC Group

Nick Minto, Senior Policy
Adviser, Employment, Education
& Training, Business Chamber,
NSW

William Stubley, Director, Year13
Pty Ltd

David Thompson, Chief Executive
Officer, Jobs Australia

Dale Cleaver, Group Chief Executive
Officer, Campbell Page

Catherine Yeomans, Chief
Executive Officer, Mission
Australia

Greg Prior, Deputy Secretary, School
Operations and Performance,
Department of Education, NSW

Paul Martin, Executive Director,
Teaching Standards & Strategic
Policy, Board of Studies, Teaching &
Educational Standards, NSW

Professor John Simons, Deputy
Vice-Chancellor (Academic),
Macquarie University

Greg Miller, Vice President &
General Manager, Global Partner
Operations, SAP

Dr Damian Oliver, Deputy Director,
Centre for Management and
Organisation Studies, UTS Business
School

Angad Soin, Director,
Strategy Consulting, Deloitte

Key benefits of attending:

- Gain insights on the National Youth Employment Strategy
- Offer young people avenues for sustainable employment
- Tailor job services to employers’ needs
- Integrate transition-to-work programs with future career planning
- Participate in enhancing skills and employability of young workers
- Ensure young people are not marginalised in dead-end jobs
- Hear from all key stakeholders!

Who should attend:

- Job service providers
- Government
- Employers
- Tertiary education providers

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CONFERENCE DAY ONE: WEDNESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2015

8:00 Registration opens
9:00 Opening remarks from the Chair
   Dale Cleaver, Group Chief Executive Officer, Campbell Page

EXAMINING THE NATIONAL YOUTH EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY

9:10 KEYNOTE
   Exploring the National Youth Employment Strategy reforms
   • Improving participation for under-represented groups
   • Building strategies around skills and marketplace demand
   • Designing policy and services that adapt to flexible needs
   Margaret Kidd, Group Manager Labour Market Strategy Group, Department of Employment

9:50 KEYNOTE
   Improving transition to work programs
   • Investing in youth workplace participation strategies
   • Identifying new jobs in emerging industries
   • Offering new pathways for training and career development
   Dr Chrissie Berryman, General Manager, Skills Tasmania

10:30 Morning tea

LEVERAGING BUSINESS-SAVVY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

11:00 CASE STUDY
   Laying the groundwork for workplace readiness
   • Building jobs seekers pre-employment skills
   • Improving funding and incentives for job seekers and employers
   • Leveraging targeted skills and training programs
   Dale Cleaver, Group Chief Executive Officer, Campbell Page

BOOSTING COLLABORATION BETWEEN EMPLOYERS AND JOB SERVICE PROVIDERS

11:40 CASE STUDY
   Strengthening job services programs
   • Maximising opportunities for long-term unemployed
   • Targeting placements across core areas of needs
   • Maximising opportunities for ongoing employment
   Paul Green, Chief Executive Officer, CVGT Australia

12:20 Lunch

1:20 PANEL DISCUSSION
   Strategies for taking a collaborative approach to job creation
   • Streamlining the quality of services for government and private sector employers
   • Ensuring youth are not left “waiting in the wings” for genuine openings
   • Convincing employers to invest in skills and training around quality jobs
   Panelists:
   Peta Furness, Group Manager, Skills Market Group, Department of Education & Training (Commonwealth)
   Paul Martin, Executive Director, Teaching Standards & Strategic Policy, Board of Studies, Teaching & Educational Standards NSW
   Paul Green, Chief Executive Officer, CVGT Australia
   Nick Minto, Senior Policy Adviser, Employment, Education & Training, Business Chamber NSW

ENHANCING UPSKILLING AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

2:00 CASE STUDY
   Laying the groundwork for transition to work: A higher education perspective
   • Redefining the roadmap for higher education
   • Tailoring programs to meet workplace demands
   • Ensuring curriculum reflects business needs
   Professor John Simons, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic, Macquarie University

2:40 Afternoon tea

3:20 CASE STUDY
   Taking on the wicked problems of youth unemployment and digital skills gap
   • Working with government, not-for-profits and educational institutions to tackle the information communications technology (ICT) skills shortage
   • Delivering work experience early, often and meaningfully to Australia’s youth
   • Engaging and inspiring youth around Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects
   Greg Miller, Vice President & General Manager, Global Partner Operations & Executive Sponsor, Work Readiness & Corporate Social Responsibility Program, SAP

4:00 CASE STUDY
   The role of the National Digital Careers Program
   • Building the industry’s technology skills base
   • Ensuring governments play a critical role to grow this base
   • Leveraging private sector investments and partnerships
   Karsten Schulz, National Director, Digital Careers, National ICT Australia (NICTA-Commonwealth)

4:40 Closing remarks from the Chair and end of day one

CONFERENCE DAY TWO: THURSDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2015

8:00 Registration opens
9:00 Opening remarks from the Chair
   David Thompson AM, Chief Executive Officer, Jobs Australia

INVESTING IN WORKPLACE READINESS PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

9:10 KEYNOTE
   Finding people with the right skills to do the job
   • Tackling the skills gap challenge
   • Streamlining workplace readiness programs
   • Galvanising organisations, governments and educational institutions to meet marketplace needs
   Scott Harris, Chief Executive Officer & Director, Beacon Foundation

9:50 CASE STUDY
   Laying the strategic groundwork for transition-to-work programs
   • Assessing the potential of on-ground projects
   • Quantifying the benefits of short-term jobs
   • Building the skills set around community programs
   David Thompson AM, Chief Executive Officer, Jobs Australia

10:30 Morning tea
MATCHING EMPLOYER NEEDS WITH THE BEST SKILLS AND CAPABILITIES

11:00 CASE STUDY
Building a workforce that meets employers’ needs
- Streamline vocational education and training
- Helping transition from school to work
- Matching job seekers with actual labour demand

Peter Coronica, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Fingerprint Me, Youth Employment Academy

11:40 CASE STUDY
Building graduate skills capabilities: Deloitte Fastrack program
- Laying the groundwork for graduate upskilling
- Fast-tracking training programs
- Building the skills and capabilities of graduates in a business context

Angad Soin, Director, Strategy Consulting, Deloitte

12:20 Lunch

INVESTING IN STRUCTURED MENTORING PROGRAMS TO DELIVER THE BEST OUTCOMES

1:20 KEYNOTE
Pathways to skills and training: Initiatives for young people
- Building structured work experience, mentoring and certified training
- Clarifying what employers expect from new hires
- Enhancing the skills needed to get started

Catherine Yeomans, Chief Executive Officer, Mission Australia

2:00 CASE STUDY
Graduate employment satisfaction survey
- What workplace supervisors want
- Where graduates are doing well
- How universities can improve

Dr Damian Oliver, Deputy Director (Business Development), Centre for Management and Organisation Studies, UTS Business School

2:40 Afternoon tea

3:10 PANEL DISCUSSION
Laying the foundations for quality education
- Delivering targeted leadership and education programs
- Increasing quality sector relationships, collaboration, and positive client outcomes
- Nurturing new skills and approaches to work

Panellists:
- Greg Prior, Deputy Secretary, School Operations and Performance, NSW Department of Education
- Evan Henry, Apprentice & Trainee Manager, WPC Group
- Scott Harris, Chief Executive Officer & Director, Beacon Foundation

3:50 CASE STUDY
Building talent to meet employment needs
- Transitioning more youth into the workforce
- Laying the foundations for career transition programs
- Teaming with public-private sector organisations to deliver the best outcomes

William Stubley, Director, Year13 Pty Ltd

4:20 Closing remarks from the Chair and Conference adjourns

POST CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS: FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER, 2015

WORKSHOP A: 9:00-12:00
Tools to improve transition to work programs

The course is tailored for organisations investing in transition to work programs. It examines the complex issues facing youth in the labour market.

This class outlines what it takes to empower young people to get a foot in the door and match their training and aspirations with workplace demands.

Delegates attending this workshop will learn how to:
- Narrow the gap between education, training and employer needs
- Transition jobs into long-term career prospects
- Integrate certification and training with workplace demands
- Help with career planning and improved pathways
- Balance education with hands-on job training and upskilling

Peter Coronica, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Fingerprint Me, Youth Employment Academy

WORKSHOP B 1:00-4:00
Implementing a youth engagement strategy for digital careers

This workshop is tailored for organisations that seek to develop a youth engagement and subsequently, an employment strategy to develop and attract young talent. It outlines strategies to connect with primary, secondary and tertiary students and develop win-win scenarios for the business and for the students.

The Digital Careers program operates as a collaborative initiative of industry, research, primary, secondary and tertiary institutions (universities and TAFE) and government. Funding has been established through the Australian Government (as represented by the Department of Communications), National ICT Australia, Universities, Industry and State Governments.

Delegates attending this workshop will learn how mentoring can:
- Contribute to the success of your employment development strategy
- Improve engagement and productivity involving young people
- Build the foundations for career planning and transition to work
- Lay the groundwork for youth training programs

Karsten Schulz, National Director, Digital Careers, NICTA

Karsten is the Program Director of the Digital Careers program, which has the objective to get more students to consider a career in ICT. Karsten has previously led SAP Research in the Asia-Pacific where he started several research centres of SAP: Brisbane, Seoul, Shanghai, Bangalore, Sydney, and Singapore.

He has served on the board of Directors of the Cooperative Research Centre on Smart Services (2008-2009) and is the founder of the Young ICT Explorers, an annual not-for-profit competition for school children to inspire them about the possibilities of information technology. He has been building relationships with industry, government and academia and is a co-chair of the Industry advisory board at the University of Queensland.
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