

Leadership Forum



RMIT'S LEADERSHIP FORUM PROGRAM*

Monday 27 August 2018, 9:00 - 17:30



*More speakers to be added in the coming weeks

8:00 Registration Opens

9:00 WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

RMIT and Common Purpose will officially open the program.

Andy Coxall, CEO, COMMON PURPOSE STUDENT EXPERIENCES

Fresh off his TedxLondon Talk, Andy Coxall will be your host for the Leadership Forum and will be discussing Open Source Leadership.



9:15 OPENING KEYNOTE

How will you take ownership of the leadership that will define you and your generation?

Emma Hendry - CEO, HENDRY GROUP

Emma graduated university with a double bachelors' degree in Commerce and Economics before starting her career at PwC. She has also completed her Masters-level Diploma in Financial Strategy at Oxford University. As a female CEO in a male-dominated industry she is an active role-model, and passionate about promoting diversity, with a focus on supporting women to pursue leadership roles.



9:30 CURATING YOUR JOURNEY

Where will you start your day?

10:00 LEADERSHIP INSIGHTS

The key issues, themes and challenges of our time.

Peter Maddison, Founding Director, MADDISON ARCHITECTS PTY LTD

"Leadership by Design"

Peter is the host of Grand Designs Australia. He is an Alumni of RMIT and has designed some of our most celebrated spaces including New Academic Street (NAS). Peter will share his experiences in business, the importance of Cultural Intelligence, and what leadership means to him in the world of design.



Simon Eassom, Global Manager for Education Solutions, IBM

“Leadership in a world of Artificial Intelligence”

This session will help you better understand the world of today and tomorrow, appreciate the major shifts we will experience in our education, work and wider society and recognise the impact this will have on you and on the model by which we currently live. What are the implications from a leadership perspective for you as the next generation of leaders who will need to lead in this new world?

Michael Nolan, Director – Cities Programs, UNITED NATION GLOBAL COMPACT

“Adapting to a changing climate”

How do businesses, governments and NGOs in cities need to adapt to meet the challenges of a changing climate? How does this impact infrastructure, both existing and new, and how does investment in cities need to change to reflect the new reality? Michael Nolan will share insights from across his career, advising governments such as the Obama administration, the UN and a wide range of organisations to highlight the challenges posed by a changing climate and how cities, organisations and leaders need to adapt.

Frank Quinlan, CEO, MENTAL HEALTH AUSTRALIA

“The growing challenge of Mental Health”

1 in 5 Australians are affected by mental health issues every year, with \$10 billion a year spent by government on this emerging issue. Explore the impact on organisations and individuals and why leaders need to be ready to understand and address this.

Nathan Semos and Giri Gangadhara, HENDRY GROUP

“Groundbreaking or Gimmicks? The real value of future technology”

360 imaging, connection with inspections, asset registers, simulation training, shared ecosystems – what is the future of technology and how will it be genuinely relevant and add value, rather than simply being a gimmick? Experience applications and demos that will bring the future to life.

Rachel Walters, Asian Exchange Program Lead, WESTPAC BICENTENNIAL FOUNDATION

“The Asian Century”

China was the economic centre of the world in the 14th century, and is becoming so again. It is also Australia’s largest trading partner. Should leaders be intimidated or excited by China? What are the opportunities to engage with China, and how can we transcend cultural differences to develop skills and innovation?

Anna Schreiber, Channel Sales Manager, HID GLOBAL

“Re-imagining the Digital Future: Data, Security and Connectivity”

Technology exists to achieve significant change in the way we store and manage our data, so why is progress is still relatively slow? One only has to look at the Cambridge Analytica scandal to see how seriously leaders need to consider data issues. So what is the trade-off between security and convenience? Who holds our data and can we trust them with it? How do we protect it? Explore what the future of data technology looks like and why this could be closer than you think.

Jonathan Rees, Partner and Digital Lead ASEAN, ERNST & YOUNG

“Window to the World: Singapore”

Jonathan will share his thoughts from Singapore on the leadership challenges that cut across the Asia-Pacific and beyond, and why future leaders need to understand the important relationship between the two countries.

UBER

Hear from the one of the world’s biggest disruptors about how to keep up in a rapidly changing world.

ABB GROUP

“Industry 4.0 & Augmented Intelligence”

11:00 **CURATING YOUR JOURNEY**

Now where will you take your investigation?

11:30 **LEADERSHIP INSIGHTS**

The key issues, themes and challenges of our time.

Nick Opie, Founding Director, CTO Synchron & Senior Research Fellow, WESTPAC

“The Future of Technology”

Why is it important for leaders to understand the positive disruption represented by advances in technology? Where can it take us and what leadership decisions might we have to make as a result? Nick will share his work on human implantable devices – including bionic eyes and spinal cords, to show how what seems totally futuristic is not far away. And touch not just on the science and engineering aspects but on the legal, government and regulatory side too.

Katherine Gokavi-Whaley, CEO, FARESHARE/FEED MELBOURNE

“The fight against hidden hunger: leading the Moral case for change”

The face of hunger in Australia is very different to the common global perception. Those who are most need of support often have access only to highly calorific food and find it difficult to benefit from nutritious meals. How can leaders use business models to make positive change happen in such an emotional context? And how does a leader move from wanting to be the best in the world to the best for the world?

Dr Jamie Keck, Director Colorectal Surgery, EASTERN HEALTH

“Leadership in the World of Surgeons”

What are the powerful ethical leadership dilemmas faced every day by surgeons on the operating table? How can leaders give advice or make decisions even if it goes against your own interests or beliefs? What does leadership look like in life and death situations?

Anoushka Gungadin, Founder, GLOBAL CQ

“Leading in a Globalised World”

Anoushka will explore what cultural diversity and leadership mean in a globalised world, both the world within and the world without. How do you lead without a title? What does the word leadership mean in different cultures? And in our globalised world, how do you stand out of the crowd to employers?

HENDRY GROUP

“Leading across generations”

A recent graduate and a senior leader will talk about how they are working together to manage the disruption that new technology is bringing to a traditional sector.

Lin Stevenson, Sustainability Manager, RMIT UNIVERSITY

“The Evolution of Sustainability”

Lin will start with an overview on how the sustainability sector and notions of sustainability have changed over time. She will then move into bringing this to life through case studies, which may include the New Academic Street and/or the floodwater management project near RMIT.

Beverly Stacey, Country Manager (HR), ABB

“Driving Power Productivity for a Better World”

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WINDOW TO THE WORLD – HONG KONG

12:30 **FESTIVAL OF LEADERSHIP**

Explore, celebrate, be curious and inquisitive. Network with the speakers, meet some fellow RMIT students, listen to some music while you enjoy a complimentary lunch in NAS and Bowen Street.

14:00 **LEADERSHIP INSIGHTS**

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David Teller, Director for Transport Development, GOVERNMENT OF VICTORIA

“Leading Across Sector Boundaries”

How do leaders foster an environment for collaboration across sectors and industries to encourage individuals and organisations to convene as task forces of the willing to address complex issues? David Teller will share examples of how he has convened leaders with a passion for a purpose, including the Debt Spiral project where banks, insurance companies, energy companies and government worked together to address issues of customers defaulting on payments.

Social Change Fellows, WESTPAC BICENTNNIAL FOUNDATION

Julian O’Shea, 2014 Young Australian of the Year (South Australia), award winning humanitarian engineer will share how he applied technology solutions to alleviate poverty and support disadvantaged communities.

Katrina Webb, Director, NEWDAY

“Leading with love”

Katrina Webb, Australia’s most decorated Paralympian, will share how she has learned to lead with her authentic self and with love.

Jenna Moffat, Co-Fouder and Co-Director, CLICKABILITY

How and why she set up the Australian Disability Service Directory.

Josie Molloy, Head of Relationship Management Vic & Tas, INSTITUTE OF MANAGERS AND LEADERS

“From Accidental Manager to Purposeful Leader”

Sarah Davies, CEO, PHILANTHROPY AUSTRALIA

Susan will be sharing insights and key learnings from her leadership journey and career.

Tom Amos, CEO and Co-Founder, SIDEKICKER

How does leadership function in the “gig economy”? Sidekicker is revolutionising the way businesses hire temporary staff.

Beverly Stacey, Country Manager (HR), ABB

“Leadership in the 4th Industrial Revolution”

WINDOW TO THE WORLD – INDIA

Craig Humphries and Ling Gao, HENDRY GROUP

15:30 **LEADERSHIP INSIGHTS**

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Michael Nolan, Director – Cities Programs, UNITED NATION GLOBAL COMPACT

“Turning Principles Into Action”

Using the UN Sustainable Development Goals, Michael Nolan will support you as we explore how you can take your personal passions and principles and turn them into action with the support of your peers. This will be a very interactive session will enable you to connect with like-minded peers and collaborate on the issues that matter to you for impact.

Frank Quinlan, CEO, MENTAL HEALTH AUSTRALIA

“Leading Mental Health Reform”

Frank will share how he has made change happen during his extensive non-profit career, and how he has led the creation of policies that in his words “even a government can understand”

Steph Thoo, Head of RMIT ACTIVATOR (INNOVATE)

“The Entrepreneurial Journey”

Steph has worked in countless not-for-profits, from Oxfam to Amnesty International and now heads up RMIT Activator (Innovate). Being an entrepreneur requires a whole new set of leadership qualities. Find out what they are.

Kerin Elsum, Course Coordinator, RMIT

“Wicked Problems Methodology”

Katrina Webb, Director, NEWDAY

“Defining your values”

SOCIAL CHANGE FELLOWS

“Mission-led leadership”

17:00 **CLOSING ADDRESS**

How are we going to stand up and change the world?

Martin Bean, Vice-Chancellor and President of RMIT UNIVERSITY

Andy Coxall and Martin Bean will have a fireside discussion about Leadership and what we've all learnt today.

17:30 **CLOSE**