

2023 PEOPLE AND CULTURE NETWORK CONFERENCE



## THEFUTURE

































## **OVERVIEW**

People and Culture professionals in local government face a unique set of challenges and opportunities. The LG Professionals SA People and Culture Network Conference will help you unpack what it means to be a people and culture professional in local government today and equip you with the tools and knowledge to lead your organisation into the future.

#### Attendees will leave with:

- · a set of powerful yet simple strategies, to give you a real, no-nonsense way to manage stress, change and uncertainty
- · an understanding of future work trends, how they will impact your organisation and how to manage them
- innovative workforce planning strategies, customised to the local government experience
- knowledge of what it means to be an employer of choice, and how to brand your organisation competitively in this space
- the latest on workplace capability framework best practice, to support your organisation to attract, recruit, develop and retain a responsive and capable workforce
- and more!

This conference is also a fantastic opportunity to develop and strengthen connections and collaborate with like-minded local government people and culture professionals. This conference is open to all local government people and culture professionals - we also strongly encourage anyone who works closely with people and culture or with a passion or role in leading the future of the local government workforce to attend.



# PROGRAM REGISTRATION

#### WELCOME AND OPENING OF CONFERENCE

THE INNER MBA

**Annie Harvey,** TEDx and Keynote Speaker

Annie's fast-track MBA is a set of powerful yet simple strategies, which will leave you with a real, no-nonsense way to manage stress, change and uncertainty. Annie's gift is making the complex simple, distilling her years of study into this easy-to-understand session that will help you take the first steps towards raising self-efficacy, increasing self- awareness and prioritising personal and organisational leadership.



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## ACHIEVING SYNERGY: THE CHALLENGE OF INTEGRATING INNOVATION AND CULTURAL TRANSFORMATION

Matt Anderson, Managing Director, Wheelhouse

In this session, Matt will explore the crucial connection between innovation and cultural transformation within the context of public service. Recognising the unique challenges and opportunities faced by local government, we will delve into the symbiotic relationship between external stakeholders (such as citizens and community organisations) and the internal stakeholders of the local government workforce.

Can integrating innovation and cultural transformation enable local government to unlock their potential for positive change, responsive governance and improved community outcomes?



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## MORNING TEA

## NOW IS THE TIME TO PRIORITISE THE IMPORTANT AHEAD OF THE URGENT

Samantha Wilkinson, General Manager – People and Culture, Santos Ltd

Organisations are facing unprecedented challenges in their desire to be future proof. Often overlooked, strategic workforce planning provides an evidence-based process for mapping your organisation's future resource requirements. This session will provide an overview of workforce planning and the role technology can play in providing insights as an input into decision making.





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## UNDERSTANDING, CRAFTING AND SHARING YOUR EVP

Mark Puncher, CEO, Employer Branding Australia

To secure the commitment of future leaders and workforces, what matters is our ability to attract great people who stay and perform. In this session, Mark Puncher, dad, CEO and a big fan of gin, will help us explore our Employee Value Propositions, as individual councils, and as a sector as whole. He will uncover what we can do as people and culture professionals to drive positive employee engagement, how we can do more to secure a positive 'employer brand' and importantly, how we retain talent to build a pipeline of qualified, engaged and committed people who will become the future of the local government sector.

#### LUNCH

#### THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSISTENCE WHEN GATHERING DATA

Susan Sadler, President, AHRI SA

Susan Sadler is the Founder and CEO of Red Wagon Workplace Solutions, a straight-talking HR consultancy who help organisations to achieve better business outcomes. In this session, Susan will focus on the dilemma every people and culture professional faces from time to time: uncertainty about how to move an investigation forward. Susan will draw from her own experiences of being persistent and creative when gathering data and engaging witnesses, and how doing so can open a new path of inquiry and lead to better outcomes.

## EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP, CONSTRUCTIVE CULTURES: LEADING YOURSELF AND OTHERS

**Deb Dickson,** Pique Global

In this session, Deb will explore the links between effective leadership, constructive cultures and workplaces that demonstrate resilience. She will uncover how people and culture professionals can develop the capacity to lead themselves, and their people, in a way that matches the complexity of the local government environment. As an experienced executive and consultant with a focus on organisational and culture change and leadership development, Deb will outline how effective leadership requires both leadership of self, through self-awareness, self-regulation and resourcing, as well as the skills to lead and coach others.

## CREATING WORKFORCES FOR THE FUTURE - TODAY

Sophia Symeou, CEO, INS

Sophia Symeou is passionate about building capability and fostering leaders and organisations to be formidable forces for good. She is recognised for creating innovative people management strategies that realise business goals and treat employees with respect and fairness. Sophia is known for her ground-breaking work in developing frameworks that build individual and organisational capability, enabling organisations to retain and recast their teams and individuals, to use their talents in new ways. In this session, Sophia will outline the common attributes, knowledge and abilities required by all individuals within an organisation to meet local government objectives. She will showcase local government examples that highlight how people and culture professionals can align a capability framework to ensure success.

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**NETWORKING, DRINKS & NIBBLES** 

## REGISTRATION

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