



2024 HEDx Future Solutions Conference - PROGRAM AGENDA

Thursday 31st October, 9.00AM - 4.30 PM

GHD Advanced Engineering Building, University of Queensland

9.00 am	Arrival and registrations
9.20 - 9.35 Welcome	Welcome, acknowledgements and outline of day: Martin Betts, CEO and Co-founder of HEDx Professor Debbie Terry AC, Vice Chancellor of The University of Queensland
The state of global universities and their futures - <i>now that the major policy settings and the future of current university business models is clearer, what are the strategic priorities for public universities in the period ahead, and what will they do about it?</i>	
9.35 - 9.55 FIRESIDE CHAT	The approach to innovation for a University in the age of AI Professor Ann Kirschner, Former President, Hunter College, The City University of New York, in live cross with Martin Betts
9.55 - 10.45 PANEL	How are Australia's public universities seeing the future? led by Professor John Dewar, VC of University of Wollongong with: Professor Simon Biggs, VC of James Cook University, Professor Helen Bartlett, VC of University of the Sunshine Coast, Professor Chris Moran, VC of University of New England Professor Debbie Terry AC, VC of University of Queensland
10.45 am	Morning tea
Where is diversity in providers to be found for the new skills we need? - <i>with the focus now moving to the student experience and the need for new and diversified models of providers, what can we learn from the full range of our sector ecology and the partnerships they can form with others around future skills needs?</i>	
11.15 -11.55 PANEL	Sectoral diversity: where is it taking us and our students? Professor Christy Collis, President-elect HERDSA with: Scott Lockett, Health Careers International and Cintana Sam Jacob, CEO of Collarts Dr Bijo Kunnumpurath, Group CEO of Health Careers International Professor Kerri-Lee Krause, Chair of the Higher Education Standards Panel
11.55 - 12.35 PANEL	Where can partnerships take us and how do we harness them? led by Professor Guy Littlefair, Auckland University of Technology: Tim Burt, Director Strategy and Planning, Future Skills Organisation Professor Alex Elibank Murray, PVC University of the Sunshine Coast A/Professor May Lim Sok Hui of Singapore Institute of Technology Tash Stoeckel, Head of Education for ANZ of LinkedIn

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12.35 pm	Lunch
<p>What are our future solutions and how do we search for them? - <i>what can HEDx members do to best become future ready with workable solutions for equity and how would we best articulate a higher education advantage that can be extended to all of Australia's future learners?</i></p>	
1.25 - 1.40 FIRESIDE CHAT	<p>How do HEDx member universities best become future ready and advance higher education? - Martin Betts in conversation with Professor Kris Ryan, DVC Academic UQ and Professor Lucy Marshall, Dean of Science and Engineering, Macquarie University</p>
1.45 - 2.30 PANEL	<p>What are the workable solutions for innovation to achieve equity? led by Professor Shamit Saggat, ACSES with: Dr Kylie Austin, Equity Practitioners in Higher Education Australasia Professor Ian Li, Research and Policy Program Director, ACSES Professor Paul Harpur OAM, UQ and Universities Enable Lyndin Francis, Head of Partner Engagement APAC, Vygo</p>
2.30 pm	Afternoon tea
<p>How can AI impact higher education and how do we harness that together? - <i>what does the emergence of AI mean for student experiences, for how institutions operate, and for provider-technology company collaboration to get us there?</i></p>	
2.55 –3.25 AI in Higher Education project research report	<p>How do students view, use, and expect AI to shape their tertiary education? Led by Professor Kelly Matthews, UQ and A/Prof Tim Fawns, Monash with a report on cross-institutional research by Professor Margaret Bearman, Deakin University Professor Simon Buckingham-Shum, UTS, and Professor Michael Henderson, Monash University</p>
3.25- 4.05 PANEL	<p>How can AI support changing Higher Education for good? led by Professor Kylie Readman of UTS with: Professor George Siemens of Human Systems and UniSA Professor Kelly Matthews Interim PVC Teaching and Learning of UQ Katie Ford, ANZ Higher Education Lead, Microsoft Linda Brown, CEO of Torrens University Australia</p>
4.05 -4.25 FIRESIDE CHAT	<p>How can we be cautiously curious about AI in Higher Education? Professor Rose Luckin, CEO of EDUCATE Ventures, in live cross with Martin Betts and Dr Ant Bagshaw, Executive Director of ATN</p>
4.25	What's next for HEDx and closing call for action - Martin Betts
4.30 - 5.30pm	Closing reception and networking