



## 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
9.30-9.45 Welcome	<b>Session 1 - Welcome, acknowledgements and outline of day:</b> Martin Betts, CEO and Co-founder of HEDx Professor Deborah Terry AC, Vice-Chancellor of The University of Queensland
<b>The state of global universities and their futures</b> - now that the major policy settings and the future of current university models is clearer, what are the strategic priorities for public universities in the period ahead, and what will they do about it?	
9.45 - 10.00 FIRESIDE CHAT	<b>Session 2 - The approach to leadership and innovation in the age of AI</b> Professor Ann Kirschner, Former President, Hunter College, The City University of New York, in live cross with Martin Betts
10.00 - 10.55 PANEL	<b>Session 3 - How are public universities seeing future innovation?</b> led by Professor John Dewar AO, 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 Deborah Terry AC, VC of University of Queensland
10.55 am	Morning tea
<b>Where is diversity in providers to be found for the new skills we need?</b> - with the focus on the student experience and new and diversified models of providers, what can we learn from our sector ecology and the partnerships they form around future skills needs?	
11.25 -12.05 PANEL	<b>Session 4 - Where is sector diversity taking us and students?</b> Professor Christy Collis, President-elect HERDSA with: Professor Kerri-Lee Krause, Chair of the Higher Education Standards Panel Sam Jacob, CEO of Collarts Dr Bijo Kunnumpurath, Group CEO of Health Careers International Scott Lockett, Health Careers International and Cintana
12.05 - 12.45 PANEL	<b>Session 5 - Where can partnerships take us and how to harness them?</b> led by Professor Guy Littlefair, Auckland University of Technology: 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 Tim Burt, Director Strategy and Planning, Future Skills Organisation

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12.45 pm	Lunch
<p><b>What are our future solutions and how do we search for them?</b> - <i>what can tertiary education providers do to become future ready with workable equity solutions and articulate a higher education advantage that can be extended to all of Australia's future learners?</i></p>	
1.35 - 1.50 FIRESIDE CHAT	<p><b>Session 6 - How do universities best become future ready?</b> Martin Betts in conversation with Professor Kris Ryan, DVC Academic, The University of Queensland and Professor Jessica Vanderlelie, DVC Academic, La Trobe University</p>
1.50 - 2.40 PANEL	<p><b>Session 7 - What workable solutions for innovation achieve equity?</b> led by Professor Shamit Saggar, 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>
2.40 pm	Afternoon tea
<p><b>How can AI impact higher education and how do we harness that together?</b> - <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>	
3.10 –3.40 AI in Higher Education project research report	<p><b>Session 8 - How do students view, use, and expect AI to shape their tertiary education?</b> 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>
3.40- 4.25 PANEL	<p><b>Session 9 - How can AI support changing Higher Education for good?</b> led by Professor Kylie Readman of UTS with: Professor Liz Johnson, Senior DVC, Deakin University Professor George Williams AO, VC of Western Sydney University Katie Ford, ANZ Higher Education Lead, Microsoft Linda Brown, CEO of Torrens University Australia</p>
4.25 - 4.30	What's next for HEDx and closing call for action - Martin Betts
4.30 - 5.30	Closing reception and networking