



Dear ,

ISANA have a busy few weeks ahead!

We hope you can join us at one or more of the following.

Warm regards,

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Upcoming AGMs and Professional Development...

For more information please visit the ISANA website: <https://isana.org.au/professional-development/>

Add to your toolkit for a successful 2023!

We are pleased to invite you to our final professional development for 2022, a half day forum that will be followed by our Annual

## General Meeting.

Hear from experts on Improving Personal Wellbeing. As we emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic, our surroundings have changed, regardless of what corner of the globe you find yourself in. Many of us in International Education are navigating the 'usual' ways of working with fewer resources/ team members. There is a notable shift in the International Education workforce, the fiscal pressure in our ecosystems is tighter than ever, and the fluctuating demand. Join us to hear from health and wellbeing innovators, who have turned challenges into opportunities, by sharing best practices and practical tools. Our panellists will share their insights, learnings, and strategies. Equipping you with the skills to improve your well-being.

- Time: 10 am – 12 midday (AEDT) | AGM @12.30 pm (Members only)
- Online: via Zoom
- Cost: ISANA Members FREE | Students FREE\* | Non Members \$50 | Non Members + ISANA Membership (to 30 June 2023) \$100
- Registration: [2022 End of Year Forum](#)
- Draft program:
  - Welcome / Acknowledgement of Country
  - International Education – current trends & over the horizon – AusTrade
  - Mental Health Panel | Own and manage your story

\*Student registration: please contact the ISANA Office [isana@isana.org.au](mailto:isana@isana.org.au) providing your full contact details and Student ID

LET your story talk LAUNCH!

We invite you to join us for the launch of the LET your story talk – Mental health support toolkit for international students.

- Date: Tuesday, 6 December
- Time: 4.00pm – 6.00pm (AEDT)
- Venue: CQUniversity Sydney, 400 Kent Street, Sydney NSW
- Registration: [LET – Launch RSVP](#)
- RSVP: Friday, 2 December

2022 LET your story talk – Mental health support toolkit for international students, was developed with funding from a Study NSW Partner Projects 2021/22 grant to ISANA International Education Association who partnered with Story is Connection to develop

mental health resources for international students in NSW. Grounded in the stories of nine international students studying in New South Wales, LET Your Story Talk showcases short films that reveal the challenges impacting their mental health and wellbeing. Innovative and interactive, this toolkit aims to inspire conversation, normalise help seeking whilst destigmatising mental health. Simultaneously the project builds awareness for industry professionals and service providers alike and offer strategies to facilitate dynamic conversations around topics.

The creation of this resource will inspire conversation and destigmatise mental health within the international student community will become a valuable asset available for use by all NSW education providers. LET Your Story Talk will creatively engage international students in acts of powerful storytelling which in turn will inspire connection and understanding with audiences.

2023 ISANA NZ Conference | AUT, March 23 & 24 | Growing International Education: Strengthening capacity and ensuring sustainability

Conference topics include:

- Code Essentials
- The New Capability Toolkit
- Learner Wellbeing and Satisfaction
- Building Professional Practice

We have exceptional keynote speakers confirmed for this event. These include Prof Colleen Ward, a highly cited NZ-based researcher who investigates the international learner experience and Dr Dougal Sutherland, a clinical psychologist and high-profile commentator on supporting mental health and wellbeing. Another outstanding presenter will be discussing strategies for managing learner expectations, which will be integral to sustainable, innovative practice in the post-pandemic era.

The ISANA NZ conference aims to:

- Showcase the new online Capability Protect toolkit
- Offer leading strategies and models for intercultural competencies
- Provide multiple networking opportunities
- Offer timely professional support for experienced and new practitioners
- Provide smart tools for Code compliance and enhancing the learner experience

- Cater to the growth needs of fledgling international programs

Who is the conference for?

Practitioners, educators, program managers, advisors, learners, researchers, government agencies and NGOs involved in the tailored support of international learners. This cohort includes international students, refugee background learners, new settlers and RSE workers.

Call for papers NOW OPEN!

Please visit the ISANA website for further information : <https://isana.org.au/isana-nz-conference-2023/>

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Other News...

I would like to share with you a recent article from the Home Affairs Update for Communities - 11 November 2022.

Comprehensive Migration System Review

On 2 September 2022, the Minister for Home Affairs, the Hon. Clare O'Neil MP, announced a comprehensive review of Australia's migration system to ensure it better meets existing challenges and sets a clear direction for the coming decades.

On 7 November 2022, the Minister has appointed three eminent persons to guide a review of Australia's migration system. This review will inform a Strategy: A Migration System for Australia's Future (the Strategy).

Dr Martin Parkinson AC PSM is the Chancellor of Macquarie University and a former senior Australian public servant.

Dr Joanna Howe is an Associate Professor in Law at the University of Adelaide and a consultant with Harmers Workplace Lawyers.

Mr John Azarias is a former senior partner at Deloitte in Sydney. He has carried out reviews commissioned by the Commonwealth Government in a number of areas.

The Strategy will ensure the migration system serves Australia's national interests and complements the skills and capabilities of Australian workers.

It will establish the core principles on which Australia's migration system will rest, and guide future reform. The strategy will focus on enhancing Australia's productivity.

The eminent persons are scheduled to report to Government in early 2023.

For more information, visit [A Migration System for Australia's Future](#).

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