



Dear ISANA Member,

As we commence the new year and welcome back our international students, I would like to introduce the new ISANA Vic/Tas Committee for 2023.

- Branch President, Helen Nicholls-Stary
  - Vice President, Deleine Gavin-Cox
  - Treasurer, Danielle Hartridge
  - Secretary, Aleisha Cox
  - Comms Coordinator, Nick Ko
  - PD Coordinator, Gary Lee OAM
  - PD Coordinator, Coby Liew
  - Regional Rep, Zita Tattersall
  - Schools Rep, Suzanne Fernandes
  - Tasmania Rep, Khim Guatam
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## **Inform our Planning for 2023 With Your Feedback**

We are seeking feedback from our Vic/Tas members to assist the Committee in planning for the year ahead. We are committed to providing the most relevant and informative professional development and networking opportunities that address emerging and current issues identified. We value your feedback and encourage you to complete the survey via the link below:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/NickKo1/ISANAVicTasMemberSurveyFeb2023>

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## **ISANA Vic/Tas 2023 State Conference- Save the Date!**

- Friday 8 September – All Day
- Venue: Bupa Health Insurance 33 Exhibition Street, Melbourne

The State Conference provides an outstanding opportunity to showcase best practice projects & programs, the latest research as well as networking to connect professionals working across all levels and educational sectors. We welcome your participation and encourage you to consider presenting and sharing your experience and story on what projects & programs that are making a difference for international students.

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## **Professional Development & Industry Networking Event**

We are planning a calendar of online and in person professional development and networking events for the year. Our program for the year will be launched at our first in person PD & Network event.

- **Date:** Thursday 30 March
- **Time:** 9.30 am - 11.30 am (includes morning tea)
- **Venue:** Scape Living at Franklin (Level 52). 99 Franklin St, Melbourne VIC 3000
- **Cost:** ISANA Members, free | Non Members, \$50
- **Registration:** [PD - Vic Tas March 31 2023](#)

## **Best Practice in International Student Engagement and Launch of the ISANA Vic/Tas 2023 Conference and Professional Development Calendar**

### **Best Practice International Student Engagement Project – Danielle Hartridge**

Deakin University has been contracted by the Australian Government to implement the

Best Practice International Student Engagement Project under the International Education Innovation Fund (IEIF). The project team has undertaken desktop analysis and a series of workshops to identify enabling and inhibiting factors in international student engagement. Three surveys targeting institutions/stakeholders, international students and international graduates have further enhanced the early findings. A series of interviews have consolidated the international student engagement framework. Danielle will provide an update on the key themes identified so far and strategies to be implemented to showcase good practice in supporting international students.

**Launch of the 2023 Conference Theme and 2023 Professional Development Calendar**

The ISANA Vic/Tas Committee is delighted to launch the 2023 State Conference Theme and the 2023 Professional Development Calendar. ISANA Vic/Tas would like to encourage involvement in the 2023 State Conference by all in the sector. We want to hear about your projects and programs that make a difference to our international students. This session will also provide the opportunity for participants to network with others, hear their stories and consider joint presentations. The Professional Development Calendar for 2023 will outline the sessions to be offered, addressing key issues of interest to the diversity of stakeholders working with international students. Morning tea will be provided. Cost: Free Members. \$50 Non Members.

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2023 is shaping up to be another exciting year for international education and the Vic/Tas Committee and I look forward to connecting with you during the year.

Warm regards

Helen

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