

Imagine a world where civil society is strong, vibrant and diverse:

Where civil society organisations lead the debates about our future.

Civil Society includes non-profit, community based, non-government organisations and social enterprises, and social movements together with volunteering and giving which sustains them.

Third Sector organisations vary greatly both in size, scope and activity and constitute the core of civil society. Whether you work, volunteer or conduct research to support the vital activities of Third Sector organisations you may not even consider the total impact that your activities contribute towards civil society.

Do you want to be part of a vibrant community working toward building a stronger civil society? What current issues do you experience that limit your work? Do you have a passionate vision for the future of civil society in Australasia?

If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, or if you have your own burning question about civil society, we want to include your voice in this dialogue.

"Civil Society in 2020: Vision, Strategy, Action."

An Interactive Panel Discussion, Sponsored by the Centre for Social Impact and Facilitated by Julie McCrossin, broadcaster and journalist.

WHEN: Monday 15th November, 9.30-11.00am University Hall, UTS (Located on Harris Street, directly across the road from the ABC Building).

A panel of community leaders representing a slice of the diversity within the Third Sector has been specially organised to discuss and debate the strengthening of civil society. The panellists are:

John Fitzgerald, Director of Development, Surf Life Saving Australia
Stephen Judd, CEO - Hammond Care and Director Community Council of Australia
Elenie Poulos, Minister of the Uniting Church in Australia and National Director of Uniting Justice Australia
Alison Peters, Director, Council of Social Service of NSW (NCOSS)
Amanda Tattersall, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Unions NSW
David Thompson, CEO Jobs Australia

But we want to know what you think as a practitioner or researcher. We want you to enjoy a lively panel discussion and to contribute to that discussion.

This opening plenary is a **free event** but you must register to attend because places are limited. Please register your interest to attend by sending an email with '**Civil Society 2020**' in the title to: anztsr2010@uts.edu.au

The plenary opens the 10th Biennial ANZTSR conference. To get fully informed and engaged we invite you to **participate in the full conference program**. Hurry to take advantage of our discounted early bird rates until the 8th October (2 Days = \$350 or 3rd Sector Practitioner = \$200 or Student = \$60).



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ANZTSR is the regions longest established research society that seeks to strengthen both research and practice in the third sector. Our membership is comprised of leading Australasian third sector researchers and practitioners across the broad diversity of third sector activities.

When you register to attend the two-day conference, ticket highlights include:

- A relaxed Sunday afternoon opening reception at the Citigate Hotel on the 14th November.
- An exciting interactive plenary discussion sponsored by the Centre for Social Impact at UNSW, facilitated by Julie McCrossin. Titled “Civil Society in 2020: Vision, Strategy, Action”, this panel comprises of community leaders from diverse segments of the third sector. Julie will invite audience participation so you can join the dialogue on the future of Australasian civil society.
- A keynote lunch sponsored by The Australian Centre for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies at QUT with distinguished guest speaker Professor Julian Disney, Director of the Social Justice program at UNSW.
- A World Café lunch and academic plenary to workshop the strategic direction of future third sector research in Australasia.
- A dynamic and stimulating program of presentations by leading Australasian third sector researchers and practitioners discussing cutting-edge research and leading practice within the sector.
- An optional conference dinner at Red Chilli Sichuan Restaurant in Chinatown on Monday 15th November.

At this year’s conference we want to consolidate the strengths of the sector and look to the future.

To view updated conference information please visit this CCS website:

<http://cosmopolitancivilsocieties.com/2009/12/08/anztsr-call-for-papers/>

Once you have registered for the full conference program you will receive detailed information regarding the location of the event and the conference program.

We look forward to meeting you in November.



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