



50TH ALP National Conference

23 - 25 July, 2026

CONFERENCE GUIDE

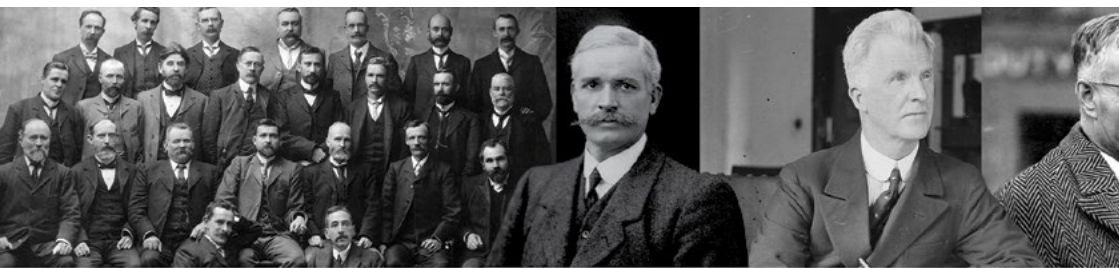


**Delivering
Real Change**



1891 - 2026





1890s – 1940s

Foundations of Labor

Born from the union movement of the 1890s, the Australian Labor Party was formed to give the working people dignity, security and a voice in Parliament.

In 1904, Labor formed the world's first national labour government. And by 1910, after no party had managed a majority in either the House of Representatives or the Senate throughout the first decade of federal parliament, Labor broke through so spectacularly that it emerged from that year's election with clear majorities in both chambers.

Early Labor governments established lasting national foundations, including the principle of a fair wage, workers' protection and expanded democratic participation. During the Second World War and its aftermath, Labor led Australia through conflict and reconstruction, expanding social services, strengthening national institutions and building the modern Australian nation through economic renewal and post-war immigration.

"We have a great objective – the light on the hill – which we aim to reach by working for the betterment of mankind not only here but anywhere we may give a helping hand."

Ben Chifley, 1949





1970s

A Modern Australia

In 1972, after 23 years in opposition, Labor returned to government and set out to modernise Australia. The Whitlam Government pursued a bold program of reform grounded in equality, access and opportunity. Wide-ranging transformative change resulted.

Conscription ended. Medibank was introduced. Sweeping education reforms included free university tuition. New advances for women were significant. Environmental changes were innovative. Freedom of information was introduced. Urban and regional development was another new priority. Indigenous rights to land and self-determination also featured. Altered perspectives in international affairs were numerous. Culture and the arts became priorities as never before. The Whitlam government generated a decisive shift towards a fairer nation that was more inclusive and more confident.

“It’s time for a new team, a new program, a new drive for equality of opportunity. It’s time to create new opportunities for Australians, time for a new vision of what we can achieve in this generation for our nation and for the region in which we live. It’s time for a new government.”

Gough Whitlam, 1972





1980s – Present

Resilience and the Future

From the 1980s onward, Labor governments focused on modernising the economy while strengthening social protections. The Hawke and Keating era delivered enduring reforms, including universal superannuation and a strengthened Medicare system, positioning Australia for long-term growth while ensuring fairness at work.

During the Rudd–Gillard years, Labor led the nation through global and domestic challenges. Government action safeguarded Australian jobs threatened by the Global Financial Crisis. Other notable initiatives included paid parental leave and significant education reform. There was also the National Disability Insurance Scheme, the Apology to the Stolen Generations, and Australia’s first female Prime Minister.

In government today, Labor continues this tradition – building on more than a century of reform to support working Australians and shape a future defined by opportunity, security and shared prosperity.

“Head and heart will combine in a stronger and fairer future. Those children with a great education will become the deliverers of prosperity in a high wage, high skill future. Australians with disabilities will be included in our nation’s life and workplaces. Together, as a nation, we can and will be good at this. Making the right choices, even when they are hard. Being fair to each other. Building the future.”

Julia Gillard, 2012



Introduced maternity allowance • Introduced workers' compensation for Commonwealth workers • Establishment of the principle of the minimum wage • Established Medibank • Created an Office for Women and equal pay for women in the public service • The Racial Discrimination Act 1975 • Created a separate ministry responsible for Aboriginal affairs and instituting Aboriginal land rights • Introduced FM radio and pushed for the creation of 2JJ • Enacted the Family Law Act • Established the Australian Legal Aid Office • Established the National Film and Television School, the Australian Film Commission, and the Australia Council for the Arts • Established the Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service and the Australian Heritage Commission • Introduced welfare payments for homeless people • Reduced the voting age to 18 and provided the Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory with representation in the Senate • Implemented the Sex Discrimination Act • Passed the Affirmative Action (Equal Employment Opportunity for Women) Act 1986 • Launched Medicare • Floated the Australian dollar • Released the world's first Women's Budget Statement • Founded the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum • Established the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission • Adopted Advance Australia Fair as Australia's national anthem • Official recognition of green and gold as Australia's national colours • The National Superannuation Scheme • The Native Title Act • Established the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund and Indigenous Land Corporation • The Endangered Species Protection Act • The Disability Discrimination Act 1992 • Signed the Kyoto Protocol • Established the National Broadband Network • Introduced Commonwealth Paid Parental Leave • Passed the Fair Work Act and removed the WorkChoices program • Formally apologised to Australia's Indigenous peoples, in particular the Stolen Generations • Economic stimulus package to address the Global Financial Crisis • The Clean Energy Act 2011 • Major reform of disability services that established the NDIS • Created a Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse • Introduced plain packaging laws • Introduced Free TAFE • Created permanent Medicare Urgent Care Clinics • Established a \$10 billion Housing Australia Future Fund • Established a national Environment Protection Agency • Introduced 10 days paid family and domestic violence leave • Opened Endometriosis and pelvic pain clinics across the country • The Remote Jobs and Economic Development Program • Legislated the Right to Disconnect • Protected penalty rates in law • Free Trade Agreement and security and defence partnership with the EU • Expanded eligibility for the Single Parenting Payment • Banned social media accounts for kids under 16 years • Gambling advertising reform and much more.



Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge this land is the traditional lands for the Kaurna people and we respect their spiritual relationship with their country. We also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the greater Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.

We also extend that respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and other First Nations.

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Message from the Prime Minister

Welcome to the 50th National Conference of the Australian Labor Party.

We gather in Adelaide in the best democratic traditions of our movement, united in our determination to continue delivering real change for the people we serve and the country we love.

Throughout Labor's history, we have derived our strength and purpose from our enduring Australian values of fairness, aspiration and opportunity for all. Where we take pride in everything that makes this the best country on earth and dedicate ourselves to making it even better.

The platform we debate and decide here at conference will hold true to those values and meet that responsibility.

In 2025, amidst significant global uncertainty, Australians re-elected our Labor Government with a historic majority.

People put their faith in Labor to deal with the challenges of the present, in a way that builds for the demands and opportunities of the future.

A year on, that international turbulence remains and our commitment to Australians endures.

At a time when people are under real pressure, we're taking real action to help with the cost of living. The 1st of July brought another tax cut for workers, a

real increase in the minimum wage, the expansion of Paid Parental Leave to a full six months and every one of the 137 Urgent Care Clinics we have opened are now a permanent part of Medicare.

In a more volatile world, we're building Australia's resilience. Investing in the skills, fuel security, clean energy and new technology to make ourselves more self-reliant and make more things here.

And after decades of Australians feeling like the economy is not working for them, we're undertaking real structural reform to fix it. We are rebalancing the tax system to better reward people for their hard work and to give young people a fair crack at a first home.

Our 50th National Conference is a powerful reminder that all of us belong to Australia's oldest political movement.

One hundred and twenty-five years of change separates us from the Labor members who took their place in the first Commonwealth Parliament and the people whose support made their victories possible.

Today's labour movement is bigger, more equal, more diverse and more open – and stronger for all of that. Yet we are still defined by the fundamental choice our forebears made. Because at our very foundation, Labor chose democracy.

We chose to take responsibility for changing the system for the better, rather than performatively raging against it.

We chose the hard work of meaningful progress over the easy politics of blame and division.

That choice and that focus on making a positive and tangible difference to people's daily lives, guides us and drives us still.

Delivering real change is the Labor mission to which we renew our commitment here at Conference; it is the test we set for ourselves across our country and it is the pledge we make to the people of Australia.



Anthony Albanese
Prime Minister



President's Message

It is with great delight that I welcome you to my beautiful home city of Adelaide for the 50th National Conference of the Australian Labor Party. I am so very proud to work alongside you all as your incoming National President and to serve alongside Vice Presidents Mich-Elle Myers and Rhiannyn Douglas.

This Conference we will focus sharply on the opportunities and challenges we have ahead of us, and how we best use the faith the Australian public has placed in us to deliver real change and improve the future, lives and pressures that our community face.

Focussing on the future should not prevent us from drawing strength from the past. It is remarkable that our party meets like this every three years and that this conference marks the 50th time we have done so. That's 50 times committed members have travelled, debated and come up with firm plans and policies to help grow and transform Australia. It is a reminder that the Australian Labor Party is not some short-term trend.

We are not a temporary protest movement. We are not a group that offers nothing except complaint and division with no solutions. At this conference we will add to our incredibly long and proud history of standing up when it matters, offering real change and working to make a real difference to the people who rely on us.

We meet together at this conference and celebrate the re-election of the Albanese Federal Labor Government in the State where Peter Malinauskas has recently secured a massive second term victory. We do so knowing that, unlike others, we do not seek government for the sake of it. Politics for us is not a game. We know that when we are not there, good hard-working Australian's lives become harder, their needs go unheard and progress gets stalled and made harder. We have seen that repeatedly over the years with attempts to wind back Medicare, increase university fees, to go after the rights of working people through the introduction of WorkChoices. This is why we strive to win.

Winning government ensures that we can make the hard decisions that can't afford to wait. We can work to ease the pressure that families are facing now and make the ambitious changes that ensure our nation will be fairer, more responsible and setting Australia up for the future. We meet here, each knowing that too many people are struggling and the status quo is not enough. We need to endorse a plan that offers better.

We celebrate the Labor governments working to serve us all. But this conference is about more than that. This conference represents every one of you who contributes: our political leaders, our Ministers and MPs, also union leaders, the union members, the Labor party members and volunteers who work tirelessly for us and ask for nothing in return but for our

focus and hard work. Most importantly, this conference we hold first and foremost in our deliberations our voters, the people who put their faith in us to stand up and fight for them and for their lives to become just a little bit fairer, a little bit easier, with a little more opportunity.

This conference we shall stand for them all.

I look forward to the work we will do together for the next three years to make every effort and pull every lever to make Australia better stronger and fairer.

Kate Ellis
President of the ALP



Premier's Message

Delegates, welcome to South Australia for the 50th Australian Labor Party National Conference.

It is fitting that this milestone gathering is held in a state that has long occupied a special place in both the story of our movement and in the democratic history of our nation.

South Australia has never been content to simply follow the path laid by others. Time and again, our state has helped shape the future of Australia.

It was here that South Australians led the nation in extending voting rights and advancing democratic reform. It was here that universal suffrage became a reality, ensuring women could both vote and stand for Parliament decades before it became commonplace elsewhere in the world.

That spirit of progress, fairness and reform has always been at the heart of Labor's purpose.

For more than 130 years, Labor governments across Australia have transformed lives through practical action, expanding opportunity, strengthening public services, protecting workers' rights and building a more inclusive nation.

South Australia has proudly contributed to that legacy.

We remember Tom Price, a Welsh stonecutter whose unwavering commitment to the fair go and opportunity for all delivered the first public secondary schools, minimum wage rates and public transport to our state: structural changes with direct positive effects on working South Australians.

We remember Don Dunstan, and the leadership that reshaped South Australia with social reforms that helped create a more open, modern and confident society. In doing so he proved that a government that demonstrates both deep compassion and boundless ambition can achieve great and lasting change.

Throughout our history, Labor's most important and enduring achievements have never been the work of individuals alone. They have been built by generations of members, volunteers, unionists and supporters who believed that collective action could improve the lives of working people.

That remains as true today as it was when our movement was founded.

As delegates gather for this Conference, we do so at a time of both challenge and opportunity. The questions before us may be different to those faced by previous generations, but our purpose remains unchanged.

We are here to renew our commitment to fairness, aspiration and opportunity. We are here to ensure that Labor continues to be the party that governs with courage,

acts with conviction and delivers for the people we represent.

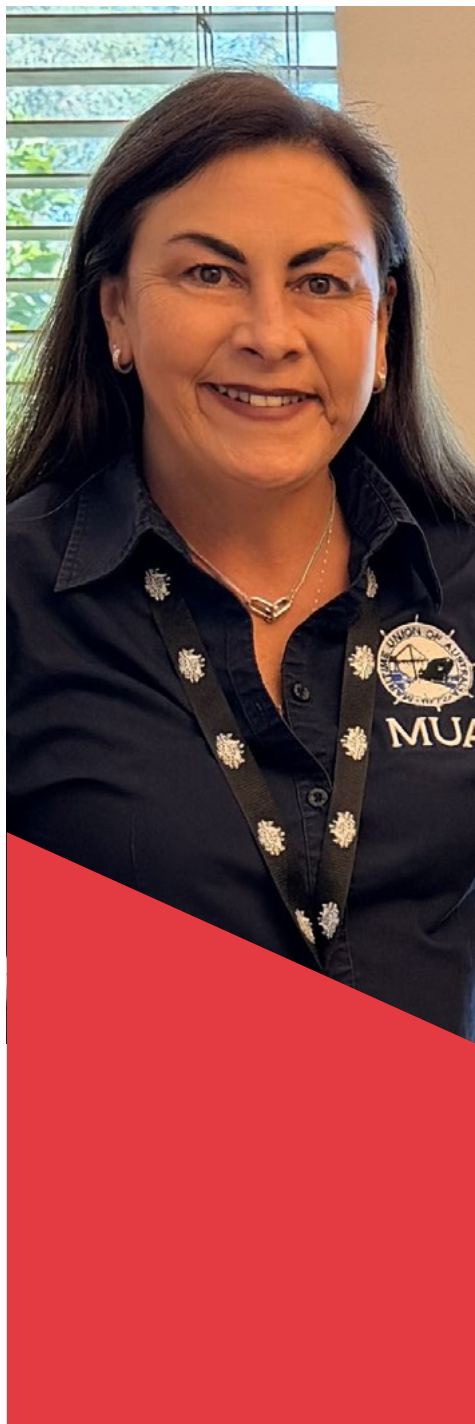
Most importantly, we are here to strengthen the movement that has done more than any other to shape modern Australia.

As we celebrate this historic 50th National Conference, let us honour those who came before us, draw inspiration from their achievements, and look confidently to the future.

While you are here, I encourage you to take the opportunity to experience all that South Australia has to offer. From our world-renowned food and wine regions to our vibrant arts, cultural and sporting events, Adelaide has earned its reputation as one of the world's most liveable cities. I hope you find time to explore our state and experience firsthand the confidence, optimism and ambition that are driving South Australia forward.

Delegates, welcome to Adelaide. Enjoy your time in South Australia and I wish everyone a successful conference.

Peter Malinauskas
Premier of South Australia



Vice President's Message

Being re-elected for a third term as Vice President of the Australian Labor Party is a honour, made even more meaningful because our party is in government and delivering for working people. This National Conference is a call to step forward with greater purpose, clarity, and responsibility.

This term is historic for our movement. For the first time, the party is led by an all-female leadership team. With Kate Ellis as our President and Rhiannyn Douglas as my co-Vice President, the Labor Party is demonstrating that women are not just participating in leadership—we define it.

Kate and Rhiannyn's experience, integrity, and commitment strengthen our movement at every level. I look forward to working collaboratively with them, and their leadership reflects the modern, inclusive, representative party we are. This moment is not symbolic; it is structural, and it signals the direction our party is choosing for its future.

This third term also carries special significance because Labor has delivered something my union, The Maritime Union of Australia, has campaigned for over decades: the first vessel in Australia's new strategic fleet. For an island nation, ships are not optional—they are essential. The MUA has long argued that Australia must never again be left vulnerable to global shocks, supply chain fragility, or foreign-flag dependency. Seeing the first strategic fleet ship delivered is a testament to the persistence of maritime workers, the strength of the union

movement, and the willingness of a Labor government to act in the national interest.

In our second term of government, we have the opportunity to be bold and brave. That means we should restore sovereign fuel security, ensuring that Australia is never again exposed to the vulnerabilities that come with relying entirely on overseas refining and foreign-controlled tankers. Reopening refineries and putting Australian-crewed tankers on our coast is not just an industrial aspiration—it is a national security imperative. It is about resilience and self-reliance, seizing on the current opportunity in helping Australians to understand that an island nation must control the vessels that keep it moving.

We must resist the attempts to automate workers out of jobs, like the plans by Dubai owned DP world to automate all their ports, which would result in the loss of thousands of good, decent, well paid jobs. And lock our children out of this career path.

Serving as Vice President during this period of delivery means ensuring the party remains connected to its grassroots and grounded in its values. Members want to see their ideas reflected in policy. Workers want to know their struggles are understood. Communities want to feel heard. My commitment in this third term is to continue strengthening the bridge between the party's organisational wing and its parliamentary leadership, ensuring that our movement remains democratic, inclusive, and progressive.

I am excited by the work ahead. And I am proud to continue serving a party that will continue to improve the lives of working people and to build a stronger, fairer, more secure Australia.

I am proud to be your Vice President again and it's a responsibility I carry with humility, determination, and a deep belief in the Labor Party's capacity to shape a better future for all of us.

Mich-Elle Myers
*Vice President of the ALP,
National Officer,
Maritime Union of Australia*



Vice President's Message

This Conference marks two extraordinary milestones for our movement: 50 National Conferences and 135 years since our great party was founded.

For more than a century, Labor members, unionists and activists have come together to debate ideas, shape policy and fight for a fairer Australia. It's a proud history, but also a reminder that every generation has a responsibility to carry our values forward and adapt them to the challenges of their time.

It is an honour to serve as Vice President of our Party alongside President Kate Ellis and my fellow Vice President Mich-Elle Myers. Together we are the first all-female national leadership team in Labor's history. As the youngest person elected to a national office within the Party, I am also conscious of the responsibility we have to ensure Labor continues to attract, engage and empower the next generation of members and activists.

Outside of my role in the Party, I am a high school teacher in Brisbane's outer suburbs. Every day I work with young people who are trying to understand what their future will look like and where they fit within it. I see students who are bright, hardworking and ambitious, but I also see the challenges facing their generation.

The rise of artificial intelligence is transforming the nature of work, housing affordability feels increasingly out of reach for many young Australians, and economic insecurity continues to place pressure on families and communities.

The Albanese Government has achieved a great deal in its first term and Australians rewarded that work with a historic re-election. But this second term is a chance for us to continue to be ambitious and ensure we are shaping Australia's future for success.

That means continuing to invest in education and skills. It means tackling housing affordability. It means backing Australian workers and industries. It means making sure that the wealth generated by our country's resources and labour is returned to the communities that create it, rather than shipped offshore to fill the pockets of multinational corporations.

Most importantly, it means ensuring that the next generation believes they will have better opportunities than the generation before them.

One of the things I love most about our Party is that we never stop challenging ourselves about how to build a better Australia. I am looking forward to hearing the fantastic motions, ideas and debates that will come before delegates at this historic Conference. Just as previous generations used these forums to shape Medicare, superannuation and countless other reforms, the discussions we have today will help shape the future of our movement and our country for the generations to come.

As we celebrate 135 years of Labor history, we should do so with pride. But we should also remember that Labor's greatest achievements have always come when we have been prepared to think big, act boldly and put working people at the centre of our decision-making.

I hope everyone has a fantastic Conference.

Rhiannyn Douglas
*Vice President of the ALP,
High School Science and Math
Teacher*

Conference in Action

The 50th ALP National Conference marks a significant milestone in the history of the Australian Labor Party, bringing together the largest democratic decision-making forum of any Australian political party.

As the Party commemorates 135 years since its formation and 125 years since the first meeting of the Federal Caucus, this landmark Conference serves as both a celebration of Labor's enduring legacy and a statement of its purpose for the years ahead.

The ALP National Conference reflects Labor's longstanding commitment to inclusive participation and collective responsibility. Over the 12 months leading up to Conference, policy ideas were developed and debated by Federal Labor Caucus, ALP branch members and affiliated trade unions through one of the most comprehensive consultative processes in Australian politics. The outcomes of that process help shape the National Platform — the document that articulates Labor's principles, values and strategic priorities for improving the lives of Australians.

The Platform adopted at the 50th National Conference will reflect the practical progress and difficult decisions delivered by government, while setting out a considered and forward-looking agenda for building a fairer and more prosperous society.

This year, **400 delegates** will gather from across Australia, representing ALP State and Territory branches and affiliated trade unions:

NSW	VIC
105	89
QLD	WA
73	45
SA	TAS
33	23
ACT	NT
9	7

Further delegates are drawn from:

- National President and Vice Presidents – **3**
- Federal Parliamentary Labor Party leaders – **4**
- Federal Parliamentary Labor Party elected delegates – **6**
- Australian Young Labor – **3**

Presided over by the National President and two Vice Presidents as non-voting officers, the Conference reflects Labor's commitment to representative and participatory democracy.

Conference delegations include elected proxy delegates who participate in Conference proceedings when required. In accordance with the Party's affirmative action rules, at least one-third of all delegates are women.

On the Conference Floor

Proceedings are guided by the National President and Vice Presidents, who oversee debate in accordance with the Standing Orders. Delegates may move amendments and resolutions to the draft National Platform, which is circulated in advance of the Conference. These proposals are debated in an orderly and structured manner and, where required, determined by vote, ensuring decisions reflect the collective will of Conference.

The Chapters

The draft 2026 National Platform is organised into seven chapters, which form the structure of Conference deliberations. Each chapter is typically introduced by the relevant portfolio Minister on behalf of the National Policy Forum, followed by debate on proposed amendments and resolutions. Where required, votes are taken and agreed outcomes are incorporated into the draft Platform.

At the close of Conference, this collective work becomes the official National Platform of the Australian Labor Party — a statement of Labor's values, priorities and vision for Australia's future.

***In solidarity,
enjoy the Conference!***

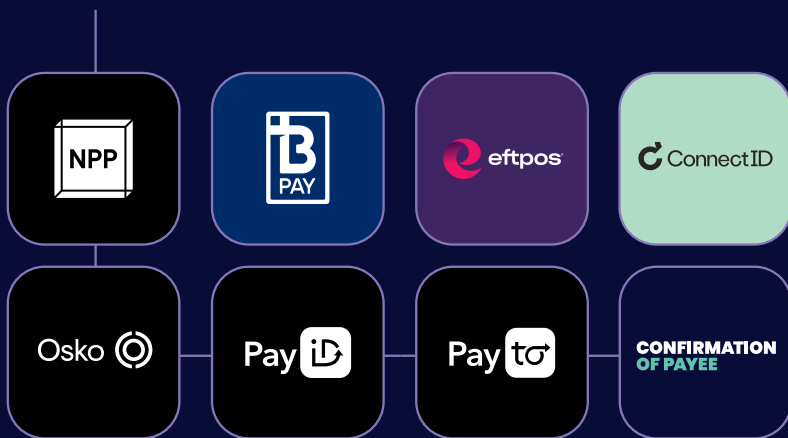


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5:00PM, THURSDAY 23RD JULY

Conference Agenda



DAY 1 Thursday 23 July

10.00am
Conference Commences

Conference Opening

Leader’s Foreword

CHAPTER 1

**An Economy That
Works For Everyone**

12.30pm
Conference Adjourns

2.00pm
Conference Resumes

CHAPTER 1 CONTINUES

CHAPTER 3

**Safeguarding Our Climate
and Environment and
Powering Australia’s Future**

4.00pm
Conference Adjourns

DAY 2 Friday 24 July	DAY 3 Saturday 25 July
10.00am Conference Resumes	10.00am Conference Resumes
CHAPTER 4 A Strong and Healthy Society	CHAPTER 7 Australia's Place in a Changing World
CHAPTER 5 Bringing People Together	CHAPTER 6 Strengthening Australian Democracy
12.30pm Conference Adjourns	
2.00pm Conference Resumes	12.30pm Conference Closes
CHAPTER 2 Opening the Doors of Opportunity	
ALP Constitution & Organisational Policies	
4.00pm Conference Adjourns	 50TH ALP National Conference 23 - 25 July, 2026

Conference Services

Registration

The Registration Desk is located in the West Foyer (Foyer F) of the Adelaide Convention Centre and will be your central point of contact throughout the conference.

Registration is open at the following times:

- Wednesday 22 July, 10:00am – 4:00pm
- Thursday 23 July to Friday 24 July, 8:00am – 4:00pm
- Saturday 25 July, 9:00am – 12:00pm

Observers are encouraged to collect their conference passes on Wednesday 22 July, or as early as possible from 8:00am on Thursday 23 July, to avoid queues and delays.

If you were unable to upload a photo during registration, you must attend the Registration Desk on Wednesday 22 July to have your photo taken before the conference commences.

Visit the Registration Desk to:

- Collect conference passes (pre-registered participants)
- Replace lost passes (Photo ID required; proof of membership required for Party and affiliated union members)
- Collect a hard copy of the Conference Agenda

Visit the Information Desk to:

- Collect your Conference Guide or Conference Agenda
- Report or enquire about lost property
- Seek directions to events and locations within the venue

The Information Desk is located in Foyer L3, immediately beyond the glass doors following registration.

Fringe: LaborEngaged'26

Join the Chifley Research Centre, event hosts and exhibitors at Labor Engaged'26 in the East Foyer (Foyer E) of the Adelaide Convention Centre.

Labor Engaged'26 is the Australian Labor Party's fringe and exhibition program. It is a space to share ideas and take part in conversations with some of Australia's leading thinkers, advocates and policymakers. The program includes panel discussions, report launches, policy roundtables and live podcasts.

To purchase tickets, visit the Fringe Registration team in the rear east corner of the Atrium Foyer.

Banners, placards and signs

Banners, placards, signs and similar items are not permitted within the Adelaide Convention Centre during the conference period.

All attendees entering the Convention Centre will be subject to walk-through security screening and bag inspections.

For security reasons, bags larger than a standard laptop bag, including suitcases and other luggage, must not be brought to the conference under any circumstances.

Accessibility

The Adelaide Convention Centre is designed to be accessible for all visitors.

The Plenary Hall includes accessible seating areas with easy access from Foyer M.

The Reset Room is available for delegates and observers who may need a quiet space to take a break during the conference. Please visit the Information Desk for directions. Plenary proceedings will be streamed to the Reset Room with audio muted and live captioning provided, enabling attendees to continue following the conference.

To support attendees with hearing impairment, plenary sessions will include Auslan interpretation via live stream.

Childcare

Childcare services are available for delegates and proxy delegates (only) with children up to six years of age.

Places must be booked in advance and are available from 9:00am – 5:00pm on Thursday 23 July and Friday 24 July, and from 9:00am – 1:00pm on Saturday 25 July.

Travel and Parking

The Adelaide Convention Centre is located on Adelaide's Riverbank Precinct, with the main entrance at 92 North Terrace.

Transport

Taxi services operate across Adelaide and can drop off and pick up passengers at the North Terrace and Morphett Street Bridge entrances.

To book a taxi, call 13 22 11, 13 10 08 or 13 22 27.

Adelaide Railway Station is approximately a two-minute walk from the Convention Centre. Tram services operate directly outside the station.

The free City Connector bus services (routes 98C and 98A) also stop nearby.

Parking

Two undercover car parks (North Terrace and Riverbank) provide direct access to the Convention Centre.

Accessible parking spaces are available on each level of both car parks and are located close to lift access points.

Both car parks are cashless and accept card payments only.

For public transport information, visit the Adelaide Metro website.

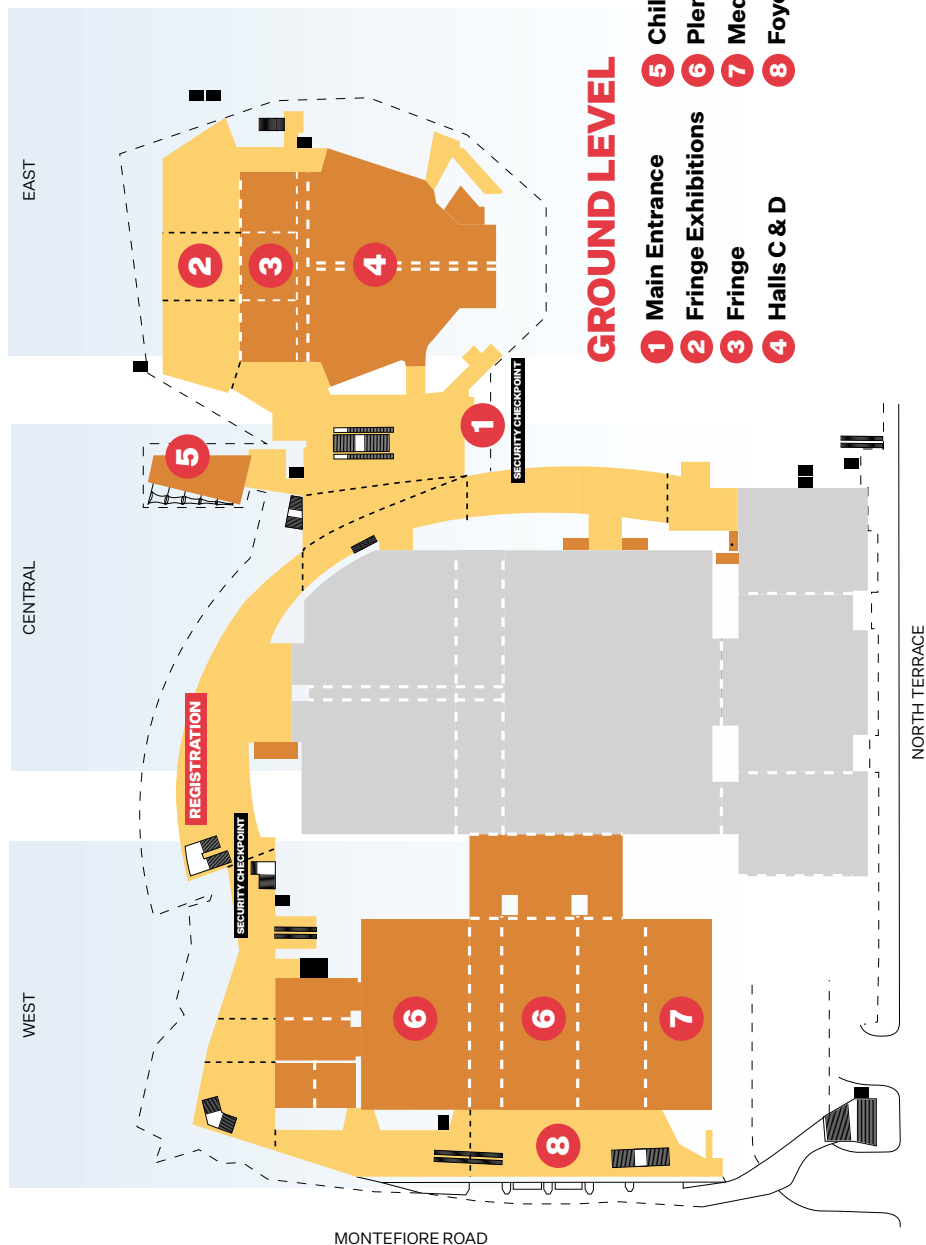
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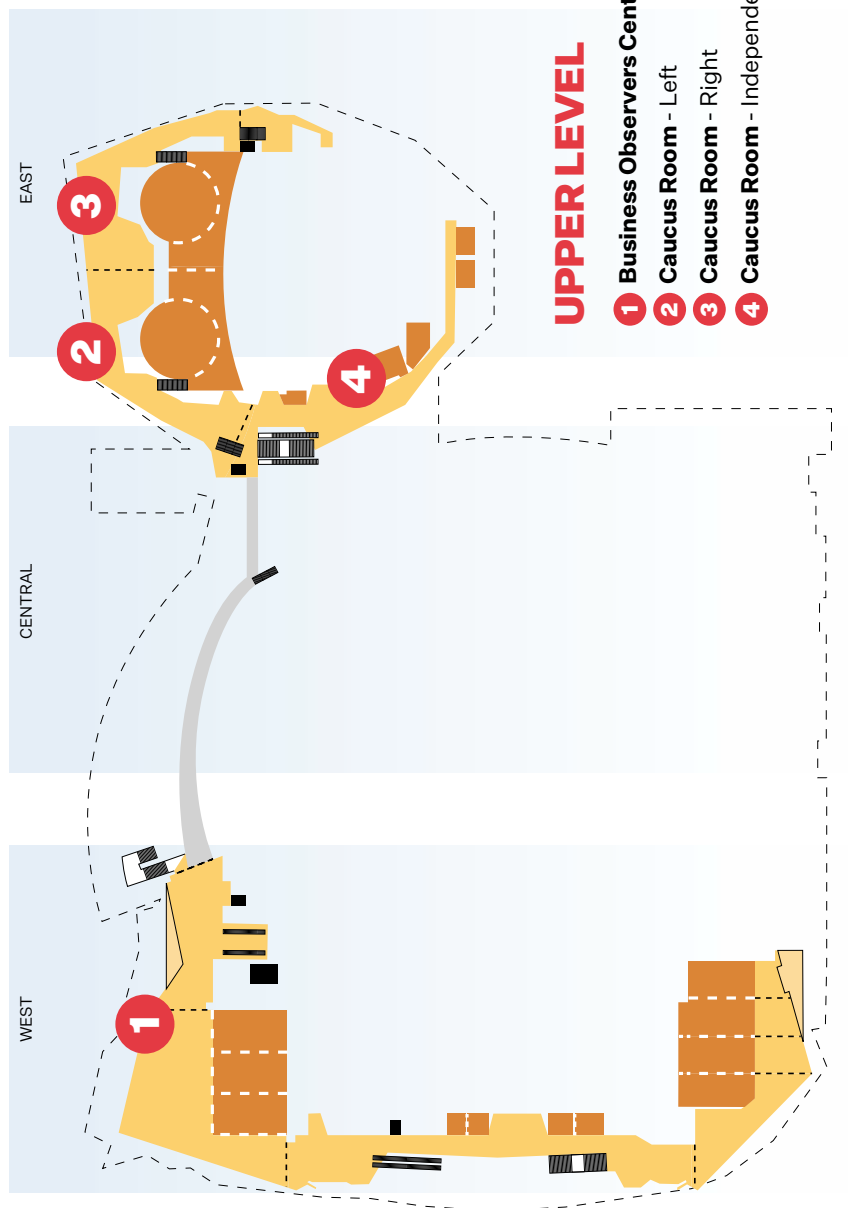
All attendees must be pre-registered to enter the conference.

Delegates, observers and media representatives must wear their conference pass at all times. You may be asked to present your conference pass by security personnel at any time.

Large bags, suitcases and luggage are not permitted within the venue. Unattended bags may be removed.

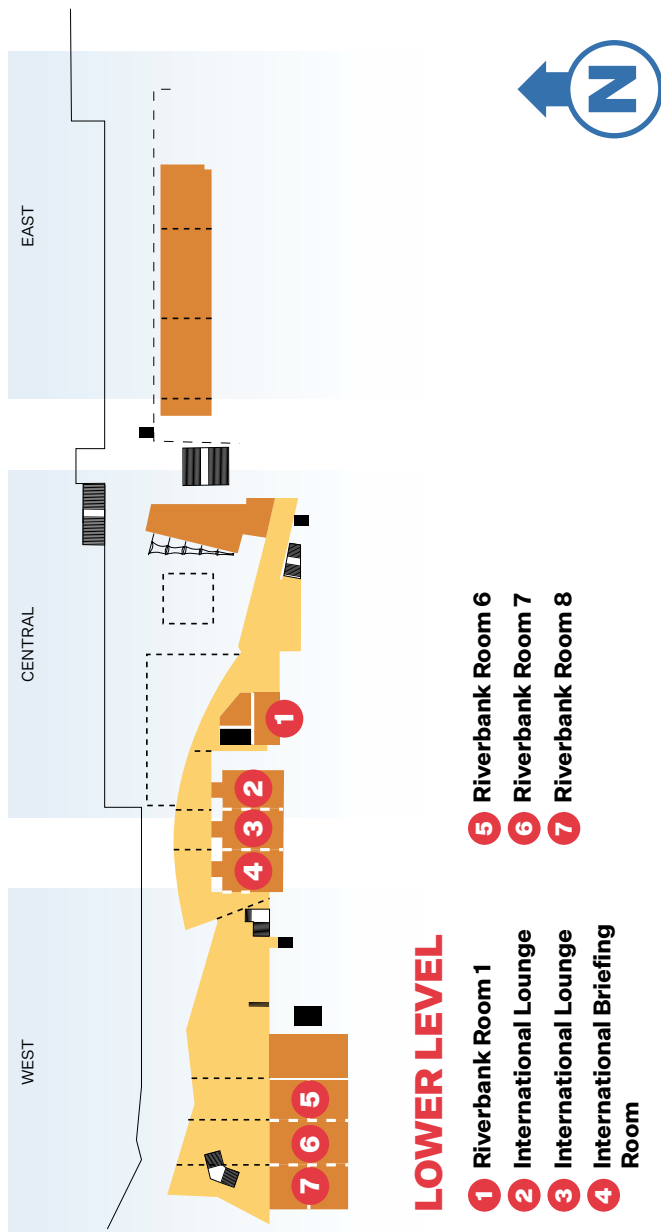
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UPPER LEVEL

- 1** Business Observers Centre
- 2** Caucus Room - Left
- 3** Caucus Room - Right
- 4** Caucus Room - Independents



LOWER LEVEL

- 1 Riverbank Room 1
- 2 International Lounge
- 3 International Lounge
- 4 International Briefing Room
- 5 Riverbank Room 6
- 6 Riverbank Room 7
- 7 Riverbank Room 8

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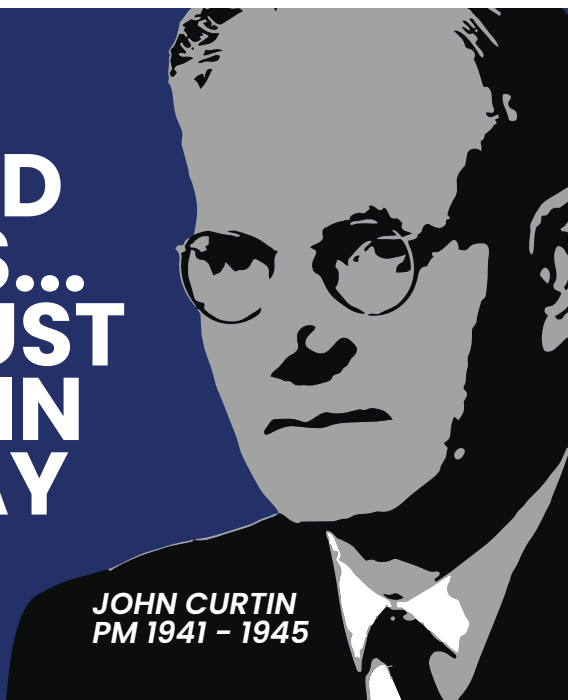




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The Hon. Bill Hayden AC

23 January 1933 – 21 October 2023

**Member for Oxley, Queensland
(1961–1988)**

Leader of the Opposition (1977–1983)

Governor-General (1989–1996)

Bill Hayden was a central figure in modern Labor history, whose influence shaped a generation of reform.

Elected to Parliament in 1961, he served with distinction across nearly three decades, including as Minister for Social Security and Treasurer in the Whitlam Government.

As Leader of the Opposition from 1977 to 1983, Bill laid much of the policy foundation that would later underpin the Hawke Government's reform agenda. His intellect, discipline and commitment to economic and social reform were widely recognised across the Party.

Following Labor's election in 1983, he served as Minister for Foreign Affairs, before being appointed Governor-General in 1989. In that role, he continued his distinguished service to the nation with dignity and independence.

Bill Hayden's legacy is one of deep conviction, public service and lasting contribution to both the Labor Party and Australia.



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The Hon. Gerry Hand

9 August 1939–12 November 2023

Member for Melbourne, Victoria (1983–1993)

Gerry Hand was a principled and compassionate Labor representative who served the people of Melbourne and the nation with distinction.

Elected in 1983, he went on to serve in the Hawke Government, including as Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and later in Immigration and Ethnic Affairs. In these roles, he was a strong advocate for disadvantaged communities, earning deep respect among Indigenous and multicultural Australians.

Gerry was known for his integrity and unwavering commitment to his beliefs. His contribution to public life reflected a genuine concern for fairness and inclusion.

He is remembered as a thoughtful and dedicated servant of the labour movement.



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Peta Murphy MP

14 January 1973 – 4 December 2023

Member for Dunkley (2019–2023)

Peta Murphy brought determination, warmth and courage to her role as the Member for Dunkley.

In a relatively short time in Parliament, she made a profound impact through her advocacy and commitment, with a particular focus on strengthening gambling reform.

Peta was widely respected across the Parliament for her strength, generosity of spirit and focus on improving the lives of others.

Following the return of her cancer diagnosis, Peta continued her work with remarkable resolve, championing the establishment of a national registry for metastatic cancer patients.

Peta is remembered for her courage, her compassion, and her determination to make a difference.



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Senator Linda White

15 August 1950 – 1 March 2024

Senator for Victoria (2022–2024)

Linda White was a formidable advocate for working people and a deeply respected figure within the labour movement.

Linda served for many years on the ALP National Executive, including as its longest-serving female member, contributing with integrity and conviction to the Party's internal debates and direction.

She was a tireless campaigner for workers' rights, equal pay, and gender equality, and played a key role in advancing reforms in these areas. Her work reflected a lifelong commitment to fairness and justice.

She is remembered for her strength, her clarity of purpose, and her enduring contribution to the Party.



John Mildren OAM

20 October 1932 – 25 April 2024

Member for Ballarat, Victoria (1980 – 1990)

John Mildren served as the Federal Member for Ballarat from 1980 to 1990, representing his community with dedication and integrity.

Prior to entering Parliament, he built a distinguished career in education, including as a senior lecturer and Head of the Department of School and Community Studies at the Ballarat College of Advanced Education.

Throughout his life, John championed the transformative power of education and worked tirelessly to create opportunities for others.

In Parliament, John was a respected colleague who brought intelligence and compassion to parliamentary debates.

John's service to the Australian community was recognised in 2018 when he was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia.

John's contribution to Ballarat, the labour movement and Australian public life will be long remembered.



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The Hon. Dr Rosemary Crowley AO

30 July 1938 – 1 March 2025

Senator for South Australia (1983 – 2002)

Dr Rosemary Crowley was a trailblazer for women in the Labor Party and in public life.

Elected to the Senate in 1983, she became the first Labor woman from South Australia to serve in the federal Parliament and was elected to the Keating Ministry in 1993.

During her time in government, she was a strong advocate for health, families and women's rights.

A medical practitioner by training, Rosemary brought expertise and compassion to her work, contributing to key social reforms and championing greater participation of women in politics and sport.

Her legacy is one of service, leadership and lasting contribution to equality and social justice.



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The Hon. Graham Richardson AO

14 November 1949 – 8 November 2025

Senator for New South Wales (1983 – 1994)

Graham Richardson was elected to the Senate in 1983 and served until 1994, playing a central role in the Hawke and Keating Governments as a senior Cabinet Minister.

His ministerial responsibilities spanned key portfolios including Environment, Social Security, Transport and Communications, and Health.

As Minister for the Environment, he played a key role in advancing Australia's conservation agenda, including the protection and international recognition of significant natural areas.

In 2020, he was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in recognition of his service.

Graham's legacy is one of lasting impact on Australia's political landscape and public policy.



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The Hon. Nick Bolkus

17 July 1950 – 25 December 2025

Senator for South Australia (1981 – 1996)

Nick Bolkus was a significant figure in the Hawke and Keating Governments, serving in a range of senior ministerial roles.

Elected to the Senate in 1980, Nick went on to hold portfolios including Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, Consumer Affairs and Administrative Services. He played an important role in shaping multicultural policy and strengthening consumer protections.

Nick was known for his strong advocacy and commitment to effective government.

Nick is remembered for his substantial contribution to public life and to the Labor Party.



Patti Warn

17 August 1944 – 28 March 2026

Former ALP State Secretary, Tasmania (1976 – 1980)

Patti Warn, a remarkable Labor woman whose contribution to Australian public life spanned decades and left a lasting legacy.

Patti was a trailblazer, serving as the first female State Secretary of the Tasmanian Branch of the Australian Labor Party and later becoming a respected political adviser, campaign strategist and advocate for progressive reform. Her distinguished career included service to Prime Minister Gough Whitlam and a number of senior federal ministers, as well as significant contributions to election campaigns, public broadcasting and community organisations.

A passionate believer in the labour movement and the values it represents, Patti combined sharp political insight with unwavering commitment to public service. Her work in health and aged care policy helped shape important reforms and paved the way for future generations of women in politics and public life.

Patti remained engaged in public debate throughout her life, generously sharing her knowledge and experiences, including her unique firsthand perspective on pivotal moments in Australia's political history.



Tim Picton

21 August 1989 – 19 January 2026

Former ALP State Secretary, Western Australia

Tim Picton made a significant contribution to the Labor Party and to the labour movement particularly in Western Australia.

As WA ALP State Secretary, he served the Party with dedication, integrity and a strong sense of purpose.

Tim was widely respected for his leadership and commitment to the organisation and its people.

Tim is remembered as a valued colleague and a deeply respected member of the Labor family.



Trish Crossin AM

21 March 1956 – 13 April 2026

Senator for the Northern Territory (1998 – 2013)

Trish Crossin AM, was a proud Territorian, dedicated Labor representative and tireless advocate for working people, women and regional communities.

She served the Northern Territory in the Australian Senate from 1998 to 2013, bringing to Parliament a deep commitment to fairness and opportunity. Throughout her parliamentary career, she was a respected and hardworking representative who ensured the voices and interests of Territorians were heard in the national debate –always maintaining her strong beliefs in social justice.

Before entering Parliament, Trish worked as a teacher and union organiser, experiences that shaped her lifelong commitment to education, workers' rights, community service and those facing disadvantage.

Trish was a passionate advocate for women's participation in public life and championed policies that sought to improve the lives of families and young people.

In recognition of her significant contribution to public life and the Australian community, Trish was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 2023.

Her contribution to the labour movement and to the Northern Territory will be long remembered.

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Kay Denman

22 July 1937 – 20 April 2026

Senator for Tasmania (1993 – 2005)

Kay Denman dedicated her working life to public service and community and left an enduring mark on Tasmania and the nation.

Kay was appointed to the Australian Senate in 1993 and served until 2005. She represented Tasmania with a great deal of integrity and diligence.

Her work across numerous committees reflected a deep compassion and concern for community wellbeing and fairness, and she was widely respected for her principled contributions.

Before her parliamentary career, Kay strengthened her community through roles in the labour movement and as Manager of the Devonport Community Legal Centre.

Kay Denman will be remembered as a tireless advocate and a woman of quiet determination. Her legacy lives on in the institutions she served and the people whose lives she touched.



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The Hon. Peter Morris OAM

29 July 1932 – 26 April 2026

Member for Shortland, New South Wales (1972 – 1998)

Peter Morris OAM dedicated more than a quarter of a century to public service as the Member for Shortland.

Peter served his community and the nation with distinction, holding a range of senior ministerial roles, including Minister for Transport, Aviation, Resources and Industrial Relations during the Hawke Government – along with various Minister Assisting portfolios.

Before entering federal parliament, Peter served as an alderman on Newcastle City Council, reflecting a lifelong commitment to his local community. Peter was well known for his energy, strong convictions and tireless advocacy and was a respected figure across the political spectrum.

Following his ministerial service, he continued to contribute through parliamentary committee work, including chairing the House Standing Committee on Transport, Communications and Infrastructure, helping to drive important reforms in shipping and safety standards.

Peter Morris was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2012 in recognition of his service.



The Hon. Michael Tate AO

6 July 1945 – 6 June 2026

Member for Tasmania (1978 – 1993)

The Hon. Michael Tate AO was a man whose life was defined by public service, intellectual rigour, compassion and an enduring commitment to social justice.

Michael Tate was appointed to the Australian Senate in 1978, serving until 1993 and holding a number of ministerial portfolios, including Minister for Justice and Minister for Justice and Consumer Affairs.

Throughout his parliamentary career he was respected across political divides for his principled advocacy and deep understanding of public policy.

Michael continued his service to Australia as Ambassador to The Holy See and to The Hague before embarking on a new chapter in life through the Catholic priesthood.

Following his ordination in 2000, Father Michael Tate served communities across southern Tasmania with the same dedication and humanity that had characterised his political career.

Whether in public office, diplomacy or pastoral ministry, he sought to improve the lives of others maintaining the values of dignity and compassion.

He leaves a lasting legacy in public life and the communities he served so faithfully. He will be remembered as a gifted communicator, a thoughtful leader and a generous mentor to many.



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Reflections on Reconciliation Action Platform 2026



**Jason Douglas –
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This artwork was created collaboratively at the Inaugural 2026 National Indigenous Labor Conference. It reflects the collective voices, experiences, and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members nationwide, united by commitments to leadership, community, and social justice. Central to the 2026 RAP, it symbolises connection to Country, culture, and land, and embodies collaboration, respect, and shared responsibility, honouring all who contributed to its creation.

The Australian Labor Party's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) reflects Labor's commitment to advancing reconciliation through meaningful action, respectful relationships and stronger engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities.

As we continue our reconciliation journey, increasing awareness of the RAP across all levels of the Party remains a key priority. The RAP provides a framework for embedding reconciliation into the way we work, engage with communities and develop policy. It also reinforces Labor's commitment to recognising the unique place of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia.

Building awareness begins with ensuring party members, staff, elected representatives and affiliated organisations understand the purpose of the RAP and the commitments it contains. Through regular communications, party events, conferences and training opportunities, we can strengthen understanding of reconciliation and encourage active participation in our RAP initiatives.

The RAP promotes greater cultural awareness, understanding and perspectives by encouraging engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures.

National Reconciliation Week, NAIDOC Week and local community events provide important opportunities to celebrate First Nations cultures, acknowledge truth-telling and strengthen relationships across our movement.

Leadership at every level of the Party plays an important role in championing the RAP. By demonstrating commitment through action, participation and advocacy, Labor representatives help foster a culture where reconciliation is recognised as a shared responsibility and an ongoing priority.

The RAP also seeks to elevate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander voices within the Party, creating opportunities for greater participation, leadership and

representation. By recognising and celebrating the contributions of First Nations members, Labor strengthens its connection to communities and supports the development of future leaders.

Awareness is not simply about understanding the RAP—it is about encouraging action. Through ongoing education, engagement and accountability, the Australian Labor Party continues to build a stronger culture of reconciliation ensuring the commitments outlined in the RAP translate into meaningful outcomes.

Together, we can advance reconciliation, strengthen relationships and contribute to a fairer and more inclusive Australia for all.



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In 2026, our program covers issues from the challenges and opportunities of AI, Australia's progress in addressing climate change, fixing the housing crisis, human rights and international law, energy security, workers' rights, and making Australia the best place to raise a family.

We will launch Labor's Indigenous Pathways to Politics program, and feature live podcasts from Per Capita, Socially Democratic and the ALP.

This will be the 50th National Conference of the Australian Labor Party, and marks 135 years since the birth of our movement in Australia. LaborEngaged'26 will include a number of events looking at the history and development of the ALP.

The Prime Minister will launch an updated history of the ALP, *The Light on the Hill*, by renowned author Ross McMullin, on the first evening of LaborEngaged'26, while a major new interactive exhibition will look at the history of Australian Labor since European settlement and its unequalled role in building our nation.

With attendance from Ministers and their staff, community and non-profit leaders, researchers and international visitors, LaborEngaged'26 is your destination for the big conversations about how Labor is delivering real change to build a better future for all Australians.

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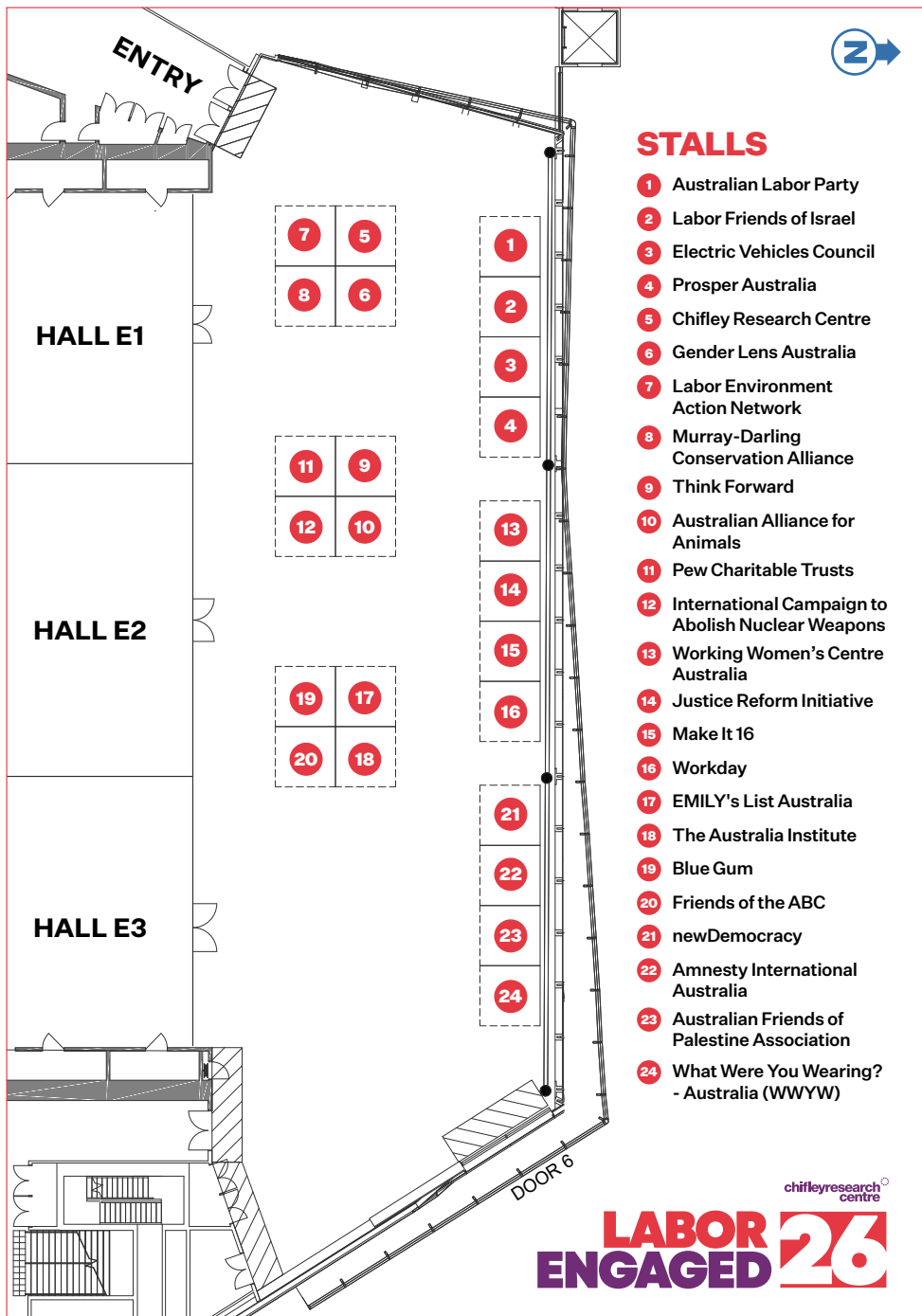
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Thursday 23 July

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TIME	ROOM ONE	ROOM TWO	ROOM THREE
12.00pm	Monash University Unshackled: the convict origins of Australian unions and democracy	SDA Unlocking opportunity for Young Australians	United Workers Union Migration, the visa system and the care economy
1.00pm	ACT Indigenous Labor Network Wave Hill Walk-off 60th Anniversary - Indigenous Rights and the labour movement	Brotherhood of St Laurence Why we need official poverty measures	Jessica Miscamble How the Fair Work Act perpetuates the male breadwinner model
2.00pm	Labor Academy Catalysing the rank and file	John Curtin Research Centre Defending Australia: A National Artificial Intelligence Sovereign Capability and Security Agenda for the 21st Century	Rail, Tram and Bus Union Freight on rail
3.00pm	The Socially Democratic Live Podcast Growing and Reaching More ALP Membership	The Australia Institute A 3-point plan for gas: How Australia can lower energy prices, support manufacturing and reduce emissions	Working Class Women Talk Roundtable
4.00pm	Labor Against War and The Australia Institute A public inquiry into AUKUS	Council on the Ageing A Fair Go at Every Age: Dignity in Retirement Beyond the Generational Divide	Centre for Indigenous People and Work Does a Rising Tide Lift All Boats? Gender equality employment policy reforms that work for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women

TIME	FRINGE MAIN SPACE
5.00pm	Book Launch: The Light on the Hill – sponsored by Slater & Gordon
6.00pm	ALP The Program – Live Podcast

Program

Friday 24 July



TIME	FRINGE MAIN SPACE		
Breakfast	Labor Indigenous Political Pathways Launch		
TIME	ROOM ONE	ROOM TWO	ROOM THREE
9.00am	Labor for an Australian Republic Group An Australian Republic by 2032	Katherine Hudson Solidarity Forever? How Australian Trade Unions are Making Sense of Technology-Led Job Obsolescence	Australian Labor Party National Secretariat Yarning Circle
10.00am	ACTU and APHEDA Lessons and reflections from the Myanmar union movement's struggle for democracy	Victorian TAFE Association and Victorian Trades Hall Council Antidote: how to fight the populist right	Unionists for a Job Guarantee Labor and a Union Job Guarantee for Full Employment
11.00am	Business Council of Cooperatives and Mutuals What Australia can learn from the UK's agenda of doubling the co-operative and mutual economy	Google AI Connect Academy	Electrical Trades Union Powering the future
12.00pm	McKell Institute I'm a progressive – now what?!	Australian Institute for Machine Learning AI and the Future of Labor	LEAN and the Superpower Institute A step change in Australia's emissions reductions: getting polluters to pay
1.00pm	Friends of the ABC and Alliance for Journalists' Freedom Rebuilding trust in the news and democracy	Senator Tony Sheldon AI, Productivity and the Workplace	The Sunrise Project Climate and Energy: What do voters think?
2.00pm	Dee Madigan The algorithm is not your friend - but it could be!	Chifley Research Centre How to make Australia the best place to raise a family	LEAN & Smart Energy Council Decarbonising the world: COP31 and Australia's opportunity

Friday 24 July Program continues

Program

Friday 24 July



TIME	ROOM ONE	ROOM TWO	ROOM THREE
3.00pm	Chifley Research Centre, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung and friends International Panel	United Workers Union Early Childhood Education and Care	OzHarvest and Circular Australia Rethinking Food 'Waste': A Circular Economy Opportunity
4.00pm	Global Citizen and Labor for Aid The Future of Australian Aid - How Labor can Build a Safer World for All	SNAICC Commitment to early education and care key to Closing the Gap	Smart Energy Council and ETU Renewables and the Culture War: Power Prices, Populism and the Road to 2028
5.00pm	Association for the Promotion of International Law Australia's International Law obligations	LaTrobe University Unlocking Opportunity: education reform for equity, excellence and impact.	Electric Vehicle Council Electricity is cheaper than petrol and diesel: the case for electrifying our cars, trucks and busses

TIME THE JADE, 142-160 FLINDERS ST, ADELAIDE

5.15pm **Socially Democratic** – Feeney Files with Jessie McCrone – Live!

TIME FRINGE MAIN SPACE

6.00pm **Per Capita** – Burning Platforms Live

Program

Saturday 25 July



TIME	FRINGE MAIN SPACE		
Breakfast	John Curtin Research Centre: Launch of Manufacturing Homes: A National Strategy for Solving Australia's Housing Crisis with Minister for Housing, Homelessness and Cities, Clare O'Neil MP		
TIME	ROOM ONE	ROOM TWO	ROOM THREE
9.00am	Pharmacy Guild Indigenous health outcomes; In conversation with Linda Burney	National Shelter National Shelter policy launch	Rail, Tram and Bus Union It's a bloody mess! Fighting for clean, safe and accessible facilities for transport workers
10.00am	Asylum Seeker Resource Centre A fair go to rebuild - work and study rights for refugees	Homelessness Australia Australia's homelessness emergency: What will it take to shift the dial?	EMILY's List 30 years of getting women elected
11.00am	Australian Labor Rainbow Network LGBTIQ+ Rights in Australia	RMIT How to Grow Australia's Social Housing System At Scale - Coordinating finance, construction and institutions	Working Women's Centre Australia Our Silence is Not for Sale: How do we end the silencing of women who want to speak up about workplace issues?
12.00pm	Labor Enabled The Inclusion Revolution: Advocate, Include & Empower Disabled Voices	Labor for Housing Safe as Houses - Next Frontiers for Labor's Housing Policy	Single Mother Families Australia Why are we so excited about the Audit of Government Systems?
1.00pm	MEAA Child's Play: Developing a lifelong love for arts and culture in Australia	Elizabeth Reid Network SA Launch and Conference Gathering	Australian Services Union and Unions NSW Don't Subpoena Our Support (Campaign to support survivors of sexual assault)
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PANEL DISCUSSION

Migration, the visa system and the care economy

Thursday 23 July, 1pm – 1.50pm, Room One

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Join us for a panel discussion on how the Aged Care Industry Labour Agreement (ACILA) creates the best-practice model that Labor must extend to other industries.



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Ed Husic MP

Labor Member for Chifley



Dr Richard Denniss

Co-CEO, The Australia Institute

A 3-POINT PLAN FOR GAS

How Australia can lower energy
prices, support manufacturing,
and reduce emissions

3PM / ROOM 2

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4PM / ROOM 1



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A Fair Go at Every Age: Dignity in Retirement beyond the Generational Divide

Thursday 23 July

**4.00pm – 4.50pm
Fringe Room Two**

Public debate about retirement in Australia is increasingly framed as a contest between generations.

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Panellists:

The Hon. Christopher Pyne, COTA Australia Independent Chair

Misha Schubert, Super Members Council CEO

Thomas Walker, Economist and CEO of Think Forward

Anne Burgess AM, COTA Policy Committee Member

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Labor Indigenous Political Pathways (LIPP) Launch

With Hosts:
Aunty Linda Burney
&
Thomas Mayo



ALP National Conference

FRIDAY 24TH JULY

8:00AM (LIGHT BREAKFAST PROVIDED)

CONFERENCE VENUE, ADELAIDE CONVENTION

CENTRE - ROOM ONE

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Panel discussion: An Australian Republic by 2032

Join barrister Leah Marrone and LFAR Founder Daniel White for a discussion about an Australian Republic by 2032 at the 50th ALP National Conference.

Friday 24 July 2026, 9am

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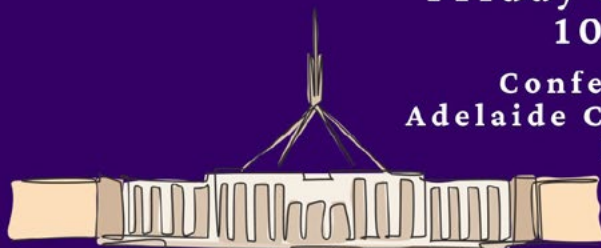


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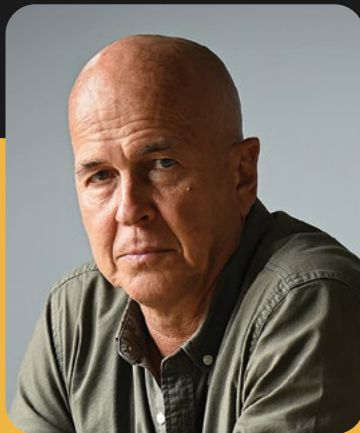


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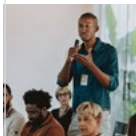
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Designed by Google experts specifically for the needs of political leaders and union delegates, this bespoke training will help you learn how to leverage AI to boost your personal productivity and address the challenges you work on responsibly and safely.

We will share examples of how AI is being deployed locally to help solve uniquely Australian challenges, including climate change, biodiversity, and advance medical research. Come and meet the Aussie Google team and get a point of contact for your team.

11 - 11.50am

Friday 24 July

Room Two

What you'll learn



Boosting productivity with AI

Transform how you work using AI as a supportive partner to free up time for valuable strategic work.



The art of prompting

Write effective prompts, ranging from streamlining legislative research to speeding up daily administration to speech writing and correspondence.



Best practices for responsible AI use

Identify bias, ensure data sovereignty, and keep the "human-in-the-loop" of decision-making.



Organisation and office applications

Learn how to drive organisational efficiencies with AI. Create a practical roadmap for adopting AI tools safely.



AI definitions

Understand AI definitions, types, and how the technology works.



Ready to get started on your AI journey?
Join us 11am on 24 July in Room Two at Fringe

THE ALGORITHM IS NOT YOUR FRIEND

(But It Could Be)

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Dee Madigan
2pm Friday, 24 July
Room One



The algorithm rewards outrage, fear, and us-vs-them narratives. The extreme right doesn't have to game the system. Their content *is* the system.

The good news? The algorithm isn't magic. It's just maths. And maths can be beaten.

Come and learn how to win in a world where democracy dies in comment sections.

(Attendance is not algorithmically optimised. You'll have to just show up.)

RETHINKING FOOD 'WASTE': A CIRCULAR ECONOMY OPPORTUNITY

Friday 24 July • 3pm - 3:40pm • Fringe Room 3

One-third of all food produced in Australia goes to waste, costing the economy \$36.6 billion annually. With Australia developing its first National Food Security Strategy, and a growing focus on food waste ahead of COP31, there's an opportunity for Australia to be a world leader by placing food waste reduction at the heart of a more resilient, circular food system.

Join us for a practical, solutions-focused discussion on how to turn waste into value while driving Australia's circular economy transition.

Hear from a panel of expert speakers



Renee Coffey MP
Member for Griffith



Sarah Flomersfeld
Head of Advocacy,
Community and Education
OzHarvest



Jo Taranto
Environmental Strategist
Circular Australia

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Australians want stronger animal welfare laws. Labor can lead the way.

With over 2 million collective supporters, the Australian Alliance for Animals is working to build a modern animal welfare system that reflects Australian values.

Visit our exhibition stall to explore:

- **New polling insights** on Australian attitudes to animal welfare
- **Independent economic analysis** on the business case for a new national model
- **Key priority issues** for our member organisations



Our core member organisations:



Humane
World for
Animals.



PANEL DISCUSSION

**Early Childhood Education and
Care: a public good**

Friday 24 July, 3pm – 3.50pm, Room Two

Make childcare public and free.

The market has failed. Why should our youngest children get anything less than all our other education systems? It's time for governments to step up.

Join us for an expert panel on the urgent need for publicly-run, well-funded early education and care.



Australia's role in a world of growing nuclear risks

Nuclear weapons risks are on the rise... Labor has an opportunity to make a real impact by signing the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) in this term of government.

✦ Chat to us about the TPNW at stall #12 in the Fringe Exhibition Space.

✦ Join the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN).

✦ Get a photo with ICAN's Nobel Peace Prize.



Incarceration rates are **increasing** nationally, but this **is not** making our communities safer.

Let's talk about what **actually** works at the Justice Reform Initiative stall at the 50th ALP National Conference.



Find out more about JRI at:
justicereforminitiative.org.au

Care about our environment? Want fair, fast climate action?



JOIN US AT LEAN



LEAN Labor Environment
Action Network

COMMON WEALTH

PROSPERITY IS CREATED TOGETHER

The Rewards Should Be Shared

Australia's rising land values aren't created by individual effort — they come from public investment, economic growth, infrastructure and community: the common wealth we build together.

Yet our tax system increasingly rewards passive windfall gains, while younger Australians bear

rising housing costs and heavier economic burdens.

Intergenerational fairness requires tax reform that returns socially created wealth back to society.

Prosper Australia has argued this since 1890. The case has never been stronger.

SHARED PROSPERITY STARTS WITH FAIR TAX REFORM ► prosper.org.au

BUILDING ON LABOR'S MARINE PARK LEGACY

The Australian Labor Party has been a global leader in protecting our vast ocean estate.

The Gillard Government created the world's largest network of marine parks. But the incoming Abbott Government gutted the parks from the inside – removing half the sanctuary protection. This was the biggest cutback in protection the world has ever seen.

The Albanese Government has expanded on Labor's ocean legacy, delivering massive increases in sanctuary protection for Australia's Sub-Antarctic Islands and south-east waters.

Now, the parks that were slashed are up for review, and the Albanese Government has committed to protecting at least 30% of its waters in highly protected sanctuaries by 2030.

Be part of building on Labor's proud marine parks legacy.



SAVE OUR MARINE LIFE
saveourmarinelife.org.au

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ENDING VIOLENCE

STARTS WITH LISTENING TO VICTIM-SURVIVORS.



What Were You Wearing? Australia is an Indigenous, youth-led charity working to **end sexual violence** through advocacy, awareness, and education.

We operate at the intersection of survivor voice and systems change—challenging harmful narratives, informing policy, and driving meaningful reform.

Alongside our national advocacy work, we deliver free Survivor Healing Groups—trauma-informed spaces that support connection, recovery, and long-term wellbeing. Because ending violence requires both systemic reform and survivor support.



LEARN MORE OR SUPPORT
OUR WORK HERE



A fair go to rebuild – work and study rights for refugees

🕒 Saturday 25 July, from 10am until 10.50am

📍 Room One, Adelaide Convention Centre

Many people seeking asylum in the community currently do not have the ongoing right to work or study. This impacts their ability to rebuild their lives with dignity, contribute their skills and talents to the Australian workforce and community, and reach their full potential.

Australia as a whole is enriched when people can reach their potential and have the chance to contribute, participate and rebuild their lives.

To learn more about why work and study rights matter, join Jana Favero, Deputy CEO at ASRC, in discussion with:

- Union representatives, including representatives from the ETU
- Employers
- People with lived experience



OUR SILENCE IS NOT FOR SALE:

HOW DO WE END THE SILENCING OF WOMEN WHO WANT TO SPEAK UP ABOUT WORKPLACE ISSUES?



Saturday, 25 July 2026
11:00 - 11:50am
Location: Room Three

*When we say women, we are inclusive of all women — including trans women, as well as non-binary and gender non-conforming people who face gendered disadvantage. We recognise that gender inequality is shaped by intersecting systems of power, and we take an intersectional approach to all of our work.

Bad-faith employers and perpetrators often use legal instruments and tactics to silence women who have faced sexual harassment and/or discrimination at work. They are designed to stop public participation and women from speaking up.

Some of these silencing tactics include:

- **The use of non-disclosure agreements (NDAs):** usually seen as 'confidentiality' or 'non-disparagement' clauses in a settlement; and
- **Defamation:** threats of or commencement of defamation proceedings by alleged perpetrators to silence women who have been subjected to sexual harassment or sexual violence.

When we silence women in the workplace, we stop progress. How can we improve workplaces, if we're not talking about the issues? Women need to be able to tell their stories, to speak up, to warn others, to demand change.

This panel discussion brings together lived experience activists, lawyers and advocates to examine the legal, cultural, and institutional conditions required to make speaking up genuinely safe, supported, and effective in workplaces. Drawing on existing and emerging policy reform and survivor advocacy, the session asks what is required to shift responsibility away from individuals' and toward perpetrators, and organisational accountability and prevention by employers.



Don't Subpoena Our Support

#KeepCounsellingConfidential

In this growing national campaign, we've been fighting to stop defence lawyers from being able to subpoena the counselling notes of people who have experienced sexual violence.

This is then used to humiliate and retraumatise victims.

At this ALP National Conference, come and stand with survivors, and hear about our campaign.

**Room Three
1PM, Saturday 25 July 2026**





The Media, Entertainment & Arts Alliance presents:

Child's Play

Developing a lifelong love for arts and culture in Australia

ROOM 1  **1PM**  **SATURDAY 25 JULY**

Featuring performances by young musicians, this event will demonstrate why governments across Australia should adopt the principle of lifelong participation in the arts as a core part of cultural policy.

Learn more





When voters don't feel heard, their votes go to the fringes

Give them a better option

Studies show Australians value democracy, but they want decision-making done differently.

Citizens' Assemblies invite a random group of Australians to think together to find common ground on contentious policy questions. They support leaders by identifying a broader range of reforms that everyday people can stand behind.

Give Australians a say between election days with **Citizens' Assemblies**.

Because voters want to be heard, not just counted

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📍 Visit us in the exhibition hall

Sources: *2025 Australian Election Study, ANU/Griffith University (2025); *Understanding community discourses about democracy*, Scanlon Foundation Research Institute (2024); *How One Nation Went from Fringe to Mainstream in Six Months*, Phil Coorey interview with Kos Samaras, *Australian Financial Review* (April 16, 2026).

