

Keynote Speakers

Professor Hurriyet Babacan

Professor Hurriyet Babacan is Director of the Institute for Community, Ethnicity and Policy Alternatives at Victoria University, Melbourne. She has over 20 years experience in senior roles as an academic, public servant, community worker, and researcher and trainer in the government, community and university sectors.

Hurriyet has undertaken research on issues including gender, migration, settlement, citizenship, racism, multiculturalism, identity and belonging, social inclusion, and community development. She has published extensively on these issues including articles for UNESCO. Hurriyet's services to community and academic life have been recognised through a number of awards including the Bicentenary Medal awarded by the Prime Minister (2002), and the Multicultural Services Award presented by the Premier of Queensland (1999); she was also a Queensland Finalist for the Telstra Business Women's Award.

Dr. Millsom Henry-Waring

Dr Millsom Henry-Waring is a Lecturer in Sociology at the School of Social and Political Sciences at the University of Melbourne.

Her research and teaching draw upon various perspectives including those from Critical Black Studies; Gender/Women's Studies; and Post-Colonial Studies used to explore notions of difference, otherness, and blackness and whiteness, specifically in the areas of identity, intimacy, popular culture, new technologies, nationalism, and multiculturalism. Millsom's current research projects focus on: Black British and other feminisms; visible migrants and refugees in rural and regional Australia; whiteness; mixed and multiple identities; and notions of otherness and intimacy on and offline.

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Points of Departure

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building capacity to advocate for immigrant and refugee women

Wednesday 8 April 2009
Richmond Town Hall
Melbourne



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Forum Program

8:30 - 9:00	Registration
PLENARY SESSION	
9:00 - 9:10	Welcoming Remarks: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri (MC)</i>
9.10 - 9.20	Opening Remarks: Introducing the Points of Departure Project: <i>Adele Murdolo</i> <i>Executive Director MCWH</i>
9:20 - 9:40	Points of Departure: The Milestones: <i>Pauline Gwatirisa</i>
9.40 - 9.50	Ice-breaker: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri</i>
9.50 - 10.30	‘Double and Triple Jeopardy: Issues of Refugee and Immigrant Women in Australia’ <i>Keynote Speaker:</i> <i>Professor Hurriyet Babacan</i>
10.30 - 10.55	Morning Tea
PLENARY SESSION	
10.55 - 11.00	Official Opening: Adele Murdolo to introduce: <i>The Hon. Tanya Plibersek</i> <i>Minister for Housing and</i> <i>for the Status of Women</i>
11.00 - 11.20	‘National Response to Issues Affecting Immigrant and Refugee Women’ <i>The Hon. Tanya Plibersek</i>
11.20 - 11.30	Questions & Answers: <i>Minister Plibersek</i>

Forum Program

11.30 - 12.00	‘The Personal is Political: the Social Significance of Belonging for Immigrant and Refugee Women in Australia’ <i>Keynote Speaker:</i> <i>Dr Millsom Henry-Waring</i>
12.00 - 12.30	Stakeholders Overall Insights from Discussion Paper and Points of Action: Key Social Inclusion Indicators <i>Pauline Gwatirisa and Adele Murdolo</i>
12.30 - 12.40	Introduction to Discussion Topics for Next Session: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri</i>
12.40 - 13.30	Lunch
CONCURRENT AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS	
13.30 - 14.30	Six Break-away Groups Discuss Identified Social Inclusion indicators: <i>Facilitators</i> <i>(Expert Advisory Committee)</i>
14.30 - 14.40	Music and Dance Lesson: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri</i>
14.40 - 15.00	Afternoon Tea
PLENARY SESSION	
15.00 - 16.40	Feedback from Groups: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri</i>
16.40 - 16.45	Evaluation & Raffle: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri</i>
16.45 - 16.55	Consolidation of Day’s Events; Way Forward and Closing: <i>Gabrielle Fakhri</i>