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# Nelson Mandela Regional Youth Leadership Summit, Victoria- Australia

A conference on Ethical Leadership and Commitment to Positive Change.

> Thursday 18th of July 2019 9:30am - 3:00pm

VENUE Shepparton High School 31-71 Hawdon Street, Shepparton Victoria Australia 3630



### ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Future Voices Inc/ Nelson Mandela Centre Australia in partnership with Gandhi Experiment are pleased to presents the 2nd Nelson Mandela Regional Youth Summit on the 18th of July 2019, from 8:40am- 3:00pm at Shepparton High School, Shepparton, Victoria 3630.

#### THE PURPOSE

The summit is for awareness creation, empowering (young people), action-taking trigger, impacts making, and provider of tools, resources and leadership strategies.

### PARTICIPANTS

Regional students and other relevant people are brought together, encouraged and tipped to learn more as well as utilise their leadership skills, roles, and relationships particularly in their communities for better and meaningful ways of ultimately taking action(s) that address and solve their unique chal-lenges.

The participants will take part in forums that would result in actionable goal setting, an opportunity to share knowledge, and networking that focuses on building stronger Australia- regional engagements with the rest of the world particularly through celebrating Nelson Mandela legacy. As well, to develop the youth leadership regional plan, identify priority areas, do set specific target, and define strategies and policy measures that entails regional development.

### THEME AND TOPICS

Our 2019 Theme of Nelson Mandela Regional Youth Leadership Summit Victoria, Australia is " Ethical Leadership and Commitment to Positive Change"

The summit's theme and topics are based on Nelson Mandela's legacy which are considered to be good for

- enhancing empowerments
- personal growth
- regional development and
- global engagements.

The topics will assist the participants, especially the youth to grow into key players and leaders in ad-dressing immediate and pressing challenges (Invoking critical initiatives and innovations).

• **'Celebrating Mandela's legacy:** lessons for the future' opportunities and challenges are in our region and how we as society can equip them with the capabilities to participate in the real economy in line with the legacy of Nelson Mandela. These are key great leadership and trans-formative principles from

Madiba's legacy. These stand out in a framework that addresses the world's social injustices.

- Challenges and Opportunities of Multiculturalism. Speaker will share the key facts or advice and demonstrate how his personal life and professional experience contribute to social cohe-sion in our region by developing skills for participation in society and extending understanding of different ways of living. This includes skills in communication for living, working and investing in a national and global context.
- **The optimistic Australian Leadership.** Speaker will engage the participants not only in the ru-diments of Leadership but what it takes to be effective in Leadership.
- Conflict Resolution. Aim is to develop conflict negotiation skills to allow
  participants the oppor-tunity to access mature decision making by building on
  their strengths and develop life skills, build resilience and hope for the future.
  This will help to develop both a sense of their personal role of who they are as a
  global citizen, in contributing to positive change. It helps students to know how
  to improve engagement between government, services and citizens, strengthens
  peace-building process.
- Investing in Education: Challenges and opportunities for a New Colombo Plan. Participants will discover contemporary insights in Foreign Affairs, with a special focus on Australia- Asia rela-tionship and how to achieve long term peace and stability in the region.
- Global Diplomacy challenges and opportunities. This is to give a balanced view on USA and Australia diplomacy as well as Asia Pacific. In that context, the speaker would demonstrate the challenges and opportunities in global diplomacy and how that contributes to social cohesion in society and extending understanding of different ways of living. This includes skills in communi-cation for living, working and investing in a national and global context.
- Understanding the importance of global competencies. An opportunity for positioning the re-gional young people in skills and intercultural capabilities through critical and creative thinking in order to develop knowledge and familiarity with Asia and Europe as one of their global op-portunities. The speaker will also talk about Goulburn Valley- Australia Belgium Exchange Program initiated by Future Voices, in collaboration with the Belgium Consulate, Victoria and how it is in line with the objectives of fostering Australia-Belgium bilateral diplomatic relations in the area of food industries, education, training, promotion innovation, social and cultural connection exchanges.

#### THE METHOD

The workshops are structured by key stakeholders and led by experts in their fields. The workshops provide highlights and key challenges, in addition to practical advices on the roles and processes while reflecting on the impacts and the roles the youth can play in taking actions and improving future out-comes. These workshops are designed not only to inform and educate, but to capture and highlight the voices of youths in Regional Australia. These sessions also represent a great opportunity to find po-tential collaborators who share the same challenges, goals, and aspirations. In this way, the delegates in collaboration with the experts are brought together to brainstorm for societal advancements.

### RESULTS

Regional youths involvements is achieved and is expected to still provide multiple opportunities, part-nerships and ways forward, for example the forming of NGOs or private sector small initiatives, differ-ent learning platforms, creation of local projects based on the available resources. Also Alumni knowledge, peer networking, becoming certain industry leaders or agent(s) of the already existing ones including overseas one(s).

### COOPERATION

The workshops are made possible through formal approvals of Nelson Mandala Foundation of South Africa and Gandhi Foundation.

Future Voices Inc in Shepparton / Nelson Mandela Centre Australia, in partnership with Gandhi Experiment (working with a number of local and international organisations) who have been keen to bring this together, for building our future generation for improved contributions to sustainable development.

### From the Chair of Future Voices Inc. / Nelson Mandela Learning Centre Australia



**Dr Apollo S. Nsubuga-Kyobe;** FIMLA, FAFBE, MAHRI, AMICDA, JP;

Future Voices - Nelson Mandela Centre Australia, Shepparton has been established to initiate programs founded on the collectively highly regarded 'Ubuntu' Philosophy

identified with Nelson Mandela's leg-acy. The approaches do embrace commitment, inspired individuals, innovation, development of crea-tivity and formative learning, entrepreneurial skills and networks' building support engagements in-cluding global strategy and knowledge exchange, economic growth, and better utilization of resources. Future Voices contributes to the building of peace and harmony, the eradication of poverty, sustainable development, intercultural dialogue and learning through education to understand different cultures, communication and information. We aim to improve social cohesion by facilitating the positive transition of new arrivals into our communities.

Despite, the City of Greater Shepparton (COGS) receiving and significantly contributing to refugees and migrants' settlement for many decades; still economic stagnation, labour needs, and requirements for having long-term visions are part of the requirements. These still include: support the arrivals, youth and building of various dimensions of social capital, sustainable environments, economic growth, com-petitiveness, youth leadership, and stronger teaching and learning pillars and practices all remain a challenge. Initiatives for a global big picture for the City of Greater of Shepparton and neighbouring districts as a regional centre and for young people are also still a challenge.

Thus, one of the main goals of this summit through above mentioned organisations include: delivering new attitudes, value building, empowering and inspiring programs designed to enhance the foresaid and to overcome a number of barriers in regional development needs as mentioned above. In addi-tion, Future Voices has run and intends to expand into a larger centre, running programs founded on the collectively highly regarded 'Ubuntu' Philosophy as aligned with Nelson Mandela's legacy. It is a great privilege to be granted permission by Nelson Mandela Foundation of South Africa to develop a Nelson Mandela Learning Centre Australia in Shepparton to complement the work earlier started by Future Voices/Building New Generation that has been already going on for years. It is the first time in Australia that a group like ours has been granted the type of opportunity, and it is based on high trust and shared common visions some of it found in Shepparton and South Africa; for example living off ag-riculture based environment. These commonalities are great to capitalize on.

Dr. Apollo is a strategic thinker and a community builder and active participant in many associations and instutions aimed at developing the society in practical ways.

(For fuller profile of Dr Apollo S. Nsubuga-Kyobe; FIMLA, FAFBE, MAHRI, AMICDA, JP; please visit our website: www.futurevoices.com.org)



### Key Note speaker: USA Consul General Michael F. Klein

Michael Kleine is a Senior Foreign Service Officer with nearly twenty years of experience in the U.S. Department of State.

Prior to his August 2018 arrival in Melbourne, Michael served three years as Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Vientiane, Laos. He worked previously in South Korea, where he led Embassy

efforts to ratify the U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement; Kosovo, where he supported the establishment of democratic institutions in post-war Kosovo; and Vietnam, where he was among the first to work in the U.S. Consulate General in Ho Chi Minh City. From 2013 to 2014, he served as the U.S. Trade Representative's Senior Advisor for Japan and Korea Trade Policy. Before joining the diplomatic corps, Michael practiced law in Washington, D.C. He earned both his undergraduate and law degrees at Duke University. He also has a master's degree in national security strategy from the National War College in Washington.

Michael is accompanied in Melbourne by his wife, Hiroko, and two children.

# THE FACILITATORS



Victor Perton has served as Senior Adviser in the Australia G20 Presidency, supporting Australian Treasurer Joe Hockey's leadership of the Finance Track of G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors. He played an important engagement role in the Brisbane G20 Leaders' Summit. Victor is a former Commissioner to the Americas building investment, trade, global supply chains & supporter networks. His life experience includes 18 years as a

parliamentarian, practice as a barrister, mediator, arbitrator, businessman, board service and mentor in the public and private sectors.

Victor is a compelling lecturer & motivational speaker on leadership, policy advocacy, governance, networking & social media. His professional qualifications and experience include law, economics, edu-cation, technology & innovation and environment. He is Editor and Publisher of the Australian Leader-ship blog, Principal of Victor Perton Global Partners; Board Member of Yarra Valley Water; Advisory Board Member of Lifeguard Health Network Inc; Global Integrity Summit hosted by Griffith University and Australia Centre for Financial Studies hosted by Monash University.



Margaret Hepworth is an expert in teenage motivations & behaviours; a thought leader in peace and values education; the founder of The Gandhi Experiment; an English and Humanities teacher of 30 years; author of The Gandhi Experiment – teaching our teenagers how to become global citizens; recip-ient of the 2016 Sir John Monash Award for Inspirational Women's Leadership; and creator of Collabo-rative Debating ©.

www.thegandhiexperiment.com As an educator, Margaret believes that it is imperative we make serious efforts for young people, to open their world view to solution focused out-comes.

### **SPEAKERS**



**Antony Lynch,** Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) Australia Government.

Antony currently serves in the Victoria State Office (DFAT) of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), advancing the Australian Government's Economic and Commercial Diplomacy Agenda. Prior to his placement at the VSO, he served as Second Secretary and Consul (2015-2019) at the Australian Embassy in Stockholm,

Sweden [with non-resident accreditation to Finland, Estonia and Latvia]. He has extensive experience on trade and investment policy, having served on Australia's negotiating teams for the Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement (KAFTA) and the Japan-Australia Economic Part-nership Agreement (JAEPA), as well as in crisis management and consular service roles. Before joining DFAT as a Graduate Trainee, he worked in various strategic communications roles for the European Commission in Brussels (2010-2012) and UNESCO in Paris (2008-2009). He has a Master of Arts in EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies from the Collège d'Europe, and a Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws from the ANU.

Carmel Johnson has been living and working in the Goulburn Valley for more than 35 years. During this time Carmel has primarily worked in fundraising and community relations roles, and with her Special Education gualifications, served as the inaugural Principal of Verney Road Special School and later as Manager at Connect GV in Shepparton.

Carmel's current role is as Director of the GV Health Foundation, assisting the GV Health Board and Executive with financial and philanthropic support to



ensure that the community of the Goulburn Valley is well served.

She was the inaugural Chair of the Shepparton Arts Festival and serves on a number of corporate and community boards.

Carmel is Deputy Chair of the Foundation.



### Jaenette Powell.

Born Liverpool, England and Immigrated to Australia in 1958 to the Preston Migrant Camp, Mel-bourne. In 1959 moved to Shepparton with parents and sister. Jeanette is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and Life Member- Australian Local Government Women's Association.

She met her husband Ian in a band when he was the band's base guitarist. She has two sons: Corey and Nathan.

Before joining politics, Jeanette worked at Darkroom as Technician, Receptionist in Mercedes Benz Workshop and as a Beauty Consultant, and was a Director and Partner with Ian Powell Automotive Electrics.

Before she retired from the Victoria Parliament in 2014, she has had a full run of offices as follows: 1990-1994- Councillor, Shire of Shepparton (1993 + 1994 First female President ) \* (1994-1996)- Commissioner, Shire of Campaspe \* (1996-2002)- Member of the Victorian Legislative Council. \* (2002- 2014)-Member of the Victorian Legislative Assembly (Unique distinction of being the first female National Party Member of Parliament elected to both houses of the Victorian Parliament ). \* (2010 -2014)- Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

Jeanette still sings in a band and at various Fundraisers. Apart from singing, she is involved in the com-munity as:

- \* President of Goulburn Valley Hospice Care;
- \* Director of Shepparton Villages;
- \*Patron of Shepparton's Men's Shed
- \* Patron of Soroptimist International of Shepparton
- \* Hon. Member of Shepparton Rotary Club
- \* Committee Member of Victorian Parliament Former Members Association
- \* Committee Member of 2030 Greater Victorian Commonwealth Games Taskforce

**Christine Cole** Principal, Shepparton High School Christine was appointed Principal at Shepparton High School in July 2017. Starting as a teacher at the school in 2008, Christine has committed herself to improving the quality of teaching and learning at the school and improving student engagement and achievement. Christine has held many leadership positions at the school and has continued to place an emphasis on her own personal growth



as a leader. She is a passionate educator, with a major focus on literacy and lifelong learning with a love of teaching young people.



Dr Mochekoe Stephen Rametse has taught African and Australian History, Politics and International Relations for more than 20 years in Australian High Schools (Melbourne and Perth) and at Murdoch University. He is a sessional lecturer and a secondary school teacher registered with the Victorian Institute of Teaching. He is an independent researcher on the South African Political

Economy and the settlement challenges of the African diaspora in Australia. His PhD study focused on the ideological tensions in the post-apartheid government's policies. He has presented Conference Papers at various academic forums. He was the convenor of the South African Community of Western Australia (SACAWA) in 2012. He was twice elected as the President of the Africa Day Australia, Secretary of the Nelson Mandela Day Commemorative Committee and a Board member of the African Think Tank.

He was appointed a member of the African Ministerial Advisory Group which helped with the formula-tion of the "African Communities Action Plan" (ACAP), which was recently adopted by the Victorian government. His draft Working Paper in progress: "Dissecting Race, Racism, Difference and the 'new' African Diaspora in Australia" using the Auto ethnographical method.



Mayor Kim O'Keeffe: I have run my own business in the service and training industry for the past 28 years. I have expanded my business nationally taking on the role as National Education and Marketing Manager for the Salons Group. I also have my own make up brand that is sold across Australia. I have worked with both small and large businesses and companies, who I continue to support and mentor.

For the past 18 years I have been a volunteer for The Look Good Feel Better program, for Women with cancer. I have also been a volunteer for the Shine program and the Make A Wish foundation. I am also passionate about womens health and wellbeing.

We live in a beautiful region and my vision is for growth, and to prosper with forward thinking and a progressive approach. I am passionate about my community and I see opportunity, diversity and so much potential for our region.



#### Dr Pierre Van Osselaer Honorary Consul for Belgium in Victoria

Pierre Van Osselaer teaches a variety of Business units; primarily in the areas of communication, mar-keting, and governance. He also teaches Creativity and Innovation. He is a business consultant with ex-tensive professional experience. Pierre was awarded a PhD by Murdoch University for his work on dy-namic processes in communication. He holds a 1st Class Honours

BA English from Curtin University. Also qualified in systems analysis, corporate management, financial systems design, and project control, his published writing includes fiction, non-fiction, and translations. He speaks fluent French, Dutch, and English.

He is currently involved in research on semiotics and the law. He is the vicepresident of Semiotics Inc and the Honorary Consul for Belgium in Victoria.

Dr Pierre is a former Senior lecturer and Unit Coordinator and Designer for Murdoch University, former consultant to various educational institutions, former KPMG Director of Consulting, freelance Manage-ment Consultant, freelance IT Consultant, freelance Media and Communications Consultant, Author, Visual Artists, Photographer, Film Maker, Performer, Founding Chairperson of CAFE/Create in Ireland, Aerobatics and Formation Pilot, former board member and committee member of various organisations here and abroad.

#### NELSON MANDELA REGIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP SUMMIT VIC- AUST A conference in ethical leadership and commitment to positive change.

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08.40am	Registration and Morning Tea/ coffee	Speakers/ Facilitators
09.20am	Welcome	<b>Christine Cole</b> Principal of Shepparton High School
09.26am	Networking, overview of roundtable: introduce yourself to other guest setting either side of you and tell them what you are passionate about	Margaret Hepworth
09.40am	Provision of the Overview of Future Voices and Nelson Mandela Centre Australia Then, Introduces Dr. Stave Rametse: Chair of Nelson Mandela Day Australia. To highlight some of the key great leadership and and transformative principles from Madiba's legacy that stand out as frameworks, critical in addressing certain world's social injustices.	Dr Apollo. S. Nsubuga- Kyobe Chair of Future Voices Inc. Dr. Stave Rametse: Chair of Nelson Mandela Day Australia.
09.50am	Investing in Education: Challenges and Opportunities for a New Colombo Plan. Discover contemporary insights on foreign affairs, with a special focus on Australia- Asia relationship and how to achieve long term peace and stability in the region.	<b>Antony Lynch</b> Economic and Commercial Diplomacy Officer Investment and Economic Division Dept of Foreign Affairs , Australia
10.20am	Celebrating Mandela's legacy: lessons for the future'	<b>Carmel Johnson</b> Deputy Chair of the Fairley Foundation and Director of the GV Health Foundatior
10.40am	Morning Tea	
10.0am	Challenges and Opportunities of Multiculturalism	Jeanette Powell. Former State Member for Shepparton and District
11.10am	Workshop 1 The optimistic Leader	Victor Perton Served as Senior Adviser in the Australia G20 Presidency, supporting Australian Treasurer Joe Hockey's leadership of the Finance Track of G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors.
11.50am	Table discussion. a five-minute overview of discussion	
12.00pm	Lunch	
12.30pm	Workshop 2 Conflict Resolutions	<b>Margaret Hepworth:</b> Speaker / Author / Educator An English and Humanities teacher of 30 years
1.00pm	Nominate a participant to give a five-minute overview of discussion	
1.10pm	Global Vision for Greater Shepparton City Council and District. Mission to Shine	Kim O'Keeffe Mayor of Greater Shepparton City Council
1.25pm	Global diplomacy: challenges and opportunities	Michael F. Kleine USA Consul General, Melbourne
2.05pm	Workshop 3 Strategies of understanding and developing communication : Focus on Goulburn Valley – Australia Belgium Exchange program on Food industries, sciences, governance and history.	<b>Dr Pierre Van Osselaer</b> Honorary Consul for Belgium – Victoria Head of Studies – Ruby Institute – Melbourne
2.40pm	Q&A	
3.00pm	CLOSE AND THANKS	

Thursday July 18, 2019 - 8.40am start 9:30am - 3.00pm

### **CONFERENCE REFERENCES MATERIALS**

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### **COMMITMENT TO ACCESS & EQUITY**

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# A WARM THANK YOU

We wish to thank you for attending and participating in this program. We welcome your thoughts and feedback. Your messages will be carried to different levels of governments and we hope you continue to be a strong voice in the development of our region.

We would especially like to thank all our guest speakers, Victoria State Government, Fairley Founda-tion, Shepparton High School MC Guire College, Wanganui Secondary School, Mooroopna Rotary Club and Latrobe University for supporting and hosting the event.

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