

**THINK
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**CONFERENCE
PROGRAM DAY 2**



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Conference Day 2

- 8:00** ————— **Registration**
Start your Think 3000 experience by checking in, collecting your event materials, and networking with fellow attendees before the sessions begin.
- 9:00** ————— **The Big Connect & Fireside Chat**
Join RMIT's Disability & Neurodiversity Staff Network for a Fireside Chat: How Disability and Neurodiversity Shape the Future of Work
- 10:15** ————— **Conference Open - Storey Hall, Auditorium**
Acknowledgement of Country and conference opening remarks.
- 10:30** ————— **Keynote - Storey Hall, Auditorium**
A thought-provoking keynote from Lorraine Finlay, Human Rights Commissioner at the Australian Human Rights Commission: The Future of Freedom: Are Human Rights Built of Last in a Digital-Driven Economy?
- 11:00** ————— **Think Business (Panel) - Storey Hall, Auditorium**
A dynamic discussion on the future of business, featuring experts exploring trends in entrepreneurship, finance, and corporate responsibility.
- 11:00** ————— **Think Society (Panel) - Storey Hall, Lecture Theatre 1**
A deep dive into the challenges and opportunities in shaping an equitable and inclusive society, with insights from thought leaders in policy and advocacy.
- 12:00** ————— **Networking Lunch**
Enjoy a well-earned break, connect with fellow attendees and explore Think 3000's networking opportunities over lunch.
- 13:30** ————— **Think Life (Panel) - Storey Hall, Lecture Theatre 1**
An engaging session on how technology, wellbeing, and lifestyle intersect to shape the way we live, work, and connect in a rapidly changing world.
- 13:30** ————— **Think Talks - Storey Hall, Auditorium**
Rapid-fire presentations from industry pioneers sharing groundbreaking ideas and real-world solutions across various sectors.
- 18:00** ————— **End of Conference!**

THINK 3000 OPENING



The Big Connect

Fireside Chat

9:00

The Big Connect: How Disability and Neurodiversity Affect Everyone – The Future of Workplaces

Join Kyriakos Gold, Autistic entrepreneur, and Lenny de Vries, Library Business Partner for RMIT's College of Business & Law, for a dynamic discussion on disability, neurodiversity, and the future of inclusive workplaces. Explore how diverse ways of thinking can drive innovation, collaboration, and success in the modern workplace.

→ Presented by RMIT's Disability & Neurodiversity Staff Network



Conference Launch

10:15

Conference Opening

After an inspiring first day of thought-provoking discussions and bold ideas, we're back for another round of insights, innovation, and action. Today, we'll continue exploring the future of business, technology, and society, diving deeper into the conversations shaping what comes next.



Keynote → Lorraine Finlay

HR Commissioner

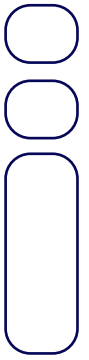


The Future of Freedom: Are Human Rights Built of Last in a Digital-Driven Economy?

This keynote will examine whether human rights, as we know them, are equipped to withstand the pressures of this rapidly evolving digital economy. What role can businesses play in shaping a future where technology serves humanity – not the other way around? The choices that we make today will determine whether human rights remain resilient, or become relics of the past.

→ Lorraine Finlay is the Human Rights Commissioner at the Australian Human Rights Commission.

THINK 3000 SESSIONS



Think Business

Panel

QandA

11:00

Think Business, Auditorium

Beyond profit, these panels explore the evolving role of business in shaping a fairer, more sustainable world. Leaders and innovators discuss ethical enterprise, the future of work, and how businesses can drive both economic and social progress.



Facilitator → Kyriakos Gold

Founder and CEO of Just Gold, Australia's first management consultancy and creative agency that is an accredited social enterprise and Executive Producer of Think 3000.



Dr. Amanda Spry

→ RMIT, Senior Lecturer, Management & Marketing



Dr. Melissa Wheeler

→ RMIT, Senior Lecturer, Business Administration



Derek Gascoigne

→ Unisuper, State Manager Advice, Vic/Tas



Christina Chun

→ COO, Social Enterprise Australia

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Think Society

Panel

QandA

11:00

Think Society, Lecture Theatre 1

Exploring the future of society through the lens of justice, equity, and inclusion. From digital freedoms to social policy, experts examine how we can build fairer systems that protect rights, empower communities, and drive meaningful change.



Facilitator → Tania Ajit SBA

Business student and City Coordinator for RMIT University Student Union. Experienced in event management, leadership, and community-building through RMIT & X-Culture.



Facilitator → Hugh Foster

Marketing Coordinator at Just Gold and RMIT Business Marketing Graduate. Experienced in event management and cultivating collaborative environments.



Lorraine Finlay

→ Human Rights Commissioner



Alex Young

→ Head of Innovation, Business Growth & Innovation, Australian Red Cross Lifeblood



Anthea Hancocks

→ CEO, Scanlon Foundation Research Institute



Maria Dimopoulos AM

→ Myriad Kofkin Global, Principal Consultant - Safe and Equal, Chair

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Think Life

Panel

QandA

13:30 ————— Think Life, Lecture Theatre 1

From longevity to equality, these panels examine the forces shaping how we live. Experts dive into advancements in health, shifting social norms, and the pursuit of a more balanced, equitable future—where quality of life is as important as its length.



Facilitator → Maria Dimopoulos AM

Advocate for human rights and social justice with over 30 years of experience shaping policy and multicultural engagement. Recognised with the Order of Australia for her work in cultural diversity and gender equality.



Joe Ball

→ Victorian
Commissioner for
LGBTIQA+ Communities



Dr. Judy Trang

→ Commissioner
Victorian Multicultural
Commission - Founder
& Director GoNeuro
Asia



**Prof. Vasso
Apostolopoulos**

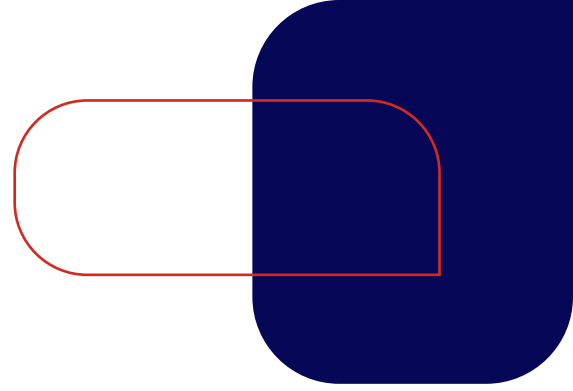
→ RMIT, Professor
Immunology



Erfan Daliri

→ Kind Enterprises,
CEO - Social Change
Consultant

THINK 3000 TALKS > 13:30



Presenters

Think Talks

Storey Hall

13:30

Think Talks → Block 1, Auditorium

As society evolves, so do the ways we connect, collaborate and support one another. This session explores innovative approaches to strengthening social cohesion, driving digital transformation in essential services and fostering inclusion across industries. Our speakers will share insights on bridging gaps between communities, industries and individuals to build a more connected and resilient society.



Derek Gascoigne

→ Unisuper, State Manager Advice, Vic/Tas

Superannuation & the Future: Will You Have Enough?



Alex Young

→ Head of Innovation, Business Growth & Innovation, Australian Red Cross Lifeblood

The Future of Connection: Can We Out Engineer Loneliness?



Anthea Hancocks

→ CEO, Scanlon Foundation Research Institute

Understanding Social Cohesion



Christina Chun

→ COO, Social Enterprise Australia

The Balance Myth: What if the Juggle Is Exactly What We Need to Thrive?

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TALKS > 14:30



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- Presenters
- Think Talks
- Storey Hall

14:30 ————— Think Talks → Block 2, Auditorium

Championing equality, justice, and representation, this session brings together thought leaders dedicated to advancing human rights and fostering inclusive societies. Our speakers will discuss strategies for policy reform, advocacy, and community-driven change, tackling issues from multicultural engagement to racial equity and mental health. Join us in exploring how we can build a more just and inclusive world.



Joe Ball
→ Victorian
Commissioner for
LGBTIQA+ Communities

Love Is Love – But
Solidarity is Survival



**Maria Dimopoulos
AM**
→ Myriad Kofkin Global,
Principal Consultant -
Safe and Equal, Chair

Intersectionality in
Action



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CEO - Social Change
Consultant

A World Embracing
Vision: What Do You
Imagine a Successful
Society to Look Like?

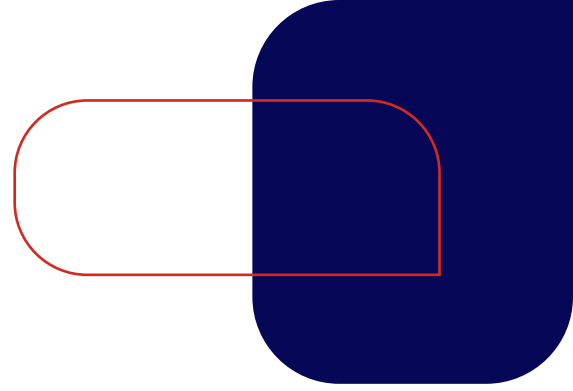


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& Director GoNeuro
Asia

Mind Matters: Navigating
the Human Psyche in a
Tech-Driven World

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TALKS > 15:30



Presenters

Think Talks

Storey Hall

15:30 ————— Think Talks → Block 3, Auditorium

As the future of work and society evolves, so does our approach to wellbeing and longevity. This session explores how inclusive leadership, ethical business practices, and sustainable design can support healthier lifespans and combat chronic disease. Our speakers will share insights on fostering workplace equity, creating inclusive spaces, and leveraging innovation to build healthier, more resilient communities.



Prof. Vasso Apostolopoulos

→ RMIT, Professor Immunology

Healthy Lifespan and Chronic Diseases



Hayley Clarke

→ CandleXchange, Co-founder

From Waste to Worth: The Power of Responsible Business Models



Roo Harris

→ Scale Investors, General Partner

Unleashing the Power of Diversity: A New Era of Innovation; Why Diverse and Overlooked Founders Are the Next Big Thing in Venture Capital



Dr. Melissa Wheeler

→ Project F, Founder & CEO

Flexible Work Shouldn't Be a Privilege: Making Flexible Work Arrangements Accessible to All



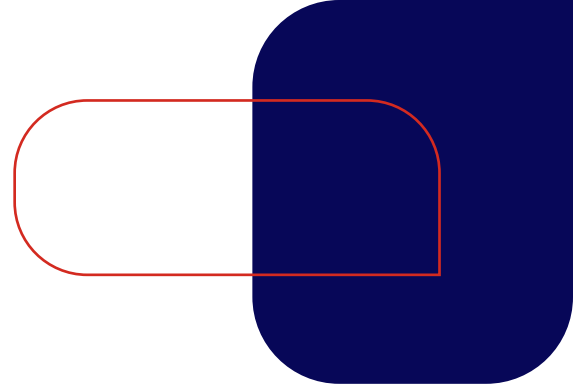
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Brands Taking a Stand: From Woke Washing to Truly Transformative

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