CO-OP FEDERATION ASSEMBLY 17 & 18 JUNE 2021







Program – Day 1 Date: Thu 17 June

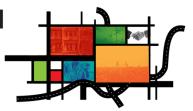
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Time	Sessions					
9am	Opening Session (Auditorium) Keynote speakers discuss the challenges facing co-ops, and their capacity to impact economic, social and environmental outcomes. Welcome and Acknowledgements Indigenous Welcome to Country Sam Byrne – Secretary, Co-op Federation MC & Assembly Overview Andrew Ferguson – Coverforce Keynote Speakers: Ronni Kahn – Founder, Oz Harvest (In person) Assistant Professor Nathan Schneider – University of Colorado Boulder (USA - Online)					
10:30am	Morning Tea - Networking (Auditorium Foyer & Heritage Room)					
11am	Regional/Rural Farming & Food (Auditorium) The latest issues in food production, farming and for producer co-ops, and our relationship with the climate. Speakers: Peter Arkle – CEO, NSW Farmers (In person) Mick Veitch MLC - NSW Shadow Minister Industry & Trade, Rural Affairs (In person) Tony Hill - Executive Chair, Australian Holistic Management Co-op (In person) Lorraine Gordon, Director, Farming Together Program (On-line)	Common Equity NSW Sector Forum (Part 1) (Meeting Rooms 2&3) A meeting of housing co-ops (Common Equity members only)				
12:30pm	Lunch – Networking (Auditorium Foyer & Heritage Room)					

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	Workshops (Auditorium)	Sector Forums (See – Meeting Rooms below)	Co-op Governance Training (Meeting Room 4&5)	Stories (Heritage Room)	
1:30pm	Creating Your Co-op Story The tools to tell your Co-op Story in the Open Mic later in day. Presented by Wicked Elephants Co-op.	Common Equity NSW Sector Forum (Part 2) (Meeting Rooms 2&3) A meeting of housing co-ops (Common Equity members only)	Governance Training (Part 1) THE training workshop on the fundamentals of co-ops and their governance presented by Federation Secretary Sam Byrne. Topics: National and International Co-op Landscape Co-op Principles and Values Co-op National Law Compliance	Shared experiences Co-op tells their stories: successes, failures, lessons and learning. More Speakers Welcome Day1 Program Includes: Co-op Lessons – past present & future Emeritus Prof Greg Patmore, Uni of Sydney – The Australian Co-operative History Project Richard O'Leary, Former Chair, Macleay Regional Co-op	
2:30pm	Co-ops and Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) How co-ops can help the world achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Led by Tony Hill, Australian Holistic Management Co-op			 Prought Flood & Pestilence Peter Calabria, Managing Director, Yenda Producers Dick Groot-Obblink, CEO, NSW/ACT Truffle Marketing Co-op 	
3:30pm	Co-ops and Charity Law presented by For Purpose Advisory	Sector Forum – Food Co-ops (Tut Meeting Room) A meeting of food co-ops led by their new peak body Co-op Grocers.	Rural/Regional Retailers (Meeting room 4&5) A meeting of retailing and rural supplies co-ops.	Open Mic – Co-operative Stories 3-5 Minute Co-op Stories from the Wicked Elephants Workshop	
4:30pm	Daily Plenary (Auditorium)				
5pm	Welcome Drinks – Networking (Featuring Hopsters Co-op Brewery) (Heritage Room)				

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Program – Day 2 Date: Fri 18 June

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Time	Sessions
9am	Labour, Services and the New Economy (Auditorium) The rise of casualisation and the gig economy, particularly in the services sector, local and international experiences addressing this disruption, and the opportunities for platform co-ops. Speakers: Sebastien Paule – Director of Development, Smart Co-op (Belgium – Online) Clr Jess Scully – Deputy Lord Mayor, City of Sydney (In Person) Godfrey Moase – United Workers Union (Melb - Online) Yasmin Catley MP – NSW Member for Swansea (In person) Abigail Boyd MLC – NSW Upper House MP (In person)
10:30am 11am	Morning Tea - Networking (Auditorium Foyer & Heritage Room) Housing & Community Ownership (Auditorium) A strong co-operative sector resourcing and investing in assets for the community, including the delivery of affordable housing and renewable energy. Speakers: Greg Ryan – Secretary, Bundagen Co-op (In person) Associate Professor Louise Crabtree – Western Sydney University (In person) Gretchen Alt-Cooper - Goulburn Community Energy Co-op (In person) Carmen Osborne – Chair, Common Equity NSW (In person) Julia Finn MP – NSW Shadow Minister for Consumer Protection, Carers (In person)
12:30pm	Lunch – Networking <i>(Auditorium Foyer & Heritage Room)</i> Performance: Greater Sydney Orchestra Co-op Ensemble <i>(Heritage Room)</i>

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	Workshops	Co-op Governance Training	Stories		
	(Meeting Room 2&3)	(Meeting Room 4&5)	(Heritage Room)		
1:30pm	Communications and social media	Governance (Part 2)	Share experience of Co-ops		
	presented by the Co-op Federation's Molly	THE training workshop on the fundamentals of co-ops and	Multiple Co-ops, Themes & Open Mic –		
	Kendall	their governance presented by Federation Secretary Sam	More Speakers Welcome		
		Byrne.	<u>Day2 Program Includes:</u>		
		Topics:	Consultants/Facilitators		
		Directors' Roles and Responsibilities	• The Grove is Open Co-op – Thriving Triangle		
		Good Governance Principles and Conduct	game analysing conflict and building		
		Conflicts of Interest	collaboration		
			Mercury Co-op – access to start-up		
			facilitation via shared learning through		
			membership		
2:30pm	<u>Co-op Employment Law</u> presented by Work		Housing & Community Asset Stories		
	Lawyers		Ningara Housing Coop – Jane Oldham		
			Resource Work Co-operative – Jason		
			Richards		
			Greater Sydney Orchestra - Andrew Quah		
			Hotline Couriers - Sam Rothwell		
3:30pm	Federation Strategic Planning Session (Federation	n members only)	Co-op Open Mic		
	(Tut Meeting Room)		Blue Tongue, C-Mac Worker Co-op		
			Open Mic		
4:30pm	Closing Plenary				
	(Auditorium)				
5pm	Closing Drinks – Networking (Heritage Room)				

Note: This program may still be subject to change.