



Cafe Conversations facilitated by Genie Malone

Cafe Conversations are an opportunity for people with a burning topic they want to discuss with others. There will be sheets in the Hall where you can put your topic down and your name. If others are interested in this topic, go to the Library at the breakout time – Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning.

SUNDAY 18 September (cont.)

11.00 – 12.30	Panel: Political insiders - hints on how to build alliances with politicians to advance our agenda Moderator: Jonathan Strauss Susan Templeman, MP, <i>Federal Member for Macquarie</i> Senator Mehreen Faruqi, <i>Deputy Leader of the Australian Greens Senator for NSW</i> Shane Prince, <i>Labor for Refugees</i>
12.30 – 1.00	Multicultural interfaith celebration of what it means to be human, for those of many faiths and none.
1.00 – 1.15	Closing remarks: Louise Redmond and National President
1.15 – 2.30pm	LUNCH
2.30 – 3.30	Facilitated discussion: developing an action plan / declaration from the Conference. We anticipate that some people may leave at lunch time but there will be opportunity to work on a declaration from the Conference after lunch.
4.00	Close of the Conference



Susan Templeman, MP



Senator Mehreen Faruqi

RAR 2022 National Conference #connecting for change



PROGRAM

16 – 18 September 2022
Katoomba High School
24 Martin St, Katoomba
Blue Mountains

Pre-Conference

4.00–5.00	RAR Annual General Meeting
5.00–6.00	Gathering

Friday 16 September

Time	Activity
4.00–6.00	Registration
6.00	Supper
7.00	MC Louise Redmond, <i>RAR Conference Planning Group</i> Welcome to Country: Aunty Carol Cooper (<i>Gundungurra & Darug nations</i>) Welcome from Gillian Triggs, <i>RAR Patron</i>
7.15	Tamara Domicelj (<i>Jesuit Refugee Service</i>) in conversation with: Craig Foster (<i>#gameover</i>), Angela Fredericks (<i>#Home to Bilo campaign</i>), Julie Macken (<i>Justice & Peace Office</i>) and Muzafar Ali (<i>Cisarua Learning</i>) <i>How do we get traction in growing humanity and compassion in this country? What have we learnt from our experiences?</i>
8.45	Plans for the next two days Show the trailer of the 'All One Under the Sun' video
9.00	Close



Tamara Domicelj



Craig Foster



Muzafar Ali



Angela Fredericks



Julie Macken

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Kathie Herbert



Arif Hussein



Esmat Noori



Daney Faddoul



Entisar Hamid



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SATURDAY 17 September

Time	Activity
8.00–9.00	Network meetings
8.00–9.00	Registration
9.00–9.00	Formal Welcome Mark Greenhill, <i>Mayor Blue Mountains City Council</i> Kathie Herbert, <i>Chair, Blue Mountains Refugee Support Group</i>
9.15–10.00	Keynote Speaker + Q&A: Arif Hussein, <i>Senior Solicitor, Refugee Advice and Casework Service, Sydney</i>
10.00–10.30	Networking: we have a question on each table for discussion,
10.30–11.00	MORNING TEA
11.00–12.30	BREAKOUT SESSIONS
Room 3	Hazara Women for Change - how one group are working to support women and children in Afghanistan Moderator: Saajeda Samaa Lida Hazara Nayeab, Zakia Hazan, Nasima Kakae, Zakia Baig.
Room 4	Refugees in Indonesia - the next area of work. This will include Zoom discussion with current refugees in Indonesia Moderator: Mary Waterford Muzafar Ali (<i>Co-founder of Cisarua Learning</i>) Esmat Noori (<i>a refugee who lived in Indonesia for years</i>)
Room 2	Charter of Human Rights - what progress have we made & the way forward Moderator: Marie Sellstrom Daney Faddoul, <i>Charter of Human Rights Campaign Manager, Human Rights Law Centre</i>
Room 1	Resettlement - what helps, what can RAR groups do? Moderator: Yamamah Agha, <i>SSI</i> . Panel: • Yousif Faisal • Abdul Rasuli and Yaqoob, <i>Ballarat Afghan Action Group</i> • Alison Pitt, <i>Huon Refugee Support Group</i>
12.30–1.30	LUNCH
1.30–2.45	Panel: Voices for change Moderator: Eileen Pittaway Speaker 1: Refugee voice – Entisar Hamid, <i>ASRC Coordinator, Community Advocacy and Power Program</i> Speaker 2: The global situation - where do we fit? the Global Compact on Refugees and how this framework can help us in our work. Tamara Domicelj (<i>JRS</i>) Speaker 3: RAR group perspective. Kathie Herbert (<i>BMRSG</i>) Speaker 4: First Nations’ voice - how to drive change. Sharlene MacKenzie.
2.45 – 3.00	BREAK
3.00– 4.30	BREAKOUT SESSIONS
Room 1	Young people and racism ‘ <i>All One Under the Sun</i> ’ ‘ <i>All One Under the Sun</i> ’ is a remedy to racism campaign for the whole community, driven by young people and using the arts to promote inclusion, belonging, connection, education and empowerment. AOUTS is based in Coffs Harbour on Gumbaynggirr Country Moderator: Naomi Steinborner Dianne Jacobus & six young people from the project.

SATURDAY 17 September

Time	Activity
3.00–4.30 HALL	Kaldor Centre - Principles of good refugee policy Moderator: Christine Mifsud Madeline Gleeson. Madeline is a lawyer and Senior Research Fellow at the Andrew & Renata Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law at UNSW Sydney, where she directs the Offshore Processing and Regional Protection projects
Room 3	Using social media effectively - tips and ideas Moderator: Geoff Lattimore Angela Fredericks (<i>#HomeToBilo campaign</i>) Kat Vella (<i>RAR Communications Convenor</i>)
Room 2	Networking - changing hearts & minds Moderator: Alison Pitt, <i>Huon Refugee Support Group</i> • Wangaratta RAR – Bern Fraser • SCRAN (<i>Sunshine Coast Refugee Action Network Qld</i>) – Robert Kann • Tasmania – Arad Nik, <i>a refugee on a TPV who is an active campaigner.</i>
4.40–5.00	Closing remarks for the day.
5.00–5.30	Entertainment from the young people from ‘ <i>All One Under the Sun</i> ’
6.30	Dinner at the Canton Palace, 246 Katoomba St, Katoomba, for those who want to come.

SUNDAY 18 September

Time	Activity
8.00–9.00	Network meetings
9.00–9.05	Overview of the day ahead
9.05–10.30	BREAKOUT SESSIONS
Room 2	Building alliances - how we work with refugee-led groups and other advocates. Moderator: Zaki Haidari, <i>Amnesty International Australia</i> Danijel Malbasa, <i>NRAAG</i> Gaby Judd, <i>Grandmothers for Refugees NSW</i> Jonathan Strauss, <i>Cairns RAR</i> Arif Hussein, <i>#ActionforAfghanistan</i>
Room 3	Story-telling as activism Moderator: Zac Quinn, author <i>Sanlundia The Hope Cooperative</i> Hossein Ganje, Sohrab Hussaini, Ghanieh Daghagheleh, Dilini Abedheera liyan patabendige.
Room 1	Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia - expanding the refugee intake through an affordable community sponsorship program. Moderator: Chris Shanley Blaise Itabelo, Nicole Watkins, <i>CRSA</i>
Room 4	RAR and Afghan sponsorship – what has RAR done and where are we now? Moderator: Muzafar Ali Marie Sellstrom (<i>Mansfield RAR</i>) Joan Henderson (<i>Uki Refugee Project</i>) Ann Koenig (<i>Maleny Welcomes Refugees</i>)
10.30– 11.00	MORNING TEA



Madeline Gleeson



Kat Vella



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