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***A Townsville Workshop on innovative ideas on employment for
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people with disabilities***

Speakers include

The Hon. Senator Jan McLucas – Parliamentary Secretary for Disability and Carers
Professor Sandra Harding – Vice-Chancellor James Cook University

Thursday 1 December – 9.30am to 4.00pm
James Cook University Room DB046-007 (a – d)

<http://www.jcu.edu.au/maps/townsville/interactive/?location=46>

CELEBRATING The International Day of People with Disability

FEATURING: Café 64 – Walgett NSW

successful business venture by Aboriginals & Torres Strait Islanders with disabilities



REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL by **Friday 18 November 2011**

Registration fee \$40 - by EFT at www.riaustralia.org - or Pay-on-the-day

NO CHARGE for people with disabilities & RI Australia members

Please confirm attendance, with participation requirements to reply@riaustralia.org

Real-Time captioning, hearing augmentation available & wheelchair access

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PROGRAM

- 9.30am Registration
- 10.00am **Introduction** Michael Fox – *RI Australia, Chair*
Welcome to Country
Workshop Welcome Sue Salthouse – *RI Australia, Director*
- 10.30am **Opening address** Professor Sandra Harding – *Vice-Chancellor, JCU*
- 10.45am **Culture, Abilities & Place in the Community**
Damian Griffis – *CEO, First People's Disability Network of Australia*
- 11.30am **Morning tea** provided by JCU & RI Australia

- 12 noon **Respect, Connect & Reflect – the Road to Cultural Competency**
Gavin Ernest & Cheryl Vacchini – *House With No Steps, Queensland*
- 12.30pm **Talking strong about Respect** – Talking Circle led by Byron Albury
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Network, Queensland
- Marion Macgregor-Burgess – *AccessAbility Support Adviser, JCU*
 - Dr Max Murray – *Access Designs, Townsville*
 - Gavin Ernest, Cheryl Vacchini, Keegan Ross, Christopher (CJ) Tyrrell

- 1.00pm **Lunch** own arrangements – JCU Campus venues
- 1.45pm **Keynote Speaker** The Hon. Senator Jan McLucas
Parliamentary Secretary for Disability & Carers

- 2.00pm **Café 64** Walgett NSW Melissa White & Nigel Morgan – *Café 64*
Martin Wren – *CEO Nova Employment*
- Developing Ideas for Townsville** – Talking Circle led by Lorraine Ross
Townsville Aboriginal & Islander Health Service
- Café 64 Crew
 - Gavin Kumsing *Brothers Acts of Random Kindness [BARK]*
 - Sam Savage *Aboriginal Employment Strategy*

- 3.00pm **Videos screening** *Many Rivers* Micro-finance Projects

- 3.15pm **Access All Areas** – ensuring inclusion in mainstream initiatives
Talking Circle led by Randal Ross, *Director The Red Dust Healing Project*
- Keith Williams *Working with Indigenous Business Australia*
 - Marc Shannon *DEEWR programs*
 - Matthew Ralph *Project 2800 Queensland Government Program*

- 4.00pm **Summing Up, Close and invitation to networking get together**



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RI Australia Workshop opportunity in Townsville

Australia ratified the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) in 2008. The CRPD recognizes that people with disabilities are negatively impacted by many forms of discrimination including gender and

'Indigenous origin'. The CRPD states that everyone has a right to full and effective participation and inclusion in society.

Multiple layers of discrimination mean that young Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders with disabilities face additional barriers to getting employment or a fair go in our society.

- *This Workshop will identify transition pathways from education to employment & social inclusion for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders with disabilities*
- *This Workshop will bring together a range of organisations and individuals to increase employment opportunities for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders with disabilities*
- *This Workshop is for anyone with ideas – people with disabilities, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders, potential employers, entrepreneurs, family members & community partners, service providers, advocates, local, state and federal government programmers*
- *This Workshop celebrates The International Day of People with Disability – 3 December 2011*





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TOWNSVILLE WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Visit www.riaustralia.org and complete the **Registration Form**.

Payment can be by EFT – or register and pay on the day.

RI AUSTRALIA MEMBERSHIP

2011 Membership Fee Schedule

Individual member		\$ 100	☐
Students & welfare payment recipients		\$ 25	☐
Organisation with turnover of:			
	\$0 - \$1m	\$ 200	☐
	\$1m - \$3m	\$ 500	☐
	\$3m - \$10m ...	\$1,000	☐
	Over \$10m	\$1,500	☐

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