

Saturday 12th April 2025  
TAFE Queensland South Bank Campus (Block C Building)  
66 Ernest, South Brisbane, QLD 4101  
8:30 AM to 5:00 PM



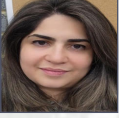
# BUILDING BRIDGES THROUGH LANGUAGES

COMMUNITY LANGUAGES AUSTRALIA  
IN COLLABORATION WITH  
ETHNIC SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND



PROGRAM

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| 8.30 am – 9.30 am   | REGISTRATIONS & MORNING TEA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9.30 am – 10.30 am  | <b>NATIONAL ANTHEM</b><br><br><b>WELCOME TO COUNTRY</b><br>Kathryn Fisher<br><br><b>OPENING PERFORMANCE</b><br>Koolbara Dancers<br><br><b>WELCOMING ADDRESS</b><br>Irene Bayldon, ESAQ President<br><br><b>VOTE OF THANKS</b><br>Tassos Douvartzides, CLA Chairman<br><br><b>COMMUNITY LANGUAGES AUSTRALIA UPDATE</b><br>Enzo Sirna AM, CLA Deputy Chair                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10.30 am – 11.00 am | <b>HONORARY GUESTS SPEECHES</b><br><br><b>Hon Milton Dick MP</b> , Speaker of the Australian House of Representatives<br><b>Senator Paul Scarr</b> , LNP Senator for Queensland<br><b>Charis Mullen MP</b> , State Member for Jordan<br><b>Dr John Bosco Ngendakurio</b> , Peak Body Manager, ECCQ<br><b>Irma Beganovic</b> , Director of Strategic Growth, Multicultural Australia<br><b>Fiona Simpson MP</b> , State Member for Maroochydore ( <b>Video Message</b> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 11.00 am – 11.30 am | <b>KEYNOTE PRESENTATION</b><br><br> <b>Open Education, AI and Cultural Vitality: Multilingualism as the Literacy of the 21st Century</b><br><b>Prof Joseph (Joe) Lo Bianco</b><br>Professor Emeritus in Language and Literacy<br>Faculty of Education<br>University of Melbourne                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 11.30 am – 12.00 pm | <b>KEYNOTE PRESENTATION</b><br><br> <b>Transforming Community Languages Education: A Vision for the Future</b><br><b>Dr Maria Gindidis</b><br>Associate Professor and Director<br>Monash University                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 12.00 pm – 12.15 pm | <b>TRIBUTE TO STEFAN ROMANIW, OAM &amp; PERFORMANCE</b><br>Ukrainian Community School “Lecia Ukrainka”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 12.15 pm – 1.30 pm  | <b>LUNCH &amp; NETWORKING</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1.30 pm – 2.30 pm   | <b>CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION #1</b><br><br>  <b>Unleash Your Leadership Potential: Transforming Community Language Schools</b><br>Dr Maria Gindidis, Associate Professor and Director, Monash University<br>Heba El-Hakim, CLA Communications Officer<br><i>Auditorium</i><br><br> <b>Conversations and Insights on Raising Multilingual Children in Australia</b><br>Dr Lilian Fleuri, Linguist, Educator, and Founder of Raízes Brasileiras<br><i>Room C3314</i> |

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|                                                                                             | <b>How To Maintain a Sustainable Community Language School in a Dispersed Coastal Language Community</b><br>Anna Belousova, Director of Teaching, Community Language School “Romashka” (Gold Coast)<br>Dr Elena Tretyachenko, Head of School, Sunshine Coast Russian School<br><i>Room C3315</i> |
| <b>2.30 pm – 3.30 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION #2</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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|    | <b>Reforming Languages Education in Australia: Examples from Persian Community Language Learning in Sydney</b><br>Dr Mojgan Mokhatebi Ardakani<br>Roya Nouraei<br>Hajar Torkama<br><i>Room C3315</i>                                                                                             |
| 3.30 pm – 3.45 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>BREAK &amp; AFTERNOON TEA</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3.45 pm – 4.00 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>PERFORMANCE</b><br>Brisbane Sinhala School                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4.00 pm – 4.45 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b><br><br><b>Success Stories in Overcoming Challenges in Community Language School Education</b><br><br>Panel Chair: Dr Anna Mikhaylova<br>                                            |
| 4.45 pm – 5.00 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>CLOSING CEREMONIES</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |