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2011 Albany & Great Southern Women's Leadership Forum

Programme

8.30am Registration – welcoming tea & coffee.

8.50am Welcome & Introductions

9.00am Leadership Forum commences

Speaker Programme

Barb deCorti - Founder and CEO of ENJO Australia

Barb deCorti was once a self-confessed bleach queen, but while her house looked perfect, her family's health was far from it. Her young son was suffering debilitating asthma attacks, the cause of which turned out to be those wonderfully fresh-smelling chemicals.

In search of a healthier cleaning routine, Barb discovered a range of fibre gloves and cloths that only required water. The use of chemicals in her home was suddenly reduced to virtually nothing, her son's asthma attacks became far less frequent and her house gleamed.

Keen to spread the good word, Barb established ENJO Australia that very same year. And what began with a mum on a mission in 1994 has now become a leader in cleaning technology.

In 2007, Barb was one of only 250 Australians chosen to become part of the ACF's Climate Project. Barb is committed to increasing public awareness of the climate crisis at a grassroots level.

Telstra Business Woman of the Year Nominee, Barb is a vivacious entrepreneur, mum and eco-educator with a mission to make a difference!

10.00am 5min stretch break

10.05am Kate Lamont - Restaurateur, Vigneron, Chair Tourism WA

Kate Lamont has more than three decades of experience in food and wine tourism in Western Australia.

She is an operating partner in the Lamont family business which operates wine production and sales with restaurants in the Swan Valley, Margaret River, Perth City and Cottesloe.

As one of Western Australia's most successful chefs, Kate was named an Industry Icon by Vogue Entertaining and has written best-selling cooking books with sales in excess of 35,000. She is a regular guest presenter on ABC radio and an occasional columnist for The Weekend Australian.

Kate was appointed to the Board of the Western Australian Tourism Commission in May 2004 and then as its Chairman in July 2006. She was appointed to the board of Tourism Australia in July 2009 and as Deputy Chairman in 2010.

Kate has represented hospitality and tourism interests on the Western Australian Government's Skills Formation Taskforce which recommended significant changes to trade training in 2007. She was on the National Restaurant and Caterers Board's Industry Action group concurrently with her similar responsibility on the National Institute for Skills Excellence Board. In recognition of her contributions to the industry, the Restaurant and Caterers Institute of Western Australia awarded her its highest accolade in 2007, membership of its Hall of Fame.

Kate is also a director of the Committee for Perth and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Western Australia.

11.05am Morning tea

11.30am Julie Meek - Dietitian & Performance Specialist

It's true, Julie Meek is a Dietitian - but there's a lot more to Julie than food.

Julie spent five years as the Dietitian to the Fremantle Dockers and the Perth Wildcats team and is currently working with the athletes at WAIS. She has helped thousands of people achieve personal success through eating well and implementing the strategies of elite athletes.

Julie has over 15 years' experience in the public, sports, corporate health and performance industry. To back up this practical experience, she is an Accredited Practising Dietitian and an accredited Member of the National Speakers Association Australia. Julie's experience enables her to deliver the most current and ground-breaking information available.

Julie is the resident 'nutrition and performance' expert with a regular segment on 6PR radio and the author of 'truth, lies and chocolate - 99 facts and fairy-tales about food'.

Julie knows that health is a powerful instrument in improving all aspects of performance. She is a professional and motivating speaker and coach and passionately committed to improving the performance of individuals, teams and businesses.

12.30pm Lunch – Kooka's Catering

1.15pm Cate Kodo Juno - Ordained Buddhist Priest

18 years ago, while living in Japan, within weeks of each other:

- the book she'd been writing for five years was published by another author;
- she experienced a major family crisis;
- she had a nervous breakdown;
- she found out she had cancer!

As part of her recovery from surgery and breakdown, Cate began to practice meditation. She believes it literally saved her life! This was her first step on a spiritual path that continued when she returned to Australia and led her to become ordained as a Buddhist priest in 2003.

Cate now works as a spiritual counsellor and meditation teacher from her bush retreat home south of Mandurah where she and her husband, also a Buddhist priest, have built a small temple dedicated to the Buddhist deity of compassion and healing.

In her work as spiritual counsellor, Cate works primarily with women's issues and especially with women who are grieving from pregnancy loss, whether through miscarriage or abortion. She has spoken at a number of state and national women's conferences about her role in this field.

In teaching meditation Cate believes that the mess and stress of everyday life need not hinder us from experiencing the wonder of being alive: instead, the busyness of our lives can be embraced and used to help us nurture our spiritual lives. It is this aspect of her work that she would like to share with you today.

2.15pm 5min stretch break

2.20pm Caroline Robinson - RIRDC 2011 Australian Rural Woman of the Year

Caroline Robinson is passionate about hockey, sausage dogs, sheep and facilitating and building strong business and community connections in remote rural areas. They're passions that don't come in any particular order and which she cannot rationally explain, except to say that the land and all it stands for stole her heart.

Caroline works in community development and project management across the local government, not for profit, tourism, health, education and training industries. She runs her business Solum; Wheatbelt Business Solutions from her husband's farm in Woolocutty (near Narembeen) in the Wheatbelt of Western Australia. Her work spans across a region the size of Tasmania.

The Wheatbelt Business Network was initiated by Caroline in early 2010 and connects business, industry, local government and the community with regular networking, online news and newsletters as well as the development of a Buy Local Loyalty Card in the central and eastern Wheatbelt.

Caroline was recently awarded the RIRDC Australian Rural Woman of the Year for 2011.

3.20pm Afternoon tea

3.45pm Natasha Di Ciano - Founder and Managing Director – Egami Style

Natasha Di Ciano is an internationally accredited and recognised image consultant. Her diverse and successful career includes managing her own events company, commercial roles in the Toll Holdings Group and Partner of a leading search firm.

It was during her time in recruitment that Natasha discovered a noticeable gap between many candidate's qualifications and capabilities, and how they visually projected this through their image. Her studies in image management and the psychology of perception stemmed from this, inspiring Natasha to complete her Graduate Diploma of Image Management.

In 2007 she established EGAMI STYLE, a premium consultancy that delivers personal image and professional positioning advice and strategies to individuals and organisations worldwide. Two years later, Natasha also founded EGAMI TALENT, a boutique executive search firm.

Philanthropically in 2010 Natasha launched Dine for Life; a fundraising project which raises funds and awareness for WA's lesser-known charities through a series of dinner events.

4.45pm Closing remarks

4.55pm Cocktails & canapés

5.30pm Close of Forum

Meet the Speakers



**Barb
deCorti**



**Kate
Lamont**



**Julie
Meek**



**Cate
Kodo Juno**



**Caroline
Robinson**



**Natasha
Di Ciano**

Here's how to register for this 'must be there' event:

Event details: Tuesday 27th September 2011
8.30am Registration: 8.50am Start - 5.30pm Finish
Stirling Club - 14 Stirling Tce, Albany

TAX INVOICE: (inc. GST)

YES! I'd like to order tickets for the **"2011 Women's Leadership Forum"**

Earlybird Ticket Price: **\$247** ACCI members **\$297** non-members
(If booked and paid by 31st August.)

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