INLAND GROWTH SUMMIT

12-14 March 2025 DUBBO, NSW









The Welcome Experience





OPENING	WEDNESDAY 12TH MARCH THE EXCHANGE ORANA
COMMENCE - 5.00PM	MEET & GREET
OFFICIAL WELCOME	Justine Campbell Chief Executive Officer, RDA Orana
INTRODUCTION	Jo Palmer & Julia Spicer Co-Founders, The Connection Table
CONCLUDE - 7.00PM	
DAY 1	THURSDAY 13TH MARCH LAZY RIVER ESTATE
SESSION 1 - 9.00AM	OFFICIAL OPENING
WELCOME TO COUNTRY	
INTRODUCTION	Jen Cowley OAM Master of Ceremonies
OFFICIAL WELCOME	Justine Campbell Chief Executive Officer, RDA Orana
ADDRESS	The Hon. Kristy McBain MP (Video presentation) Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories
KEYNOTE SPEAKER	Claire Quigley Director, Tech Team Whisperer
MORNING TEA - 10.30AM	
SESSION 2 - 11.00AM	WORKFORCE & TRAINING
FACILITATOR	Megan Callinan Chief Executive Officer, Marathon Health
SPEAKER & PANELLIST	Gemma Bilardi Program Manager, Connecting the Docs, Echuca Regional Health
PANELLISTS	Teresa Bullock-Smith Director & Principal Economist, REMPLAN
	Josie Howard Director Essential Worker Attraction Program, DPIRD





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LUNCH - 12.30PM	
SESSION 3 - 1.30PM	AGRICULTURE
FACILITATOR	Oli Le Lievre Founder, Humans of Agriculture
PANELLISTS	Paul Joules Commodities & Farm Inputs Analyst, Rabobank
	Emma Bowman Centre Manager & Co-Director, Genstock
	Brooke Watts Operations Manager, Bracla
AFTERNOON TEA - 3.00	PM

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SESSION 4 - 3.30PM	TOURISM & HOSPITALITY	
FACILITATOR	Harriet Gilmore Founder, HG Public Relations and Events	
PANELLISTS	Brett Ashby Business Mentor, First Nations Tourism Mentoring Program Aboriginal Partner's Manager, DPIRD	
	Cara George Founder & Agency Director, Hipscotch	
	Dan Maroulis Owner & Vigneron, Boydell's	
	Emily Stanton Director, The Nyngan Hotel	

CONCLUSION OF SUMMIT DAY 1 - 5.00PM

NETWORKING DINNER	THURSDAY 13TH MARCH WESTERN PLAINS CULTURAL CENTRE
COMMENCE - 6.00PM	
OFFICIAL WELCOME	Justine Campbell Chief Executive Officer, RDA Orana
ENTERTAINMENT	Sam Coon Sam Coon Music
CONCLUDE -9.00PM	

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DAY 2	FRIDAY 14TH MARCH LAZY RIVER ESTATE
SESSION 1 - 9.00AM	OFFICIAL OPENING
INTRODUCTION	Jen Cowley OAM Master of Ceremonies
ADDRESS	Justine Campbell and Jo Palmer Launch of The Jobs Board Orana
KEYNOTE SPEAKER	Sandeep Kirpalani Academic Lead, Workforce Education Program University of NSW
MORNING TEA - 10.30AM	
SESSION 2 - 11.00AM	HOUSING & CONSTRUCTION
FACILITATOR	Brad Cam General Manager, Mid-Western Regional Council
SPEAKER & PANELLIST	Cecille Weldon Director, Weldonco Advisory
PANELLISTS	Jane Donald Director and Licensed Real Estate Agent, Bob Berry Real Estate
PANELLISTS	Justin Cantelo Chief Execitive Officer, Housing Plus
LUNCH - 12.30PM	
SESSION 3 - 1.00PM	ENERGY
FACILITATOR	Sabiene Heindl Chief Executive Officer, The Energy Charter
SPEAKER & PANELLIST	Chris Sounness Chief Executive Officer, Wimmera Southern Mallee Development
PANELLISTS	Manfred Fahr Solar Portfolio Manager, Potentia Energy
PANELLIST	Michael Katz Chief Executive Officer, RELA
PANELLIST	Dr Simon Wright Senior Research Fellow, Energy & Circularity Gulbali Institute, Charles Sturt University



CONCLUSION OF SUMMIT DAY 2 - 2.30PM





