

Planning has commenced for the **11th ISANA Victorian State Conference** to be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

The theme for this conference is: **Connections - Encourages Success**

The conference aims to identify ways to connect with international students in both an educational and social context. The conference will address the benefits of making connections with government, stakeholders and community organisations to enhance the international student experience. Participants will have the opportunity to consider best practice to achieve desired outcomes as professionals in this field. Attending will also create an excellent networking opportunity to happen amongst peers.

1. **Conference outline**

The conference will include speakers from institutions, government and community organisations. The morning sessions will be keynote presentations leading to an afternoon of workshops allocated 45 minutes each.

Venue: Melbourne (location TBA)

2. **A Call for Workshops or Papers - ISANA Victoria State Conference 2009**

Due date: 5th June 2009

ISANA Victoria invites proposals for presentations and workshops that relate to, or are relevant to the theme of the conference as expressed above. For example, workshops may relate to programs to enhance student connections in secondary and tertiary institutions, community engagement initiatives, or alternatively how such connections affect our own strategy, service delivery or outcomes.

Please email [isanavicconference2009@gmail.com](mailto:isanavicconference2009@gmail.com) by the submission due date – 5<sup>th</sup> June 2009.

Please include:

- A typed one page description, outlining the workshop or presentation including the title
- A brief bio and contact information of authors and/or presenters

Please feel free to circulate this invitation to anyone who you think may have something to contribute and would like to be involved. Any suggestions you have about interesting and relevant speakers for the conference will also be appreciated.

3. **Volunteers Required**

We would like to invite interested individuals to be involved in the conference development and planning team that can include:

- a) Assistance with registration of participants, communication prior to the event, contribution and selection of program participants and general pre enrolment administration i.e. name tags.
- b) Volunteering on the day to assist with on site registration, meet and greet and other conference needs.

Please email your details to: [isanavicconference2009@gmail.com](mailto:isanavicconference2009@gmail.com)

We look forward to your participation and involvement in this event.

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