Workplace Sexual Harassment National Forum 1-12 November, 2021 Influencing positive change

Day 1 Program

Please note the program times reflect Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT).

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Time	Session
11.30am – 11.40am	Welcome Tracey Spicer AM, acclaimed journalist and Master of Ceremonies
11.40am – 11.45am	Acknowledgement to Country Duncan Smith OAM, Wiradjuri Echoes
11.45am – 11.50am	Opening Address Senator the Hon Michaelia Cash, Attorney General and Minister for Industrial Relations
11.50am – 12.20pm	Key Findings of the Respect@Work Report Join Kate Jenkins, Sex Discrimination Commissioner, Australian Human Rights Commission, as she discusses the key findings and recommendations of the Respect@Work report.
12.20pm – 12.50pm	Review of Harassment into the South Australian Legal Profession Join Equal Opportunity Commissioner for South Australia, Jodeen Carney as she discusses:
	The Commissioner's role and the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (SA)
	How the review came about, key findings and recommendations
	The benefits of managing sexual harassment as a WHS issue.
12.50pm - 1.20pm	Lunch break
1.20pm – 1.50pm	 Police Response Join Commander Professional Standards, Jason Kennedy from the Australian Federal Police as he discusses: How matters of workplace sexual harassment are managed once reported to the police.
	• What does law enforcement expect in engagement with the regulators – where do the jurisdictions overlap, where do the investigations overlap?
1.50pm – 2.20pm	Workplace Sexual Harassment Guidance Join Safe Work Australia CEO, Michelle Baxter as she discusses:
	Positive duties in the Work Health and Safety Act
	New model WHS Regulations dealing with psychosocial hazards
	Workplace sexual harassment guidance from Safe Work Australia
2.20pm – 2.50pm	Union Address Join President of the Australian Council of Trade Unions, Michele O'Neil as she discusses: • Why Sexual Harassment is a Union issue
	 Prevalence of Sexual Harassment and gendered violence
	ACTU response to Respect@Work Inquiry
	 Further reform needed
	Next steps for WHS laws.
2.50pm – 3.20pm	Employer Experience Join John Atkin FAICD, Chair of the Australian Institute of Company Director as he discusses:
	The importance of providing a supportive and respectful workplace and
	How this is achieved throughout levels of the business.
3.20pm – 3.30pm	Closing Tracey Spicer AM, acclaimed journalist and Master of Ceremonies

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