

OUT THERE SUMMITWestern Sydney
Leadership Dialogue**Creating the Smart Cities of the West: Examining the Pathways to Success**

Thursday 6 August 2020 | 9:30am – 12pm

9:30AM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**Renee Thomson** | Partnerships Officer, Kimberwalli, Aboriginal Affairs & Committee Member, The Dialogue's Generation West**9:35AM INTRODUCTION****Christopher Brown AM** | Chairman, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue**9:35AM INTERVIEW****Prof. Peter Shergold AC** | Chancellor, Western Sydney University*With Christopher Brown AM | Chair, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue*

Prof. Shergold, will talk through the recent COAG review he led, examining pathways from senior school to work, his role as Chair of the NSW Education Standards Authority during COVID-19 and why the links between vocational and tertiary education are stronger than most people think.

9:50AM PANEL DISCUSSION - Securing the Building Blocks: How can we help grow the region's skills and knowledge base?**Amy Brown** | Deputy Secretary, Strategy & Delivery Group, NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet**Steffen Faurby** | Managing Director, TAFE NSW**Prof. Stephen Garton** | Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor, The University of Sydney**Anthony Manning** | Chief Executive, School Infrastructure NSW**Greg Whitby AM** | Executive Director, Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta*Session moderator: Dr Andy Marks | Assistant Vice-Chancellor, Strategy & Projects, Western Sydney University*

What are the knowledge and skills gaps that need to be addressed to ensure Greater Western Sydney students are equipped to meet future industry needs? Has COVID-19 provided us with an opportunity to reset the way we deliver education and is our schooling infrastructure, systems, teachers and curriculum set-up to respond? Are our universities getting the support they need to produce the talent required to meet smart jobs targets?

10:20AM AUDIENCE Q&A**Adam Leto** | Executive Director, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue**10:35AM ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & AWARDS****Christopher Brown AM** | Chairman, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue

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10:45AM CLONTARF CASE STUDY: Defeating Disadvantage - A community-based intervention approach

Gerard Neesham | CEO, Clontarf Foundation

With **Christopher Brown AM** | Chair, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue

The Clontarf Foundation exists to improve the education, discipline, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate more meaningfully in society

11:00AM PANEL DISCUSSION - Jobs of Tomorrow: How is Greater Western Sydney positioned to respond to emerging industry opportunities?

Lillian Gordon | Head of Aboriginal Affairs NSW

Helen Hamilton-James | Managing Partner Western Sydney, Deloitte

Scott Langford | CEO, SGCH

Rameen Malik | Committee Member, The Dialogue's Generation West

Session moderator: Adam Leto | Executive Director, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue

How can we fast-track skills and knowledge development to take advantage of emerging growth opportunities in areas such as advanced manufacturing, defence and agribusiness? What are the barriers to jobs growth in a Post-COVID world, and how is Greater Western Sydney expected to fare? Can it help lead the recovery, or is its economy more exposed than others? How can we engineer a bigger role for the private sector in developing, funding and delivering the education and training needed to tool up Western Sydney to rebuild the regional economy? How can economic policy and any COVID-19 stimulatory measures be better targeted to not only address unemployment, but a broad range of social and environmental issues?

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Mark Scott AO | Secretary, NSW Department of Education

With **Christopher Brown AM** | Chair, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue

Mark Scott AO, will discuss how recent events are expected to impact the way our schools operate and students learn, while also examining how our systems, infrastructure and curriculum is responding to the needs of Greater Western Sydney communities.

12:00PM EVENT CONCLUSION

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