# Department of Education and Training

# Higher Education and Skills Group

# Participation Branch Memo: *2018 / 02 / 13*

**TO:** Learn Local organisations - *ALL*

Adult Education Institutions

ACFE Board

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Participation Branch Staff

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**DATE:** 13 February 2018

**SUBJECT: Registrations open for the 2018 ACEVic ‘Towards Smart and Sustainable Adult and Community Education’ Conference**

## Actions / Critical Dates:

* Registrations are now open for ACEVic’s ‘Towards Smart and Sustainable Adult and Community Education’ Conference being held on 15th and 16th March 2018
* Book by 20 February to get the early bird discount at the [ACE Vic Conference Try Booking Website](https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=348214&).

The 2018 ACEVic ‘Towards Smart and Sustainable Adult and Community Education’ Conference is being held on the 15th and 16th March in Melbourne.

The conference will look at smarter ways to work that create flexible and viable options for not-for profits. This year's theme, 'smart and sustainable', will prompt you to explore new thinking about:

* How community education and training can continue to be a critical part of the Victorian education environment.
* The sharing of models with future ideas and practice in engaging and holding learners.
* What it means to be a 'sustainable community organisation'. This includes focusing on strategy, strategic business development, learner-centric positioning of the organisation in a competitive marketplace and;
* How you can expand your contacts and networks, capture ideas and opportunities, and improve market and intelligence. You'll learn to remain sustainable and vibrant so that education and learning remain accessible to your communities.

There will be a range of interesting speakers including Ms Nova Peris OAM OLY, Australian Athlete and former politician, George Liacos from Spark Strategy and Sally Thompson from the Victorian Council of Social Service.

All ACEVic members and non-members welcome. For information regarding pricing, the full program and how to register see the [ACE Vic Conference Try Booking Website](https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=348214&).

For more information please contact ACEVic directly at [eo@acevic.org.au](mailto:eo@acevic.org.au) or 0419 751 651.

The ACFE Board is proud to be supporting this conference and hope that you can attend.