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EVENT REPORT 2022

OVERVIEW

Effective policy is essential for a thriving social enterprise sector. Social enterprise ecosystem players, whether directly involved with policy development or delivery or simply with an interest in social enterprise policy, were able to connect and learn at this event.

The SEWF 2022 Policy Forum kicked off this year's annual programme of events, which is being co-hosted by White Box Enterprises to shine a spotlight on Australia. The annual SEWF Policy Forum was held online, was open to all and free to attend.

When the SEWF Policy Forum first went virtual in 2020, we continued our traditional format of focusing on global policy updates within the context of ecosystem pillars like social finance and awareness raising. In 2021, to broaden the scope of the discussion, we structured the event around the ways in which social enterprise can be seen as a tool to address some of the most complex policy challenges. Building on those discussions, we structured this event around 4 key themes:

- Policy & Systems
- Climate Solutions
- Future of Work
- Community-led Solutions

In addition to inspiring panels and keynotes with live Q&A and chat, this year the event also featured:

- Online networking
- Online spaces for discussion
- On-demand recordings for ticket holders

EVENT EXPERIENCE

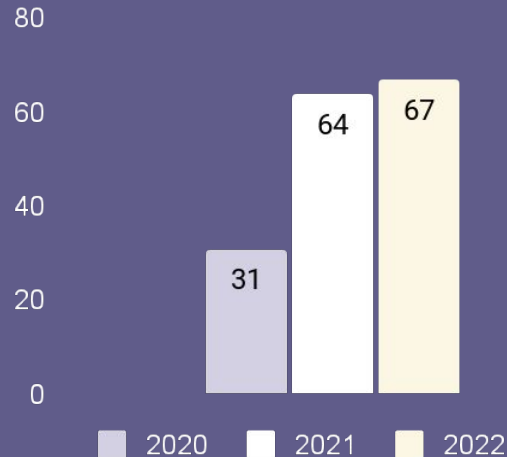
REGISTRATIONS



2021 - 674 Registrations

2020 - 218 Registrations

TOTAL COUNTRIES



TOP 5 COUNTRIES REGISTERED

AUSTRALIA
374 Registrations

AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND
41 Registrations

CANADA
39 Registrations

UNITED KINGDOM
37 Registrations ^{1.}

INDIA
37 Registrations

1. This number includes participants from England, Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland.

SPEAKER PERSPECTIVES

“There was this epiphany that if we are to pursue our lofty horizons of self-determination, it needed to be ours by design and execution... and it’s within the search for self determination that we can be true partnerships with our communities, our allies and with the government in order to bring some of these aspirational horizons closer to fruition”

—TE PŪOHO KATENE,
Executive Director,
Te Pūtea Whakatupu Trust,
Aotearoa New Zealand

“Energy is an enabler, it’s not a centerpiece. It enables us to do our work in food and agriculture and health care so it’s really that co-catalyst without which you can’t really get other services going.”

—HUDA JAFFER
Director,
Selco Foundation,
India

“Social enterprise is no longer an isolated conversation. It’s now integrated into the economic and global discussions we’re having”

—MAEVE CURTIN
Policy & Research Manager,
SEWF,
Scotland

“[External] agencies can try to strengthen what local people are doing rather than trying to bring something from outside which is foreign to these communities [and] which tends to break all the balance within the community. So, I think what the government can do is to identify local people, local resources and see where they can strengthen those local relationships, leverage local resources and maybe help them try to scale up instead of bringing something from outside which does not fit in the context.”

—ISRAR QURESHI,
Professor,
Australian National University,
Australia



PARTICIPANTS PERSPECTIVES

"Loved Bridgette Engler's insights! Really enjoyed hearing about first nations perspectives from first nations people."

—ATTENDEE
Australia

"Looking forward to the conference in Brisbane, was a great eye opener and it gave me hope and information to kick off our own social enterprise."

—ATTENDEE
Australia

"Our ancestry run deep, it doesn't begin with our passing away, it never ends, it should be valued and reflected in the way we make policies that affect our working environment."

—ATTENDEE
Cameroon

"The policy forum was informative, educative, and entertaining with new and innovative ideas, and will definitely refer my friends in the social enterprise space to subsequent events by SEWF."

—ATTENDEE
Nigeria

"Being exposed to more of the sector - so much good stuff going on! Provides a sense of hope and optimism that maybe we can create enough shift and momentum to achieve the scale of change needed in the timeframes required to keep our communities livable in the face of rapid change and intense challenges/threats (e.g. climate change)."

—ATTENDEE
Australia



PROGRAMME

BLOCK 1

Panel:

Community-led Solutions:
Spotlight on innovation and
recent developments

Discussion:

Rebuilding after the fires in
Rural Victoria

Discussion:

Indigenous community-led
solutions

Discussion:

Social enterprise policy
development in Jamaica

Networking

BLOCK 2

Panel:

Future of Work: Spotlight on
innovation and recent
developments

Discussion:

EU Social Economy Action
Plan and job creation

Discussion:

Building social enterprise into
the employment system

Discussion:

Social enterprise and refugee
employment

Networking

BLOCK 3

Panel:

Policy & Systems: Spotlight
on innovation and recent
developments

Discussion:

Best practice in social
procurement

Discussion:

Creating a policy environment
for the growth of Indigenous
business

Networking

BLOCK 4

Panel:

Climate Solutions: Spotlight
on innovation and recent
developments

Discussion:

Creating jobs out of waste

Discussion:

Circular solutions and social
enterprise

Discussion:

Renewable energy and social
enterprise

Networking

SPEAKERS

Honourable Di Farmer MP

Minister for Employment and Small Business and Minister for Training and Skills Development | Government of Queensland Australia

Matt Allen

Research Associate | Monash University Australia

Seán Barnes

Director - Social Procurement | ĀKINA New Zealand

Charmaine Brimm

Technical Specialist: Socio-economic Development | The Planning Institute of Jamaica Jamaica

Jayne Bryant

Senior Director Office of the Commonwealth Coordinator General for Migrant Services Department of Home Affairs Australia

Honourable Jaala Pulford MP

Minister for Employment; Minister for Innovation, Medical Research and the Digital Economy; Minister for Small Business; Minister for Resources | State Government of Victoria Australia

Bridgette Engeler

Pracademic and professional futurist | Swinburne University of Technology Australia

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THANKS!



Do you have any questions?

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SEWF22 (28-29 September)!