

# NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2019



5 & 6 September 2019 | Harbourside Function Venue | Wellington

Join us for two days of professional development and networking,  
knowledge sharing and fun, as we look at:

**Professionalising International Education:  
Promoting professional pathways, sustainability  
and student wellbeing**

## EVENT PROGRAMME

### Thursday 5th September

- 8.00 – 8.45 Registration
- 8.45 – 9.00 Welcome by host and ISANA NZ President
- 9.00 – 9.30 Official Opening
- 9.30 – 10.30 Keynote Speaker:  
**Marcela Lapertosa**
- 10.30 – 11.00 Morning Tea
- 11.00 – 11.45 3 x Breakout sessions
- 11.45 – 12.30 3 x Breakout sessions
- 12.30 – 1.30 Lunch and networking / ISANA AGM
- 1.30 – 2.15 Keynote Speaker:  
**Lian-Hong Brebner**
- 2.15 – 3.00 3 x Breakout sessions
- 3.00 – 3.30 Afternoon tea
- 3.30 – 4.30 Govt Agency Update
- 6.00 – 6.30 Pre-dinner drinks
- 6.30 – 7.00 Speeches
- 7.00 – 8.00 Dinner
- 8.00 – 8.30 Awards
- 8.30 – 9.00 Dessert
- 9.00 – 11.30 Dancing

### Friday 6th September

- 8.45 – 9.00 Opening and welcome
- 9.00 – 9.30 ISANA NZ Update – **Chris Beard**
- 9.30 – 10.30 Keynote Speaker:  
**Dr Paula Durance**
- 10.30 – 11.00 Morning tea
- 11.00 – 11.45 3 x breakout sessions
- 11.45 – 12.30 3 x breakout sessions
- 12.30 – 1.30 Lunch and networking
- 1.30 – 2.15 Keynote speaker:  
**Bariz Shah**
- 2.15 – 3.00 3 x breakout sessions
- 3.00 – 3.45 Student panel + Bariz Shah
- 3.45 – 4.00 Closing

Tickets start at:

**\$290 per participant**

**\$160 (student rate)**

To find out more or to register for the National Conference 2019 contact:

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## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

There will be an exciting range of workshops delivered by practitioners, policy advisors and educators involved in innovative initiatives to enhance professionalism and the student experience. Workshops include; updates on professionalisation, work and study opportunities, tailored mental health practices, initiatives that enable social connections, strategies for effective intercultural communication, and accommodation insights in relation to Code compliance.

### Thursday 5th September

Time	Breakout 1 – Student Wellbeing and Mental Health	Breakout 2 – Connecting practice, policy and research	Breakout 3 – Towards Professionalisation
11.00 – 11.45	Kelly Feng – National Director of Asian Family Services	Sherrie Lee - Senior Policy Advisor, Tertiary Education Commission	Chris Beard - ISANA NZ
11.45 – 12.30	Patrick Au – Nurse, Asian Mental Health Service, Auckland DHB	MOE International	John van der Zwan – SIEBA
2.15 – 3.00	Sylvia Hooker – Former Manager of International Support, Massey University	Wenhua Yang – Regional Manager, Learning Hawke’s Bay	Education New Zealand

### Friday 6th September

Time	Breakout 1 – Enhancing Student Experience	Breakout 2 – Learning and Teaching	Breakout 3 – Intercultural Connections
11.00 – 11.45	Gina Park / Monica Rodriguez – International Student Support / Accommodation Officer, EIT	Anne Young – Regional Manager, Education Tauranga	Hayley Shields – International Education Consultant
11.45 – 12.30	Rachel Fenton – Director of International Students, Auckland Grammar School	Principals' Panel	Work Connect
2.15 – 3.00	Maria Roddick / Amy Lavini – Accommodation & Welfare Advisor / Head of Halls, Massey University	Dr Xiaodan Gao, Kirsten Reid & Kelly Atherton, Student Learning Te Taiako, Victoria University of Wellington	Terry McGrath – ISANA NZ