

# 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

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| 8.00 – 8.45   | Registration                                 |
| 8.45 – 9.00   | Welcome by host and<br>ISANA NZ President    |
| 9.00 – 9.30   | Official Opening                             |
| 9.30 – 10.30  | Keynote Speaker:<br><b>Marcela Lapertosa</b> |
| 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 /<br>ISANA AGM          |
| 1.30 – 2.15   | Keynote Speaker:<br><b>Lian-Hong Brebner</b> |
| 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

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| 8.45 – 9.00   | Opening and welcome                         |
| 9.00 – 9.30   | ISANA NZ Update – <b>Chris Beard</b>        |
| 9.30 – 10.30  | Keynote Speaker:<br><b>Dr Paula Durance</b> |
| 10.30 – 11.00 | Morning tea                                 |
| 11.00 – 11.45 | 3 x breakout sessions                       |
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| 12.30 – 1.30  | Lunch and networking                        |
| 1.30 – 2.15   | Keynote speaker:<br><b>Bariz Shah</b>       |
| 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 |
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| 11.00 – 11.45 | Kelly Feng – National Director of Asian Family Services                      | Sherrie Lee - Senior Policy Advisor, Tertiary Education Commission | Chris Beard - ISANA NZ                   |
| 11.00 – 12.30 | Patrick Au – Nurse, Asian Mental Health Service, Auckland DHB                | Education New Zealand  | John van der Zwan – SIEBA                |
| 2.15 – 3.00   | Sylvia Hooker – Former Manager of International Support at Massey University | Wenhua Yang – Regional Manager at Learning Hawke’s Bay             | MOE International                        |

### 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 and Accommodation Officer at EIT       | Anne Young – Regional Manager at Education Tauranga  | Hayley Shields – International Education Consultant |
| 11.00 – 12.30 | Rachel Fenton – Director of International Students at Auckland Grammar School                     | Principals' Panel  | Work Connect  |
| 2.15 – 3.00   | Maria Roddick/Amy Lavini – Accommodation & Welfare Advisor and Head of Halls at Massey University | Dr Xiaodan Gao and Kirsten Reid, Student Learning Te Taiako, Victoria University of Wellington | Terry McGrath – ISANA NZ                            |