



# The Getting of Wisdom

## Learning In Later Life Exchange

# Wellington Conference

Learning, empowerment and identity in later life

Thursday, 16 February 2017

Conference Convenor

Prof Brian Findsen, University of Waikato

## PROGRAM

9.00 am

**Powhiri**

9.15 am

**Introductions**

Colin McGregor, Director, Adult and Community Education Aotearoa

**Overview of Older Adult Learning in Aotearoa New Zealand**

**Intergenerational transfer of knowledge**

Hauti Hakopa, University of Otago

**Pākehā perspectives**

Brian Findsen, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand

9.45 am

**Presentations and workshops**

**Vocational history of older workers and their participation in further education**

Bernhard Schmidt-Hertha & Margaretha Muller, University of Tübingen, Germany

**Learning Neighbourhoods as arenas of intergenerational learning, inclusion and identity formation for learners in later life**

Séamus Ó Tuama, University College Cork, Ireland

**Learning to live with chronic illness in later life: Empowering myself**

Alexandra Withnall, University of Warwick, UK

11.00 am

**Morning tea**

11.30 am

**Māori perspectives on learning in later life: The case of Rauawaawa Trust - Keynote**

Rangimahora Reedy, CEO Rauawaawa Trust

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12.15 pm

Lunch

1.15 pm

Workshop and presentations

**Workshop: The Treaty and Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840**

Charissa Waerea, ACE Aotearoa Board Member

**Neighbourhood houses: Lifelong learning, community, connections, and later life learners**

Karen Starr & Ursula Harrison, Deakin University, Australia

**Constructing narratives in later life: Autoethnography beyond the academy**

Barry Golding & Annette Foley, Federation University Australia, Ballarat

2.30 pm

Afternoon tea

3.00 pm

**New immigrants in Aotearoa NZ: Insights from seniors on learning -**

Keynote

Nicola Sutton - English Language Partners

3.45 pm

Reflections on the day - Plenary

4.00 pm

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### **A unique collaboration between researchers in Europe, Australia and New Zealand**

The Getting of Wisdom is an international exchange of people, researchers, policy makers and practitioners and ideas from opposite sides of the globe. Our aim is to acknowledge, share, listen to and learn from the accumulated wisdom of older people and researchers in the field to help secure and shape our diverse but interconnected futures.

### **One day conferences**

We take four intersecting themes in our attempt to collectively underpin the exchange and better understand the nature and future of learning in later life. The themes are about place, equality, empowerment and identity. We have woven these themes into the three conferences to be held in Australia and New Zealand 2017.

#### **Older learning in diverse contexts**

14 February 2017 – Ballarat, Victoria, Australia

#### **Learning in later life and social inequalities**

15 February 2017 – Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

#### **Learning, empowerment and identity in later life**

16 February 2017 – Wellington, New Zealand

**Registration: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WLZN538>**

The one week Exchange (12–18 Feb 2017), including three one day conferences, is a unique collaboration between the Education and Learning by Older Adults (ELOA) Network of ESREA (European Society for Research into the Education of Adults); Adult Learning Australia (ALA), the peak adult and community education in Australia; Federation University Australia, and ACE Aotearoa, the peak organisation inclusive of New Zealand's diverse Māori, Pākehā and Pacifica cultures and people.

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