



INTERNATIONAL Unity in Diversity Conference

People, the Workforce & the Future of Australia

Jupiters Townsville Hotel & Casino

13 - 16 August 2008

Australia's largest tropical city Townsville welcomes you to the International Unity in Diversity Conference to explore global trends in migration, the workforce and creating enhanced community cohesion.

Drawing together an expert panel, the conference will address the need for collaboration, communication and cooperation across cultural, religious and ideological barriers.





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Conference Topics:

- Australian skills shortage crisis – recruiting & managing a diverse work force
- Communication across cultural, religious and ideological barriers
- Recognition of Australia's first people
- Local governments' role and responsibility in community and cultural development
- Multi-faith activities (including Indigenous heritage)
- Successful migrant settlement – programs, migratory trends and social cohesion
- Art and cultural expression for local groups
- Youth issues
- Health and wellbeing issues of migrants and children of culturally diverse families
- Culture and hybridity – identity issues, multiculturalism and Australian history
- Inclusive education & curriculum to promote social cohesion and peace
- World views and epistemologies
- National cohesion and global peace

The conference program will feature:

International and national keynote speakers - Panel Discussions –lively and interactive presenters- Cross Cultural Training - Exhibition displays – Indigenous speakers & experiences – Debates with a celebrity moderator. Art and cultural performances– genuine Pacific style gala dinner – Group excursions to Great Barrier Reef & Indigenous sites.

T O W N S V I L L E

Cultural

2008

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Unity in Diversity
13 - 17 August The Strand



Cultural Fest

Strand Park, Townsville
13 – 17 August 2008

The conference is held in conjunction with the annual Cultural Fest, a family event attracting 80,000 people, engaging over 250 groups and showcasing the most exciting entertainers, food and arts.

In 2008 special features will include:

- Pacific Rhythms Concert
- Bollywood Concert
- Tropigo Carnival
- Lantern Festival
- Hip Hop youth dance party
- Save the World Day – Environmental awareness exhibition and educational program
- Global village art & craft displays and sport activities
- Multi-Faith Peace Pigeon Release and prayer for peace
- Beach soccer & volleyball tournaments





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Who should attend?

This conference is suitable for business leaders and multicultural stakeholders and is also aimed at government, education, community, cultural, religious and migrant settlement professionals.

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Business information:

Townsville Enterprise - www.townsvilleonline.com.au/

Holidays & tourism:

Queensland Holidays -

www.queenslandholidays.com.au/destinations/townsville/

Townsville City Council

www.townsville.qld.gov.au/



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