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ADELAIDE TO HOST THE AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE IN 2023

The 36th annual Australian International Education Conference (AIEC) will be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre in October 2023, bringing together leading international education experts from around the globe.

Themed “International education: visionary and transformative”, AIEC 2023 will explore the ways the international education sector continues to transform people, places and ideas that result in a better, more inclusive and connected world.

AIEC delegates will also discuss developments on the horizon and the strategies needed to meet the demands of an everchanging social, political and cultural landscape.

IDP Connect Chief Executive Officer, Simon Emmett said AIEC 2023 will provide a key forum for international education leaders to strengthen our sector and better support its students.

“It has been refreshing to return to an in-person conference for AIEC 2022, for the first time in three years, and witness the collective strength and forward-thinking of our sector. More than 1,700 delegates gathered in the Gold Coast this week – a testament to this year’s theme of going “Beyond Borders”.

“The pace of transformation and change is accelerating. Next year’s conference will be a valuable opportunity to meet with peers and leaders again to collaborate and plan for a more inclusive, sustainable and connected world,” Mr Emmett said.

“It is only fitting that next year’s conference – celebrating visionary thinking and transformation – is held in Adelaide, the first Australian city to give women the vote, and recognise Indigenous land rights,” he said.

Newly appointed IEAA President, Simon Ridings, said IEAA is looking forward co-hosting AIEC 2023 and reflecting on how the industry has evolved and transformed.

“As we’ve experienced this week, AIEC is an important opportunity for the industry to connect, collaborate and inspire. The International Education Association of Australia is excited to co-host the conference in 2023 and celebrate the progress and innovation with education leaders.”

The announcement comes on the back of the successful AIEC 2022 held on the Gold Coast.

AIEC 2023 will be held from 10-13 October 2023 at the Adelaide Convention Centre. More than 1400 delegates, NGOs, government representatives and private providers are expected to attend a range of in-person, virtual and hybrid sessions, workshops and roundtables.

The conference will be jointly hosted by IDP Education and the International Education Association of Australia.

For more information on the AIEC 2023, visit aiec.idp.com.

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About AIEC

The Australian International Education Conference (AIEC) has been connecting people and ideas for more than 30 years.

It is an opportunity each year for the international education sector to meet, learn about major industry trends and network with Australian and international colleagues.

IDP has been the proud owner and host of this event since it was first held in Canberra in 1986.

Since 2006, the conference is jointly presented by IDP and the International Education Association of Australia (IEAA).

About IDP Education

IDP is a leader in global education services. As an Australian listed company, IDP operates in more than 50 countries and its websites attract 100 million visits a year.

IDP specialise in combining human expertise with a leading digital platform to help people get accepted into their ideal course, take an English language test or learn English in their schools.

IDP's teams work side by side with their customers every day, at every step from course search through to starting their dream course or career.

IDP's data insights are relied upon by organisations around the world to help ensure policies are informed by the diverse needs, challenges and motivations of students.

Most of all, IDP are proud of its people. It is their trusted people and processes that help their customers turn their study or English goals into a launchpad for their career.

About IEAA

International Education Association of Australia (IEAA) is Australia's leading association for international education. IEAA strives to empower professionals, engage institutions and enhance Australia's reputation as a provider of world-class education

IEAA provides advocacy and member services relevant to professional staff, academics and teachers across all sectors. It delivers high-quality professional learning to advance members' careers and enhance the quality of Australian international education. It also drives new research to highlight emerging trends, inform strategy and policy, and enrich the sector's knowledge.

Together with affiliated bodies, corporate partners and government, IEAA works together to promote the benefits of international education to the broader community.