

Stories from UNESCO's GNLC members (Canning, Wyndham, Australia and Phayao, Thailand) Building Inclusive and Sustainable Learning Partnerships

Date: Wednesday 4 October 2023

Time: 3.00 pm (AEDT); 6.00 am (CEST: Central Europe Summer Time)

Duration: 90 minutes

A learning city promotes lifelong learning for all and helps lay the foundation for sustainable social, economic, and environmental development.

Explore how members of the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC) in Australia and Thailand empower their communities, individuals, groups, and organisations to actively implement collaborative, inclusive, and sustainable lifelong learning policies, and contribute to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Hear from the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning (Hamburg - Germany); Canning, Western Australia - Australia's newest UNESCO learning city; Wyndham, Victoria, Australia, recipient of a UNESCO GNLC Award; and Phayao in Thailand. They will share their practical experiences and insights on good practices on a local, national, and global scale.

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This interactive roundtable discussion will explore practical examples of inclusion and sustainability from learning cities in Australia and Thailand, while learning about the role of UNESCO's Global Network of Learning Cities including promoting dialogue and peer learning among member cities.

- **Welcome and introductions - Leone Wheeler, Hon. CEO, Australian Learning Communities Network**
- **Opening Speaker – Mr Raúl Valdés -Cotera, Team Leader at the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning in Hamburg, Germany, and coordinator of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO)'s Global Network of Learning Cities.**
- **UNESCO GLNC Learning Cities Snapshot Panel - facilitated by Ros Bauer, Board Member, Adult Learning Australia, Adult Learning Australia**

Gauri Thanasingam, Community Development Officer, Welcoming Cities, City of Canning, Western Australia and Dr Sally Lamping, Director of Teaching and Learning, School of Learning and Teaching, Curtin University.

Associate Professor Phanintra Teeranon, Assistant to the President of the University of Phayao and leader of the "Phayao Learning City" project.

Ms Diane Tabbagh, Coordinator Learning Community and Ms Hayley Jarvis, Senior Resilience Officer, Wyndham City Council

The Canning Cultural Ambassadors program which connects Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD) communities and the City

Phayao Learning City for All

Wyndham: Growing a Resilient Learning City

- **Reflections and Question and Answers led by Associate Professor Roberto 'Robbie' Guevara**
- **Summary and close – Dr Leone Wheeler and Ros Bauer**

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