

1st Africa-Australia Dialogue Symposium
**Advancing an African-Australian Agenda:
 Prospects and Challenges**

Saturday 28th June 2014, 9.00am-5.00pm
 John Scott Meeting House
 La Trobe University,
 Kingsbury Drive, Bundoora, Vic. 3086 (Melway Ref: Map 19 G7)
 Nearest Car Park 7 & 8

9.00-9:30	Registration
9:30-9:45	Welcome by Professor Alberto Gomes , Director, Centre for Dialogue
9:45-10.20	Keynote Speaker: Ambassador Jacqueline Zwambila
Theme 1: The African Australian Diaspora	
10.20-11.25am	Session 1: Settlement of African-Australians Facilitated by Mr Adam Baxter (AMES) <i>4 presenters x 8-10 minutes</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Settlement of Africans in Australia: Mr Poly William Kiyaga (AMES) • The Identity/ies of African-Australians: Mr Haileluel Gebre-selassie (ATT) • Inclusion & Integration of African-Australians: Ms Maria Tsopanis (AMES) • Employment among African-Australians: Mr Abesoleme Nega (VMC Commissioner & CEO e-empower) <i>Followed by Q & A and discussion</i>
11:25-11:55	Morning Tea/Break
11:55-1:00	Session 2: Enhancing Resilience Facilitated by Ms Farah FarouqueI (BSL) <i>4 presenters x 8-10 minutes</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities & Challenges by Professor Michele Grossman, (Victoria University) • The Role of Community Organisations by Mr Abraham Mamer (BSL/African-Australian Community Centre) • Social Enterprise & Social Change by Dr Grace McQuilten (University of Melbourne) • Summary: Women, Families and Youth by Ms Theresa Ssali & Ms Monica Forsen (Africa Day Committee –Briefs from the two forums) <i>Followed by Q & A and discussion</i>
1:00-2:00	Lunch Break
Theme 2: Australia-Africa Relations	
2:00-3:05	Session 3: Issues, Policies, and Economics, –Historic & Contemporary Facilitated by Dr Berhan Ahmed/Dr Robert Nyamori <i>4 presenters x 8-10 minutes</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia’s Policy towards Africa & Investment: Dr David Dorward (Emeritus Assoc. Professor La Trobe, former Director the African Research Institute, La Trobe University) • Key Issues on the Australia-Africa Agenda: Dr David Lucas (ANU) • The Dawn of a “New Africa” & Diaspora: Ambassador Jacqueline Zwambila (Former Zimbabwe Ambassador to Australia) • Role of Sport in Australia-Africa Relations: World Cricket, Mr John Kent,

	<p>General Manager of Communications and Community Engagement, ICC Cricket World Cup 2015, Melbourne.</p> <p><i>Followed by Q & A and discussion</i></p>
3:05-3:35	Afternoon Tea/Break
3:35-4:40	<p>Session 4: Contemporary Politics, Security, and Future Facilitated by Dr Michalis Michael (LTU Centre for Dialogue) <i>4 presenters x 8-10 minutes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa-Australia Resources Politics by Professor Helen Were, Professor of Peace Studies University of New England, • Analysis and Impact of Coalition of Terrorist Groups and African Security by Associate Professor Johnson I Agbinya, La Trobe University, Melbourne Australia • Security, Peace-Making, Governance: Australia's Role by Mr John Bellavance' (UPF) • New Initiatives in Peace Making and Dialogue by Dr Berhan Ahmed(ATT & University of Melbourne) <p><i>Followed by Q & A and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of 2014 Africa Day Australia Activities by Mr Stephen Sibanda, Chair Africa Day Committee Australia.
4:40-5:00	<p>Concluding Session: Summary and the Way Forward Discussion led by Dr Michalis S. Michael, Deputy Director, Centre for Dialogue</p>