



**Flinders Educational Futures
Research Institute**



Student Wellbeing and Prevention of Violence Research Centre (SWAPv) Inaugural Conference 2016

PANEL DISCUSSION: *THE POLITICS OF WELLBEING*

DATE AND TIME: Thursday 14 July 2016, 7.00 to 8.30pm
VENUE: Auditorium, Ground Floor, SAHMRI, North Terrace, Adelaide

The SAHMRI Wellbeing and Resilience Centre, in partnership with the Flinders University Student Wellbeing and Prevention of Violence Research Centre (SWAPv), is hosting a Panel Discussion on 'The Politics of Wellbeing' as part of the SWAPv 2016 Conference.

The overarching themes of this Panel Discussion will explore the challenges of achieving structural, sustainable change towards positive mental health and wellbeing.

In particular, each panelist will be asked to give a brief talk about their organisation, how they have promoted wellbeing in and to their population, and the challenges and politics of achieving their goals.

Panelists are:

- Gabrielle Kelly, Director of SAHMRI Wellbeing and Resilience Centre, Panel Chair and Facilitator
- Her Excellency, Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta
- Mr Agio Pereira, Minister of State and of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Timor-Leste
- Hon Susan Close MP, Minister for Education & Child Development, Minister for the Public Sector
- Dr Jamie Lee, Principal Researcher, Relationships Australia South Australia
- Ms Vikki Ryall, Head of Clinical Practice, headspace National Office

RSVP to this free event is essential, as there are limited number of seats. Registrations close Thursday 7th July 2016, or until event is fully booked.

PANEL CHAIR AND FACILITATOR

Gabrielle Kelly, Director of the SAHMRI Wellbeing and Resilience Centre



Gabrielle Kelly has been Director of the SAHMRI Wellbeing and Resilience Centre since its inception in 2015. She ran the ground-breaking Adelaide Thinkers in Residence Program in South Australia, delivering innovation to the State and nation by working with global and local leaders to drive systematic change. The Wellbeing and Resilience Centre is leading a society-wide implementation of wellbeing initiatives to make South Australia the *State of Wellbeing*.

PANELISTS

Her Excellency, Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta

Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca is the ninth and youngest President of Malta, following a 40-year career in politics. Coleiro Preca founded the President's Foundation for the Wellbeing of Society in Malta, and is an Honorary Professor of the University of Warwick in the UK. President Coleiro Preca is frequently invited to speak at international fora, on various areas including children, social inclusion, peacebuilding and migration.

Availability dependent on the President's official program.



Mr Agio Pereira, Minister of State and of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Timor-Leste



Mr Agio Pereira is the Government of Timor-Leste's Minister of State and of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers and the official Spokesperson for the Government of Timor-Leste. He has been a member of Government since 2007. Prior to joining the Government, he served as the Chief-of-Staff for the first and second elected presidents of Timor-Leste.

Hon Susan Close MP, Minister for Education & Child Development, Minister for the Public Sector

Susan Close was first elected as the State Member for Port Adelaide in February 2012. She was appointed Minister for Manufacturing and Innovation, Minister for Automotive Transformation and Minister for the Public Sector after the 2014 election and appointed Minister for Education & Child Development on 3 February 2015. Before entering parliament, Dr Close was an executive in the public service and previously worked at Adelaide University.



Dr Jamie Lee, Principal Researcher, Relationships Australia South Australia



Jamie Lee PhD is Principal Researcher at Relationships Australia South Australia (RASA). He is also a Counselling Psychologist working exclusively with children, young people and their families after separation. Relationships Australia is a not-for-profit, secular, community organisation that aims to relieve the suffering, distress and helplessness of vulnerable and disadvantaged people, so as to enhance their physical, social and emotional wellbeing.

Ms Vikki Ryall, Head of Clinical Practice, headspace National Office

Vikki joined *headspace* National Office in 2009. She first qualified as a social worker and is trained in a range of different therapies. She has extensive clinical experience with young people who are difficult to engage, high risk, and present with complex needs. Ms Ryall has extensive experience in strategic management and clinical leadership. Vikki managed the set up and development of *eheadspace*, and led both *eheadspace* and *headspace* School Support before commencing in her current role of Head of Clinical Practice.

