

Delegates hope to bring 20/20 vision

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WESTERN Australia's resources boom may be the powerhouse of the national economy, but that is not reflected in the participants in the federal government's Australia 2020 Summit.

The 1,000 participants include 67 Western Australians.

Most of the delegates from WA will participate in four of the 10 discussion forums: indigenous development, rural development, Australian governance, and national security.

High-profile WA participants include business executive Michael Chaney, who is actually listed as a Victorian delegate – presumably while wearing his National Australia Bank chairman's hat.

Perth's Forrest family appears to have achieved a husband-and-wife first; mining entrepreneur Andrew Forrest and his wife, Nicola Forrest, who is involved in philanthropic work in Aboriginal communities, will both participate.

WA participants in the economic

forum include Chamber of Commerce and Industry executive and endorsed Liberal Party candidate Deidre Willmott, BHP Billiton vice-president technology Megan Clark, Edith Cowan University finance lecturer Marilyn Clark-Murphy, and Curtin University gender researcher Susan Harwood.

Woodside executive and State Training Council chairman Keith Spence, and recently appointed Alcoa Australia boss Alan Cransberg will participate in the productivity forum, which will focus on education, skills, training, science and innovation.

Curtin University vice-chancellor Jeanette Hackett, Challenger TAFE executive Liz Harris, and Marilynne Paspaley, whose company is a major pearl producer, will also participate in the productivity forum.

The Australia 2020 Summit will be held on April 19 and 20, and is designed to "harness the best ideas across the nation, in a forum for free and open public discussion".



Australia 2020 Summit - WA participants as listed on www.australia2020.gov.au

A long-term national health strategy

Dr Vasantha Preetham
Associate Professor Ted Wilkes
Dr Fiona Wood

Australia's future security and prosperity in a rapidly changing region and world

Dr Susan Jennifer Delyse Boyd
Mr Gregory Copley
Dr Jane Patricia Cunneen
Mr John Gibson
Professor David Hill
Dr Gary Gordon Sigley
Ms Robyn Slarke
Associate Professor Samina Yasmeen

Future directions for the Australian economy

Ms Megan Clark
Dr Marilyn Clark-Murphy
Ms Elena Joy Douglas
Mr Andrew Forrest
Dr Susan Harwood
Ms Deidre Wilmot

Future directions for rural industries and rural communities

Mrs Susan G Bradley J P
Mr Everald Ernest Compton
Mr George Etrelezis
Dr James Paul Fitzpatrick
Mr John Laurence Gosper
Professor Fiona McKenzie

Mr Paul Lane
Mrs Karen Diane Morrissey
Mrs Mary Elizabeth Nenke
Mrs Jacqueline Stutt
Dr Susan Wong

Future of Australian Governance

Mr Martin James Bailey
Mr Joseph Martin Fernandez
Ms Pia-Angela Francini
Ms Alison Gaines
Professor Janette Hartz-Karp
Ms Holly Elizabeth Ransom
Mr Wayne Francis Scheggia
Dr Christine Sharp

Options for the future of Indigenous Australia

Mr Wayne Bergman
Mr Mark Bin Bakar
Ms Julie Cobb
Ms Adele Helena Cox
Mr Patrick Dodson
Ms Kate George
Mr Bill Hart
Associate Professor Colleen Patricia Hayward
Mrs Dot Henry
Dr Christine Jeffries-Stokes
Ms Shirley McPherson
Professor Fiona Stanley
Mr Barry Taylor
Mr Ian Richard Trust
Mr Peter Yu

Mrs Nicola Forrest

Population, sustainability, climate change and water

Mr Carl Eric Binning
Ms Irina Cattalini
Mr Joe Ross
Dr Bev Ronalds

Strengthening communities, supporting families and social inclusion

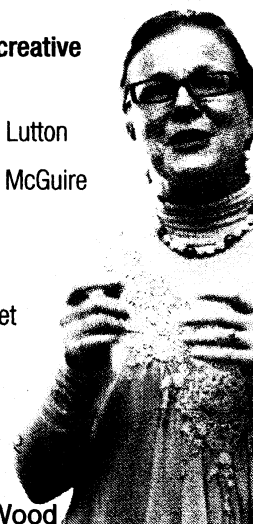
Professor Daniela Anna Stehlik

The Productivity Agenda

Ms Sarina Bratton
Mr Alan Cransberg
Professor Jeanette Hackett
Ms Liz Harris
Ms Marilynne Paspaley
Ms Natalie Tabbah
Mr Keith Spence

Towards a creative Australia

Mr Matthew Lutton
Mr Marshall McGuire
Ms Shelagh Magadza
Prof Margaret Seares



Fiona Wood