National Congress of Women

How can we save Earth for ourselves and future generations?

Sunday 11th-Monday 12th September 2022

Sunday 11 September			
09:00	Registrations open		Coffee and conversation
09:30	The Chanting is Beginning – introduction and Welcome to Country	Dr Matilda House, Dr Janet Salisbury	
09:45	Artistic opening – 'The Singing Hill'	Dr Glenda Cloughley, Jo Valentine	
10.00	Connections – introductions to each other and to the Charter		
10:20	Wisdom of Elders	Dr Valerie Cooms, Hon Margaret Reynolds, Jo Valentine, Hon Dr Sharman Stone	Panel conversation, Q & A
11:20	Break		
11:40	Seeds of Renewal 1 – Transforming power through political leadership	Sen Karen Grogan, Bridget Archer MP, Zali Steggall OAM MP, Sen Janet Rice, Cheryl Durrant (moderator)	Panel conversation, Q & A, group discussion
13:00	Lunch		
13:45	Seeds of Renewal 2 – Transforming power through creative vision	Dr Valerie Cooms, Dr Janet Salisbury, Miriam Picard, Alison Plevey, Dr Sally Blake (moderator)	Panel conversation, Q & A, group discussion
15:00	Break		
15:20	Seeds of Renewal 3 – Transforming power through community and business leadership	Sam Mostyn AO, Charlie Wood, Sophia Hamblin Wang, Emma Garlett, Dr Kate Auty (moderator)	Panel conversation, Q & A, group discussion
16:40	Assistant Minister for Climate Change and Energy	Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister	Presentation
16:50	Overview of the day Artistic close — 'Songs for Gaia'	Congress hosting team A Chorus of Women	
17:30 — 19.00	Reception, social	Natalie Isaacs HE Mr Armando Vargas Araya, Sophia Fletcher and Bronwyn Kelly	Book presentation (video) Costa Rican achievements Music

	Monday 12 September				
08:30	Networking		Coffee and conversation		
09:30	Artistic opening	'She Spins'	Video		
	Check in and review of previous day	Dr Janet Salisbury	Presentation		
	Pacific Women's Voices	Pefi King	Presentation		
10:00	 New Shoots 1 'Climate Compact' — A national plan for action on climate change Australia Together — Transforming power through long-term integrated planning 	Prof Kim Rubenstein Dr Bronwyn Kelly	Presentation		
10:40	Break				
10:55	Outline of Women's Charter for Change and introduction to small group discussions	Congress hosting team	Presentation		
11:15	 New Growth 1 — Actions for change Embrace gender-inclusive governance Create a unified national plan for action on climate change Uphold intergenerational equity and rights of Earth life Listen and learn from First Nations' knowledge Create paths and policies for tolerance and peace 	Cheryl Durrant Prof Kim Rubenstein Dr Arnagretta Hunter Dr Honey Nelson (TBC) Barbara O'Dwyer	Parallel small group conversations sessions with group hosts		
12:00	New Shoots 2 • The public good — a renewed 'why' for our times	Dr Millie Rooney	Presentation		
12:15	 New Growth 2 — Actions for change (contd) Adopt new economic models and values Encourage citizen participation in governance Elevate compassion and kindness in government Support imagination and creative thinking Design education fit for purpose into the future 	Susan Helyar Emma Fletcher Dr Lynne Reeder Toni Hassan Dr Jenny Robinson	Parallel small group conversations with group hosts		
13:00	Lunch				
13:45	Bringing the Threads Together – Action plan. Commitments	All participants	Reflections on parallel sessions,		
14:50	Artistic Close — 'Ubuntu'	A Chorus of Women			
15:00	'The Singing Hill revisited' — proposed visit to Parliament House	Participants	TBC		