NSW Adult Literacy and Numeracy Council
Conference 2011

When: Friday 9 December, 2011 9 am – 4 pm
Where: Aerial Function Centre, University of Technology, Sydney

The NSW Adult Literacy and Numeracy Council annual conference will be held in partnership with the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of Technology Sydney.

The theme of the 2011 conference is: Participation, Partnerships and Professionalism: the ‘other’ PPP of Adult Literacy and Numeracy. Many VET practitioners would be familiar with PPP as the Productivity Places Program whose stated objective is ‘to provide targeted training to support the development of skills in Australia to meet existing and future industry demands. Our Conference this year will focus on the ‘other’ PPP that many of us value in the work that we do as adult literacy and numeracy practitioners:

- Participation: providing pathways, support, encouragement and reason for adults to participate in learning;
- Partnerships: working in partnerships with community and government agencies and service providers, philanthropic organisations, local business and employers to support literacy and numeracy learning that are accessible, relevant and responsible to our learners' and their communities' needs and aspirations;
- Professionalism: valuing and engaging in professional development ourselves to ensure that the work we do is of the highest professional; and ethical standards.

The conference will feature keynote addresses by -
- Joe Lo Bianco, Professor of Language and Literacy Education from the University of Melbourne, author of the 1987 National Policy on Languages; and
- John Falzon, CEO of the St Vincent de Paul Society National Council and social justice advocate

There will also be a series of workshops by experienced practitioners and researchers that reflect the diverse contexts in which adult literacy and numeracy practitioners work. (Detailed program will be posted as they are finalised.

Cost: including morning and afternoon tea and lunch:
NSW Adult Literacy& Numeracy Council members - $100  (Organisational members can send 1 delegate at this rate)
Non-Members - $150
Workshop presenters - $50
Student teachers (to volunteer for some tasks) - $50

Online registration will soon be available at: http://www.nswalnc.uts.edu.au/

The Annual General Meeting of the Council will follow the conference at 4.30 pm.