



Australian Social Cohesion: Exploring New Directions (ASCEND)

Lunch and Learn: 2020 Wrap-up

COMMITTEE	ASCEND – Lunch and Learn Seminars
DATE / TIME	7th December 2020 1200-1400
VENUE	Online (Zoom link will be provided after registration)

Join us as the ASCEND team presents an overview of the research progress to date, and an outlook on future research and perspectives.

Timeslot	Speaker/ Topic
12pm	DIRECTOR and SHARE leads - Kate and Michael Project Intro <i>Overview of the ASCEND project which aims to establish a proof of concept for strengthening social cohesion in an increasingly fragmented world.</i>
1215-1230	SYNTHESIS Nima Orazani: <i>Theory and measurement – what is a robust multidisciplinary measure of social cohesion?</i>
1230-1235	Discussion
1235-1250	SYNTHESIS: James O'Donnell <i>How can diversity and social cohesion best be geographically mapped?</i>
1250-1255	Discussion
1255-1310	STOCKTAKE and SCALE UP: Babita Bhat, Pradeep Hota, Israr Qureshi <i>What is currently being done with respect to social cohesion (including community grants, citizenship, laws, social enterprise and public policy)? What are the successes, failures and challenges?</i> <i>What are the successes and failures with social impact investing and are there implications for the social cohesion area?</i>
1310-1315	Discussion
1315-1330	STOCKTAKE Anne MacDuff and Nick Brown <i>What laws have impacted social cohesion throughout Australian history?</i>
1330-1335	Discussion
1335-1350	SOLVE: Clarke Jones - community engagement and co-design <i>How can best practice participatory methods be put into practice to co-design a social cohesion intervention and what are the risks?</i>
1350-1400	discussion and final thoughts