

Australian Council for Adult Literacy 25th National Conference

Hosted by the NSW Adult Literacy and Numeracy Council



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EXCLUSION / INCLUSION

Friday 1 November – Saturday 2 November 2002

Manly Pacific Park Royal Sydney

31 October – National Forum on Refugees

**CALL FOR PAPERS
AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS**





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In 2002, media commentary and community debate is highlighting social divides which have the potential to establish a wedge of discontent amongst Australians. This mood is depicted as an unforgiving one.

However, many people and community groups are challenging this mood and the 2002 ACAL Conference aims to provide an opportunity to articulate these divides, examine the issues, and illustrate ways of bridging these perceived divides to bring about social inclusion.

The NSW Adult Literacy and Numeracy Council (ALNC) will host the Australian Council of Adult Literacy (ACAL) Conference.

Teachers, researchers, program managers and policy analysts working in the field of adult literacy and numeracy are invited to express an interest in either delivering a workshop session or developing a poster presentation for the Conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Register online from 28th March 2002 at www.hotelnetwork.com.au**
- **Call for papers closes 10th May**
- **Registration forms distributed 1st July**
- **Earlybird Closes 31st July**
- **Registrations close 25th October**
- **National Forum on Refugees 31st October**
- **Bridging the divides: Exclusion/Inclusion commences 1st November**

We are seeking presentations that address issues of social exclusion or inclusion in relation to adult literacy and numeracy practices.

Proposals may include:

- Exemplifying effective literacy and numeracy practices in relation to potential divides in adult education, such as cross-cultural and migration issues; e-learning and the digital divide; geographic isolation and training for employment, gender, age and class;
- Critiquing current state and federal government policies;
- Identifying ways of implementing policies inclusively.

Formats for the presentations will include:

- individual papers
- workshops
- panels of up to 4 speakers
- poster presentations

Email proposals of no more than 200 words to btd@hotelnetwork.com.au in rich text format or saved as Microsoft Word 97 by Friday 10th May 2002. Presenters will be notified by Friday 7th June of their inclusion in the Conference program.

Conference updates will be available at www.hotelnetwork.com.au or through the ACAL website on www.acal.edu.au

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