



# CULTURALLY SPEAKING

## 2 DAY WORKSHOP

Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th March, 2013

TOWARDS PARTNERSHIP *with* ABORIGINAL PEOPLE



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### *Towards a culturally sensitive, vigorous and productive cross cultural engagement*

Today more than ever, effective intercultural awareness and cross cultural communication skills are fundamental to working effectively with Aboriginal people in developing strategies, policies, programs and business.

This course promotes effective communication across cultures, breaks down perceived barriers and profiles relationship building.

There are many Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians working in the field of Aboriginal affairs from which great opportunities, prosperity and a variety of challenges are generated. For this reason and in this contemporary, cross-cultural environment it is critical that non-Aboriginal people understand a common Aboriginal reality of 'walking in two worlds' - the western/organisational 'world' and the Aboriginal cultural 'world' - where values, expectations, obligations and behaviours can be distinct.

#### **OUR AIM**

We aim to work with participants to provide them with a greater understanding of cross cultural dynamics and issues, which can be applied to projects, or within the workplace. We also explore our own attitudes, beliefs and reflect on how these influence our style of communication and work outputs. An overarching intent is to stimulate

genuine interest and passion that helps to build or improve the relationship between you or your organisation and Aboriginal people, and explore how we can all become more effective in working together

#### **WHY CULTURALLY SPEAKING?**

We use an engaging, interactive, 'warts and all' conversational approach. Leading the conversations are Kim Bridge and Tim Muirhead, who have 20 years of Aboriginal Cross Cultural Training experience between them. They guide participants through essential aspects of Aboriginal culture while demonstrating its relevance in today's workplace — whether in business, government departments, research projects, or non-government organisation. The course will provide participants with a broad and insightful understanding of the key issues involved in Aboriginal cross cultural collaboration.

#### **KEY THEMES ADDRESSED:**

A detailed agenda of the two-day workshop, including specific content and key themes, will be provided for interested parties. A workbook is provided on the day.

**WHERE:** The Banksia room, Wollaston Conference Centre, (just off) Wollaston Road, Mt Claremont

**WHEN:** Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th March 2013

**TIME:** 8:45 am (for 9am start) – 4:30 pm

**COST:** \$895.00 per person (Including GST, course materials, light refreshments, and lunch)

**Register your interest by email to [v.leach@curtin.edu.au](mailto:v.leach@curtin.edu.au)**

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