



# Networking the networks

People, policies and practice

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# TAFE SA exists to

- Create wealth for individuals and the State of South Australia
- Change individuals' lives for the better
- Liberate people through learning



# TAFE SA

- 53 Campuses and Learning Centres
- 80,000 students
- 91% employed or in further study (5% higher than the national average)
- 1450 accredited courses



# Flexible way to learn

- Internal: on-Campus
- External: off-campus/correspondence/online
- Mixed: various mixtures of off and on-Campus.
- Workplace training



# VET Teaching and Learning

- Competency based training & assessment.
- Lecturers are industry based
- Programs take advice from industry as to regional needs
- Building community capacity with Regional Economic Development boards.




# Creating pathways to study

- VET in Schools
- Recognition of Prior Learning
- Credit Transfer
  
- Students may begin their studies at entry level with no skills or experience.



# TAFE University Collaboration

- Models for community capacity building across Regional South Australia
  - Sharing of facilities
  - Pathways from TAFE to University
  - Shared delivery



# Impediments to take-up of post-secondary education in regional areas.

- What's the point of education?
- Lack of opportunities for creative jobs
- Young people like to get away to 'bright city lights'



# Issues for Education Business & Industry

- Falling population in regional areas
- Rural SA is a regional economy in a Regional Economy
- Thin markets for VET & University sector
- ICT infrastructure.



# Generational Change

- Infrastructure to support population growth for vibrant communities
- Social cohesion to support rural lifestyle
- Employment creation
- Long term approach.