

RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME

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Welcome to our latest supporter update!

Race Discrimination Commissioner at the National Press Club

Race Discrimination Commissioner, Dr Tim Soutphommasane, addressed the National Press Club in Canberra last week. In the address, the Commissioner outlined the details of the second phase of the National Anti-Racism Strategy, under which work will fall under two distinct but complementary areas: combatting racism and discrimination and supporting diversity and inclusion.

You can [watch](#) or [read](#) the Commissioner's address online, and can find out more about the second phase of the Strategy in the newly released [evaluation report](#).



Nominations open for 'Racism. It Stops With Me' award

We are delighted to announce that this year's Human Rights Awards will feature a new 'Racism. It Stops With Me' category, which will recognise the contribution of an organisation to reducing and preventing racism in Australia.

Organisational supporters working in the anti-racism space are encouraged to nominate.

Other awards categories include the Human Rights Medal, the Young People's Human rights Medal and the Business Award, among others.

More details can be found on the Awards [website](#).

***Building Social Cohesion in our Communities* resource – NSW launch**

A new resource for local government, *Building Social Cohesion in our Communities*, is being launched in Sydney later this month. The resource, developed by the Australian Human Rights Commission with the assistance of the Australian Centre for Excellence in Local Government, supports local governments to build strong, socially cohesive communities.

Launch details:

Date: Thursday 30 July 2015

Time: 5 – 7pm

Location: UTS, Aerial Function Centre Harris Room, Building 10, Level 7, 235 Jones St, Ultimo

RSVP: [here](#)

Watch this space for details of the upcoming launch in Victoria.

Supporter activities

Check out this great photo compilation by campaign supporter, City West Water. A great visual way to help promote the campaign message.



If you want to promote the campaign in your organisation or community, we have downloadable campaign pledge cards and frames to help you. Take a look at the 'pledge template' section of our [website](#) for more info.

A reminder that the Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils of Australia (FECCA) will be holding the 2015 National Biennial Conference in Sydney on 5-6 November.

The conference will draw together leading decision makers, thinkers and practitioners to discuss and debate key issues that relate to Australian multiculturalism.

Find out more about the conference [here](#).

Nominations are now open for the Centre for Multicultural Youth's MY Education Awards, which recognise the work of organisations working to better education outcomes for young people from refugee and migrant backgrounds.

Find out more about the awards on CMY's [website](#).

Check out this great video by the Western Bulldogs as part of their Be Loud, Be Fair anti-discrimination campaign:



Supporter of the month

It's great to see Ipswich City Council create their own personalised campaign resources. These bumper stickers and bags were handed out to members of the local community at a recent Welcome to Ipswich event, which included a welcome ceremony for new migrants and refugees and a family fun day for the whole community.



If you're an organisational supporter, you can promote the campaign through creating your own co-branded merchandise. Just get in touch (email to antiracismsecretariat@humanrights.gov.au) for access to the campaign logo.

Seeking good practice case studies

We know that many of you are doing great work in the anti-racism space. We're on the look-out for new case studies and would love to share what your organisation has been doing.

Get in touch (email to antiracismsecretariat@humanrights.gov.au) to discuss your activities for the chance to feature on our [website](#).

Until next time!
The campaigns team



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