



**Global U8 Consortium
The 5th Council of Presidents' Meeting**

RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia

September 21 – 24, 2008

DRAFT AGENDA

September 21, 2008 (Sunday)

GU8 Participants arrive and check in to The Sofitel Melbourne, 25 Collins Street, Melbourne – Transfer from the Airport to The Sofitel Melbourne has been arranged with the hotel – please watch for their staff when you exit through customs.

Aboriginal heritage walk with the local custodians of the area – the Boonwurrung and Woiworung people. The walk takes place in the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne and will be followed by an early barbeque dinner (guests will be transferred to and from the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne)

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| 2:00pm | Presidents pre-meeting at The Sofitel Hotel, Sofitel foyer cafe (Sofi's) |
| 3:00pm | Meet in lobby for transfer to cruise |
| 3:30pm | Aboriginal heritage walk |
| 5:00pm | Dinner at the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne and welcome (casual attire) |
| 8:00pm | Return to Hotel |

September 22, 2008 (Monday)

- 8:30am Meet in lobby to walk to RMIT with escort (8:45 for 9:00 start)
- 9:00–12:00 Opening Ceremony
- 9:00am Presidents Approve Agenda
- 9:05am Welcoming Address Professor Margaret Gardner AO, Vice-Chancellor and President, RMIT University
- 9:15am Opening Address Dr. Robert L. Carothers, Chair of GU8 Council of Presidents and President, University of Rhode Island
- 9:25am Remarks by Presidents of GU8 Members
 Dr. Seoung-Yong Hong, Honorary Chair of GU8 Council of Presidents and President, Inha University
 Professor Margaret Gardner AO, Vice-Chancellor and President, RMIT University
 Dr. Camille Galap, President, University of Le Havre
 Professor David Drewry, Vice-Chancellor, University of Hull
 Vice President and Professor Wu Daguang, Xiamen University on behalf of Dr. Chongshi Zhu, President, Xiamen University
- 11:00am Coffee Break
- 11:15am Status of GU8
 Professor Judy Beckman, Secretary-General of GU8 Consortium
- 11:35am Council of Presidents Chair, Dr. Robert L. Carothers, leads discussion of issues raised in reports on the status of the GU8 and its members
- 11:55am Memorial Photograph
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 1:30pm GU8 Joint Research Committee Report
 Dr. Peter Alfonso, Vice President for Research and Economic Development, University of Rhode Island, Chair of the Joint Research Committee
 - JRC Task Force Initiative
 - Future Supply Chain Task Force Proposal
 - International Intellectual Property Policy
 - GU8 Research Foundation Policy
- 2:10pm Presidents' Discussion

- 2:40pm GU8 Education Committee Report
Dr. Eveline Fallshaw, Dean Academic Development Business Portfolio, RMIT University, Chair of the Education Committee
- Recommendations from RMIT and Hull Education Committee Resolutions 2007 and 2008
 - Proposed revised charge (terms of reference) for the Education Committee
 - Global Masters in Logistics Program presentation
- 3:30pm Presidents' Discussion
- 3:50pm Meeting concludes and delegates return to The Sofitel
- 4:30pm Delegates to be met at The Sofitel Melbourne and taken on a tour walking through Melbourne to the main RMIT Campus and shown some of the main buildings and facilities.
- 6:30pm Delegates will then be escorted for pre-dinner drinks at the Old Melbourne Gaol which is located on the RMIT Campus on Russell Street, Melbourne. This will be followed by dinner at the Old Melbourne Gaol with some entertainment.
- 9:30pm Return to Hotel

September 23, 2008 (Tuesday)

8:30am Meet in lobby to walk to RMIT with escort (8:45 for 9:00 start)

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- Mission Statement
- Strategies for GU8 financial stability
- Membership

11:00 am Coffee Break

11:15am GU8 Future Activities

- Host institution and date of the 6th Council of Presidents
- Leadership going forward

12:00pm Lunch

1:30pm Summation of 5th COP Meeting and Adoption of Melbourne Declaration

2:15pm Signatures and Press

2:30pm Choice of cultural activities (to be chosen by delegate)

National Gallery Victoria – within walking distance to The Sofitel Melbourne

Founded in 1861, it is the oldest and largest public art gallery in Australia and located at Federation Square, corner of Swanston and Flinders Street, Melbourne – about 10 minutes walk from The Sofitel Melbourne

Golf at Yarra Bend Public Golf Course 18 holes, Par 70

Transfer to and from the Golf Course can be arranged.

This golf course has a scenic setting around the Yarra River with abundant wild life. Grass Greens and undulating fairways on a course noted for its native trees and animals, especially birdlife.

Melbourne Zoo

Transfer to and from the zoo can be arranged

Experience the wonder of the world's wildlife with a walk through the award-winning Melbourne Zoo. More than 300 species are on display in a brilliant botanical setting only 4km from the city including Australian Wildlife.

- 6:00pm Meet in lobby for transfer to Restaurant
- 6:30pm Formal dinner and exchanging of gifts at Donovans, located at Jacka Boulevard, St Kilda which overlooks the bay and the Melbourne city skyline.
- 10:30pm Return to hotel