

# IVETA Hotline

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## Message from the IVETA President



### **Carmel Thompson, 2015-2016 President**

This is my first formal message to you since I was elected as President in January 2015. I am very honoured to take on this position and you have my personal assurance that I will be doing my utmost to work on promoting the IVETA brand and stressing the importance of vocational training to educational and training organisations, funding bodies and governments around the world.

If we reflect on our Mission Statement: "IVETA is a network of vocational educators and service providers dedicated to the advancement and improvement of high-quality vocational education and training wherever it exists and wherever it is needed" it will remind you why you became a member and how important our role is in assisting citizens around the world to gain dignity, prosperity and self worth. Vocational training provides pathways to jobs and as such our organisation must play its part by supporting good quality training programs that prepare their students for the world of work and for future job opportunities.

Our membership currently are resided in 52 different countries and as such we are truly in a position to be able to share expertise, support each other and demonstrate best practice case studies on what is happening all over the world. Reflect on our logo "THE HANDSHAKE" as I believe that is what IVETA is all about. We are a family and if you come to our Regional and International Conferences you will see like-minded people and meet new colleagues who become friends.

I have the passion but I cannot do it alone so I ask you all to be active IVETA members for the next couple of years. Together we can achieve great things.

Your executive committee are currently finalising a Strategic Plan and it will be emailed out to you within two weeks. We will be focusing on growing membership and providing increased value and services to members.

The 2015 IVETA International Conference is being held in partnership with Sarawak Skills Development Center and Pusat Pembongunan Kermahiran (**it will be one not to miss**) with 1,000 participants expected and very prominent Key Note Speakers and Dignitaries attending. Dates are August 25-27, 2015 and it is being held at Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia.

The 2016 IVETA International Conference has just been agreed to by your Executive. It is being hosted in Fiji jointly by the Fiji National University and the Pacific Association of TVET and the dates are August 23-25, 2016. Write the dates in your diary and bring the family along to enjoy an Island Holiday afterwards. Check it out on our website.

And don't forget our Annual Business Conference being held in New Orleans, US, in November 2015. Details will be up on our website shortly.

Lots happening this year and I do hope to see you at our conferences as we all need to work together to achieve our goals and make IVETA an even greater organisation.

**Carmel Thompson, IVETA President**

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## IVETA News

### IVETA Journal

Consider submitting an article for the IVETA Journal. [Click here for information on how to submit an article for publication](#) or cut and paste this Web address in your browser: <http://iveta.org/journal>

### Submit a Presentation Proposal for the 2015 IVETA Annual Conference

Proposals are now being accepted for the 2015 Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. Cut and paste this this Web address in your browser:

<http://iveta.org/2015AnnualConference> or [Click here for more information](#)

### New Executive Secretariat/Contact IVETA

Please contact me if I can answer questions about your membership, the Web site or any other inquiries. As the new Executive Secretariat, I am available to assist you. Click here for [contact information](#) or cut and paste this Web address in your browser: <http://iveta.org/contact>

I look forward to answering your questions about IVETA!

Christine Gardner, Executive Secretariat

## Events



### International Conference 2015 - Malaysia

Join us August 25 -27, 2015. For more information, [click here](#) or cut and paste the following Web address in your browser:

<http://www.worldtvvet2015.com.my/>

### IVETA Annual Conference 2015 - United States

SAVE THE DATE! IVETA will meet in New Orleans, Louisiana Nov. 18-19, 2015. [Call for Presentation Proposals - click here](#) or cut and paste this Web address in your browser:

<http://iveta.org/2015AnnualConference>

### International Conference 2016 - Fiji

SAVE THE DATE! August 23-25, 2016

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## Region News

### New Australian Training

**Standards** - Click here to read the new standards implemented:

[East Asia and the Pacific](#)