

Meet the facilitator

Kimberly D Downes, CFRE, FFIA, CAP

Philanthropy and Fundraising Strategist

Known as a change maker and advocate for growing women's philanthropy, Kimberly is a strategic thinker and communicator with executive management skills.

She is known as a result driven senior strategist and engagement specialist and is an expert at driving through change by bringing all stakeholders together in positive, creative environments.

With over 30-years' experience in fundraising, philanthropy and management, Kimberly is a recognized accomplished senior fundraising strategist with extensive experience and global voice on philanthropy in Australia. She tailors best-practice methodologies with organizational ethos and values to create a sustainable culture of philanthropy.

She has done extensive study on creating a culture of philanthropy and the motivations behind women's giving.

She has published a research report on "The Role and Influence of Women in Australian Philanthropy" and is a co-author of the book: Rise Above, Beyond Ordinary.

Kimberly has served on several NFP Boards and is currently Co-Chair of the Australian Pituitary Foundation and on the Advisory Board for Big Group Hug. She is a member of Business in Heels and G100. She is also a specialist consultant for Giving Connect. She has a history of presenting at FIA, Educate Plus, Fundraising and Philanthropy, Philanthropy Australia and CASE Conferences.

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