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Tech Diversity Gala Dinner
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11 Nov

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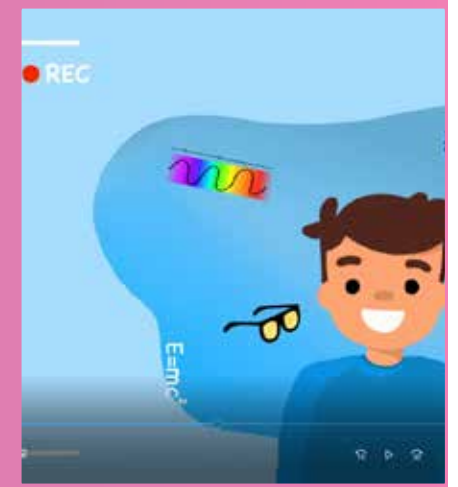
16 Feb

veski family day
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veski STEM filminators video of the year Competition
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29 Apr

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Victoria Prize for Science and Innovation and Victoria Fellowships in 2019 - Awards ceremony
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veski fellowships

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veski connection - partnered event

19 May

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veski delivered – fellowships, scholarships & awards

23 Sep

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veski operations

veski continues to adapt its operation to support the delivery of growing fellowship programs, global connections and a range of complementary events and activities as well as our test bed environments.

veski funding

veski secured funding from the State Government of Victoria through the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions to continue to deliver its core activities for 2019/20, including our flagship **veski** innovation fellowship program.

veski continues to benefit from tax concession charity status on the grounds that it is a charitable institution.

veski gratefully acknowledges the support of its founding partner the State Government of Victoria.



Other support

veski continues to develop its relationship with the philanthropic and business sectors and is constantly pursuing opportunities to secure collaborative funding for our activities.

For the 2019/20 financial year, **veski** would like to thank all organisations, including host organisations, for their financial and in-kind support and continued encouragement of **veski** and its programs, including the **veski** inspiring women **STEM sidebyside** program supporters in 2020.

veski foundation trust

In 2019/20, the **veski** foundation trust continues to operate as a deductible gift recipient (DGR) fund that can receive tax deductible gifts from philanthropic organisations and private donors.

A generous contribution from the John T Reid Charitable Trusts in previous financial years supported the establishment of the **veski** sustainable agriculture fellowships.

This year, **veski** continues to collaborate with Yoinki, a free mobile app, as a fundraising solution to support Agtech projects in Australian regional, rural and remote communities.



veski marketing and communications

veski embraces digital communications as its primary avenue for reaching its growing audience. Key channels include; a quarterly newsletter, **veski** highlights; regular articles via its website veski.org.au; articles and video in online media and an active share of the social media conversation on Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube and Facebook.

Social media @veskiorg

In the past 12 months, **veski** has increased its Twitter followers from 2,541 to 2929. **veski**'s exclusive LinkedIn and Facebook groups for members of the **veski** connected community has also grown and has been used to promote a range of **veski** events and broader innovation activities. [@veskiorg](#) [#veski](#) [#veskifellows](#) [#STEMsidebyside](#).

veski website

veski's website continues to provide a platform for showcasing the work of **veski** and members of the **veski** connected community.

veski has also continued to publish regular **veski** highlights, with the subscription list growing substantially in the past 12 months to over 5000 members.

Promotion of veski fellowship recipients

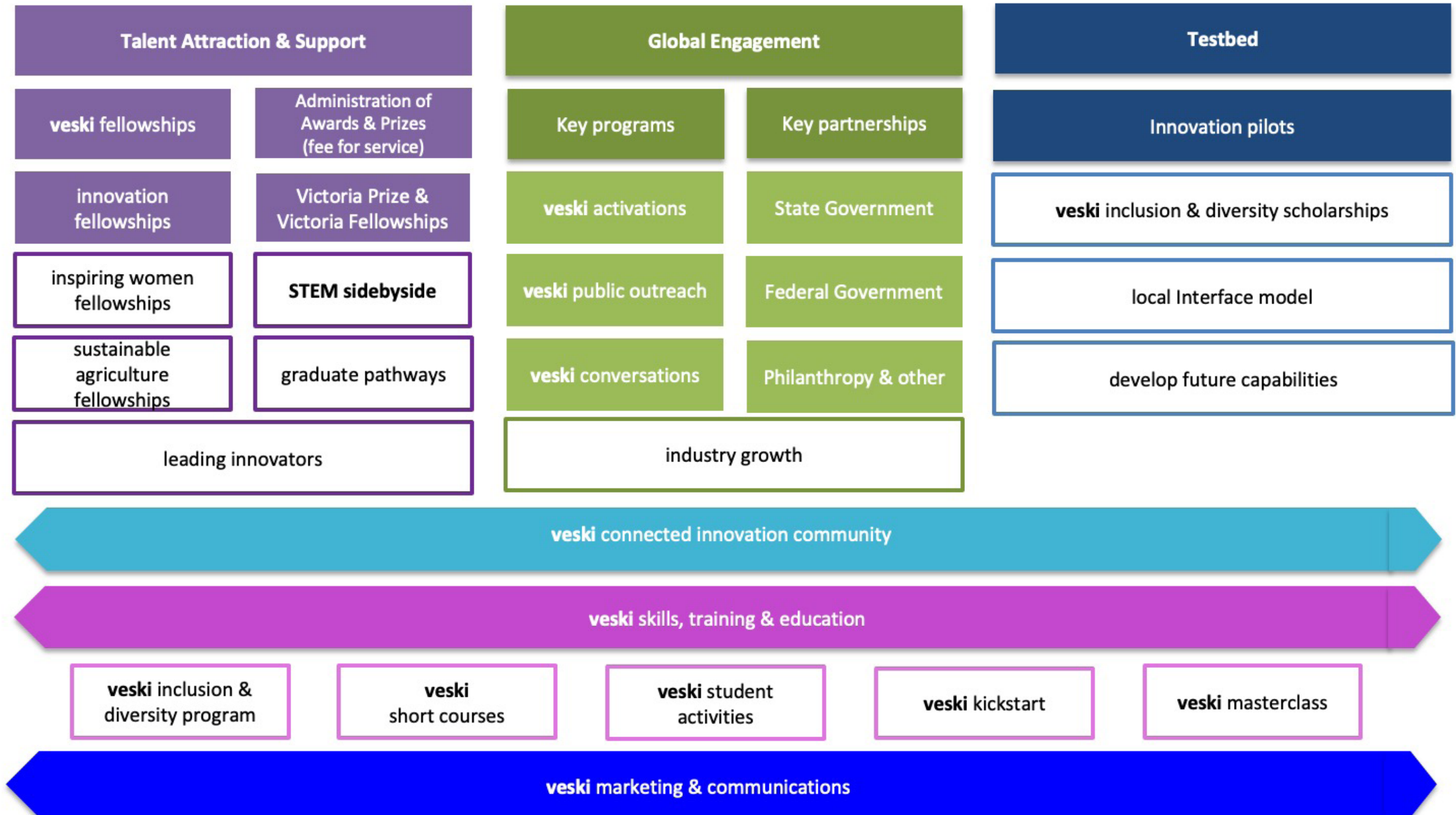
From celebrating the successes of our **veski** fellows and leading a discussion about innovation in agriculture, **veski** has continued to attract significant media attention.

veski coverage is regularly collated on the **veski** website under the **veski** family in the media section.

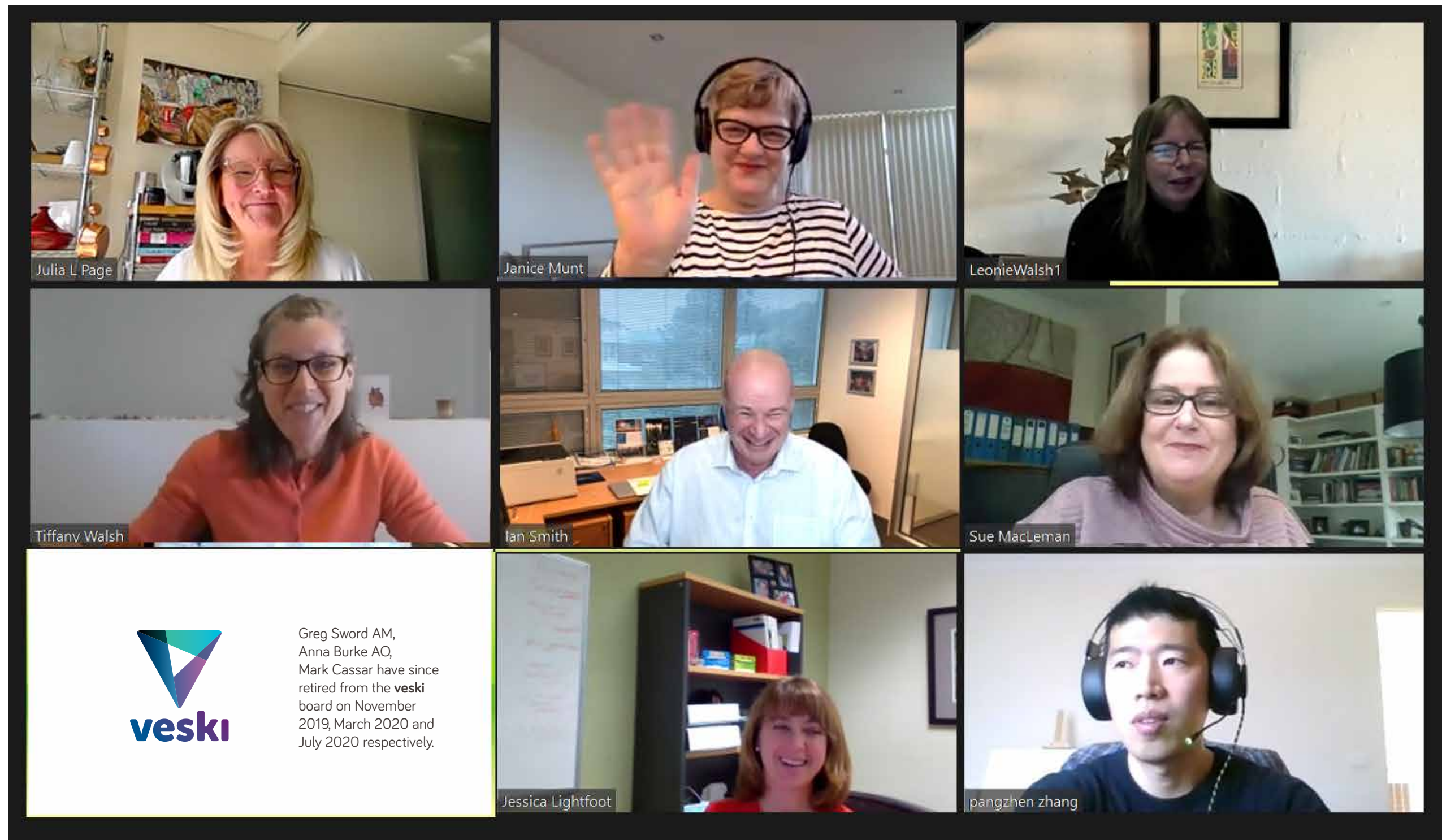
veski staff

A small, dedicated team of staff with specific skills in administration, finance, events and project management support the **veski** MD & chief executive. The team supports the delivery of **veski**'s programs and activities including the flagship **veski** innovation fellowship program.

veski strategy



veski board



chair's report

Although this has been a challenging year, I have been able to find the time to stop and reflect on our achievements as an organization. Not only to celebrate our successes and impacts but to also to work with the **veski** community to explore ways that **veski** can grow and develop our offerings to further support of Victoria's response to the recovery of our innovation community.



Through our flagship **veski** innovation fellowships, on 19 November 2019 we had the pleasure of welcoming our 28th **veski** innovation fellow – Associate Professor Timothy Scott, Victoria's new secret weapon in the war on waste – who returned from Michigan University to take up his position at the Department of Chemical Engineering and Department of Materials Science at Monash University. It is always a great pleasure to work with the other members of the **veski** science committee and have this unique opportunity in bringing the best and brightest talent to Australian shores to further strengthen the Victorian science and innovation community through **veski**'s tried and tested talent attraction activities.

Alongside our **veski** innovation fellowship program, **veski** continues

to administer the prestigious Victoria Prize for Science and Innovation & Victoria Fellowships on behalf of the Victorian Government - recognizing the achievements of our home grown talent in Victoria and providing early-career researchers the much needed support, especially in these extraordinary times, to enable them to build their international networks and grow their knowledge capacity. This year, we saw an exponential increase in the applications submitted for the Victoria Fellowships demonstrating the necessity of such prestigious programs and at the same time highlighting the wonderful talent we have in Victoria.

Throughout 2019-2020, under our skills, training and education banner **veski** has continued to build its partnerships with Universities and Centres of Excellence - tailoring

workshops to masters and PhD students delivering much needed enterprise skills and practical experience in developing their own pitch for promoting their research and themselves to various audiences.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the **veski** MD & chief executive and her team for their hard work over the year in redeveloping **veski**'s offerings and moving much of our services online as we emerge from a purely working from home environment to a hybrid model that will accommodate the needs of our stakeholders as we move into 2021 and beyond...

I also extend my sincere thanks to the members of the **veski** and **veski** foundation boards for their time, commitment and dedication to our cause – making special mention and my sincere thanks to Greg Sword AM, Anna Burke AO and Mark Cassar who retired during the past 12 months for their time and dedication. Equally a very warm welcome to Dr Leonie Walsh & Ms Janice Munt who have recently joined the board.

Finally, I was very pleased to see **veski**'s achievements highlighted in a very recent paper "Stimulating the Science and Research Ecosystem Creates Jobs and Investment" which was developed by the Victorian Lead Scientist (Dr Amanda Caples) working with the Australian Council of Learned Academies (ACOLA).

Professor Ian Smith
veski chairman



MD & chief executive report

This has certainly been a year of trials and change – I look forward to emerging even stronger in 2021 and continuing to build upon **veski**'s reputation as an honest broker to support Victoria's COVID recovery.



As part of our Talent Attraction activities we now have a total of 38 **veski** fellows, with Associate Professor Timothy Scott being appointed a **veski** innovation fellow in late 2019 – our latest global researcher brought to Victoria. Tim is another example of the caliber of talent that **veski** attracts – reinforcing the value and need for this prestigious program. None of this would have been possible without the ongoing support of the Victorian Government as well as the Victorian institutions who host our innovation fellows.

Also at the end of 2019, we brought a diverse group of thought leaders and big thinkers together for a **veski** conversation on Uncovering future prosperity in agriculture – technology enabled and human centred. The stimulating discussion unfolded the knowledge, capacity and capability that is accessible in Victoria and Australia and also highlighted areas where opportunities lie to support the agriculture sector.

In March 2020, **veski** partnered with Global Victoria and the Office for Women to deliver a workshop entitled In conversation - Women in Victoria: STEM to the world - Local Victorian STEM women and members of the **veski** connected community joined 14 international delegates from 7 countries, as part of the inaugural all-women Global Victoria Women's Business Summit, for an invigorating discussion and opportunity to share experiences on what is working, the gaps and actions to advance STEM women, and business to break down barriers.

A third iteration of the **veski** inspiring women **STEM sidebyside** program, with the support of the British Consulate General Melbourne, was launched in May 2020 exclusively for mid-career emerging leaders. In the midst of the pandemic and the growing evidence of its impact on women, at work and at home – we knew we had to deliver this program virtually to continue our work and the responsibility to advocate for

women in STEM and support them so that they emerge at the other end with the skills and confidence to continue to make change, lead and achieve their career goals.

A year of virtual communication led to the development of the **veski** STEM filminator video of the year competition. Amidst home schooling and online learning the challenge was taken up by over 30 students across 6 Victorian high schools to get creative and produce a 1min40sec video on a STEM subject of their choice. After a review by a judging panel, **veski** revealed the finalists during National Science Week (15-23 August 2020) with the inaugural **veski** STEM filminator of the year – Ryan Le from Keysborough Secondary College – announced by the Victorian Lead Scienst, Dr Amanda Caples.

My sincere thanks to the **veski** board of directors for their unwavering support of **veski** over the past 12 months and to the small dedicated **veski** team my deepest thanks and congratulations to surviving during this most challenging year!

Julia L Page
veski MD & chief executive



veski connection



The **veski** connection is an exclusive and prestigious group of the brightest minds, thought leaders and innovators from across academia, research industry, media, philanthropy and government.

The group now includes more than 560 members of the national and international science, business and innovation communities representing a range of sectors.

During the year, as part of our ongoing commitment to members of the **veski** connection, **veski** hosted a number of events to encourage collaboration and networking among peers, like-minded colleagues, key stakeholders, and key policy makers, including:

- In conversation – Women in Victoria: STEM to the world as part of Global Victoria Women's 2020 Summit
- hosted tables at the Tech Diversity Gala Dinner, ABCC International Women's Day Breakfast, International Women's Day – Ladies in Racing, and Diversity in the Fast Lane with the British Consulate General Melbourne.
- **veski** family day
- quarterly **veski** conversations.

veski fellowships

veski delivers a number of Victoria's most prestigious fellowship programs, including our flagship **veski** innovation fellowships, further strengthening collaboration between Victoria and the rest of the world.

During 2019/2020, **veski** announced the 28th **veski** innovation fellow.

Over the 16 year period in which **veski** has been awarding **veski** innovation fellowships, collectively, the innovation fellows have leveraged additional funds to the State of Victoria in excess of 18.4:1 to support their research efforts from federal and international funding bodies. That's a little over \$68.2 million in return for a modest \$4.15 million investment in Victorian research[^]. **veski**'s call for applications for the innovation fellowships continue to attract large numbers of applications from the top 5% of researchers globally.

veski innovation fellows listed as shown on covers

Prof Roger Pocock - Monash University
 Prof Kenneth Crozier - University of Melbourne
 Prof Andrew Holmes - University of Melbourne
 Adj A/Prof Gareth Forde - QUT
 Prof Colby Zaph - Monash University
 Prof Colette McKay - The Bionics Institute
 Prof Richard Sandberg - University of Melbourne
 A/Prof Matthew Call - WEHI
 Prof Benjamin Marsland - Monash University
 Prof Marcus Pandey - University of Melbourne
 A/Prof Alyssa Barry - WEHI
 Prof Michael Cowley - Monash University
 Prof Sarah Hosking - National Breast Cancer Fdn.
 Prof Ygal Haupt - Peter MacCallum
 A/Prof Ross Dickins - Monash University
 Prof Mark Shackleton - Monash University
 Dr Edwin van Leeuwen - Norilsk Nickel

Prof Christopher McNeill - Monash University
 A/Prof Seth Masters - WEHI
 Prof Tiffany Walsh - Deakin University
 Prof Cameron Simmons - Monash University
 Prof Mark Dawson - Peter MacCallum
 A/Prof Luke Connal - Australian National University
 A/Prof Ethan Goddard-Borger - WEHI
 Prof N. Jon Shah - Monash University
 Dr Vihandha Wickramasinghe - Peter MacCallum
 Prof Pierluigi Mancarella - University of Melbourne
 A/Prof Timothy Scott - Monash University

Independent Benefits Assessment

in 2018 an Independent Benefits Assessment was conducted on the **veski** inspiring women fellowships program and the **veski** sustainable agriculture fellowships program - with findings showing a significant return on the initial investment for both programs.

veski inspiring women fellows have delivered a 14.5x return on **veski**'s initial investment and significantly enhanced opportunities for women in research by promoting increased female participation in research and innovation and by providing support that is uniquely flexible in enabling individual women to balance career and family commitments.

The national **veski** sustainable agriculture fellowships have delivered a 5.7x return on **veski**'s initial investment, attracting co-investment and advancing the sector through community engagement and research translation, developing innovative and sustainable practices.

[^]Figures based on an independent review in 2015.

veski innovation fellow in 2019



Associate Professor Timothy Scott

Associate Professor Timothy Scott was presented with a veski innovation fellowship in 2019 for his research project entitled 'Multi-Color Irradiation Systems for Ultra-Rapid Additive Manufacturing'.

Three-dimensional printing is a cutting-edge technology proving to be tremendously useful during the design and prototype stages of industrial production. Also known as additive manufacturing (AM), the worldwide market has grown by up to 30 per cent per year over the past decade, with revenues from services and products totalling more than USD\$7.3 billion in 2017.

Despite this growth, for 3D printing to truly disrupt global manufacturing its speed must dramatically increase.

Associate Professor Timothy Scott has developed an ultra-rapid method of 3D printing. This breakthrough technology is 'one of the first true 3D printers' that uses two beams of light, and light-sensitive resin, to enable high speed, continuous production.

The technique starts with a liquid that is solidified by irradiation with visible or UV light. By patterning that light the method allows you to make three dimensional objects of your choosing. The use of highly viscous, filled resins enable fabrication of composite objects with mechanical and thermal properties far exceeding those of parts made by other contemporary AM approaches.

Existing methods of AM rely on a 'dead zone' to prevent the emerging object from adhering to the resin projection window. This new method adopts a stereolithographic approach where one beam of light is used to solidify the liquid resin and another prevents the parts sticking to the printer window.

The biggest potential of this technology will be in the agile manufacturing of low to moderate volume parts quickly and inexpensively. The recent decrease in Victoria's consumer manufacturing sector, including automotive manufacturing, was due in part to the expense of out-dated, large-scale production methods. This approach is ideal for supporting smaller manufacturing production needs in Victoria.

Timothy's research focus on increasing fabrication rates of the production of polymeric and composite objects will boost Victoria's start-up community and entrepreneurial culture. This breakthrough technology and research will provide extensive entrepreneurial opportunities for scientists and engineers in the rapidly expanding and locally-relevant industry.

The commercial potential of distributed manufacturing that is facilitated by this advance in 3D printing will also support local industry and economic growth through training, jobs, and apprenticeships. There are also significant environmental and public health benefits enabled by reducing transportation emissions and energy consumption related to offshore production.

Timothy brings extensive skills in polymer science to Victoria. His particular specialisation in self-assembly and in the interaction of light with polymeric materials has the potential to advance 3D printing to achieve significantly greater penetration in medical, dental, automotive, and aerospace markets.

This will fundamentally transform AM processes and provide a value proposition for a wider range of potential customers.

veski delivered programs

veski delivered fellowships, scholarships and awards

veski administers a number of fellowship and award programs on behalf of the Victorian Government – including the Victoria Prize for Science & Innovation and the Victoria Fellowships.

In November 2019, a special ceremony was held to combine the announcements of recipients of prestigious veski and Victorian Government awards, recognising science and innovation excellence across Victoria. This included the 28th veski innovation fellow, and the Victoria Prize for Science and Innovation and the Victoria Fellowships, welcomed by then Minister for Jobs, Innovation and Trade, Hon. Martin Pakula MP. The event was attended by representatives of business, government and the science and innovation communities at Investment Centre Victoria.



veski sustainable agriculture fellows

The **veski** sustainable agriculture fellowships supports industry partners, research organisations and industry collaborators seeking to stimulate and further develop Australia's food and agricultural industries with innovative solutions. The inaugural **veski** sustainable agriculture fellowships were funded by the John T Reid Charitable Trusts and have already delivered transformational outcomes.



Dr Pangzhen Zhang
- The University of Melbourne



Professor Luca Corelli Grappadelli
- The University of Bologna



Dr Terry Griffin
- Kansas State University



Dr Kirsty DiGiacomo
- The University of Melbourne

veski inspiring women fellows

The **veski** inspiring women fellowships program provides female leaders an opportunity to remain competitive in their field, enhance the current talent pool and affect cultural change. The fellowship forms a part of **veski's** broad range of programs and activities in supporting diversity and inclusion in **STEM** industries.



A/Prof Emily Nicholson
- Deakin University



A/Prof Natalie Hannan
- The University of Melbourne



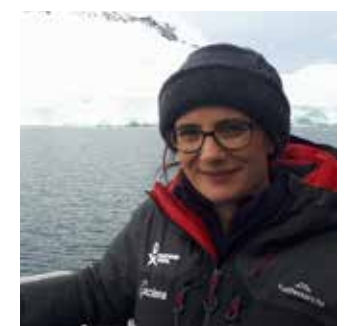
A/Prof Maria Liaskos
- La Trobe University



A/Prof Catherine Satzke
- MCRI



A/Prof Emma Sciberras
- Deakin University



Dr Cara Doherty
- CSIRO

accolades & achievements

The influence of the microbiome on respiratory health

Ben Marsland
Sep 2019
Monash University, Nature Immunology

Appointed Chief Investigator for New ARC Centre of Excellence

Kenneth Crozier
Oct 2019
ARC

Awarded an INCITE Project

Richard Sandberg
Nov 2019
The University of Melbourne & Oakridge National Laboratory US

Making things with light: Engineer returns home to develop 'genuine 3D printing'

Timothy Scott
Nov 2019
AuManufacturing

Important research understanding why men get more cancer than women

Ygal Haupt
Dec 2019
Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre

Received an ARC Discovery Project and NHMRC Ideas Grant

Roger Pocock
Dec 2019
NHMRC & ARC

Received an NHMRC Ideas Grant.

Ross Dickins
Dec 2019
NHMRC

#1 most read paper of 2019
Prof Marsland's Nature Mucosal Immunology publication

Ben Marsland
Jan 2020
Nature Mucosal Immunology

Australia-First Winner of Global Haematology Award

Mark Dawson
Feb 2020
Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre

Lifesaving trial moves to Tasmania

Mark Shackleton
May 2020
Alfred Health

Received an NHMRC Investigator Grant

Mark Dawson
May 2020
NHMRC

A missense mutation in the MLKL brace region promotes lethal neonatal inflammation and hematopoietic dysfunction'

Seth Masters
June 2020
The University of Melbourne & Nature Communications

Australian Government injects MRFF funding into STEM cell research

Mark Dawson
June 2020
The University of Melbourne

Received an ARC Future Fellowship

Timothy Scott
July 2020
ARC

Received an NHMRC Ideas Grant

Catherine Satzke
Dec 2019
NHMRC

Received an MRFF Investigator Grant

Emma Sciberras
May 2020
Deakin University & Department of Health, Aus Gov.

Received an EUREKA Award for Growth through the Eureka IIEC

Pangzhen Zhang
Aug 2020



inspiring women STEM sidebyside

The **veski** inspiring women **STEM sidebyside** program is a dynamic professional development leadership program that supports women wanting to progress or extend into leadership positions within STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) industries. The program is led by **veski** with the support of the British Consulate General Melbourne.

veski inspiring women STEM sidebyside program in 2019

Embracing conflict and difficult conversations - Oct 2019

The Leading the Way stream of mid-career emerging female leaders engaged in a workshop where they explored how to deal with having difficult conversations and understanding that it takes both practice and courage to break out of their comfort zones. This session was proudly supported by Michael Page.

Industry Networking night - Oct 2019

The Leading the Way stream participants were joined by 100 key leaders across academia, business and industry for a panel session as they shared their experiences in 'Embracing conflict and difficult conversations'. The panel discussion was followed by a networking session.

A celebration of Engineering and Women in STEM - Closing event - Nov 2019

The program in 2019 was brought to a close at an event where both Stamina (women returning to work) and Leading the Way stream participants along with key leaders across academia, business and industry had a unique opportunity to hear from trailblazer Dr Jean Venables CBE, Past President ICE UK on her career achievements as a woman in STEM. The event was also a platform for the 2018 and 2019 participants to receive their certificates of participation followed by a networking session.





 **inspiring women**

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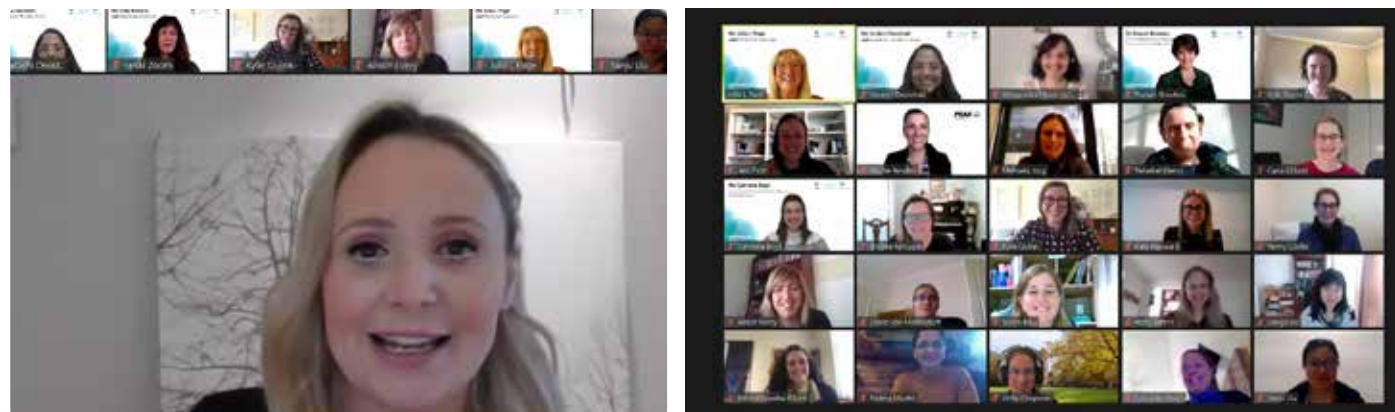
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skills, training and education



veski's skills, training and education program fosters a culture of curiosity and knowledge development from school students right through to mid-career emerging leaders.

Program in 2020 Launch

Delivered for a third time in 2020 – the program is exclusively for a cohort of competitively selected mid-career emerging leaders. The call for applications for the **veski** inspiring women **STEM sidebyside** program was opened by **veski** on 30 April 2020. The program in 2020 was developed to be delivered virtually to comply with restrictions of working from home and social distancing imposed on the residents of Victoria and Australia more broadly due the coronavirus (COVID-19) environment. The program in 2020 is generously funded by Victorian Universities and supporting business and Corporations.

Welcome Event – Friday, 4 Sept 2020

Founding partners Ms Julia Page and Dr Rowan Brookes of the **veski** inspiring women **STEM sidebyside** program welcomed the 34 competitively selected mid-career emerging leaders. The virtually delivered session provided an opportunity for the **veski** team to summarise the program and how it will be delivered in 2020-2021. Mirana Ramialison then shared her experience as a program participant in 2019. The session concluded with a special inspirational cameo by Emma Hendry, respected industry leader & advocate.

Group Chat (career strategies) – Wednesday, 23 Sept 2020

Competitively selected program participants came together in smaller (breakout) groups to get to know a handful of their participants a little bit better. The breakout groups were facilitated by trailblazing women in STEM eager for the participants to succeed in their leadership journeys. Group Chat sessions have been organized throughout the duration of the program to facilitate and foster networking and peer-to-peer connections in the absence of face-to-face get together.

public outreach

veski kickstart

In November 2019 **veski** delivered a student focused **veski** kickstart, for a second year in partnership with the ARC Centre of Excellence in Advanced Molecular Imaging Annual Summit.

The workshop was attended by 25 students (Undergrad, Masters and PhD) from partnering institutions registered for the Imaging Summit.

Students participated in a 'The science and art of pitching' session where they developed and tailored their pitches for specific audiences in different environments. The students had a unique opportunity to practice their speeches and receive feedback on the delivery and content from sector specialists from three main categories – Cross-disciplinary science, Industry and Networking & social media.

veski kickstart activities are tailored to suit the specific needs of the audience with industry leaders sharing their experiences, and panels of specialists providing unique insights, and facilitated networking sessions to equip the students with tools required to make the transition from academia to industry.



veski partnered events

In conversation - Women in Victoria: STEM to the world

In March 2020, **veski** partnered with Global Victoria and the Office for Women to deliver a workshop entitled In conversation - **Women in Victoria: STEM to the world** – an invigorating discussion with local and international delegates as part of the inaugural all-women Global Victoria Women's Business Summit.

Victorian STEM Women and members of the **veski** connected community joined 14 international delegates from 7 countries to share experiences on what is working, the gaps and actions to advance STEM women and business to break the barriers.

Following are actions the STEM Women were inspired to take to further support and promote other women in STEM industries:

- To share what we know and help women to step forward, particularly those in disadvantaged communities around the world
- To step up towards leading courageously
- To continue to find ways to share stories of women in STEM
- To not create labels and lump different types of people into the same group (ie. Pale male, white male etc) – true male champions are increasing
- To take action - if we want to see change in the world
- To look out more for women who have possibly been in, or are in, situations that we've been in before
- To mentor people through such situations with what we have learned so that they don't face the same struggles.

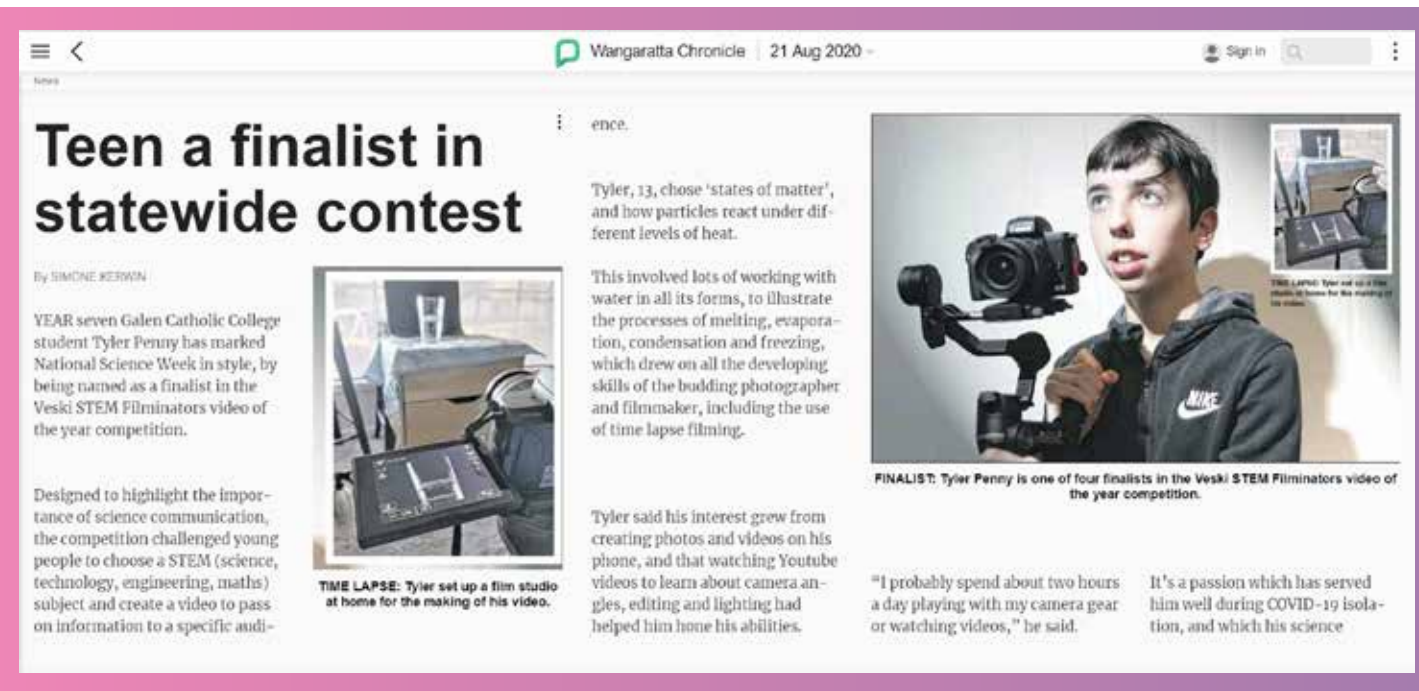


veski STEM filminators

In August 2020, as part of National Science Week (15-23 August), **veski** designed a new program for budding scientists or science communicators. The **veski** STEM filminators video of the year competition was open to Victorian high school students who wanted to share their passion for science by producing a video (1min 40seconds in length) to compete for the title of **veski** STEM filminator video of the year.

As a STEM filminator, the students simply chose a STEM subject, identified their audience and key message and communicated this using a video submission. For the program's first year and with students learning from home, **veski** received a total of 30 submissions from across 6 Victorian high schools.

Five finalists were selected by a judging panel and announced during the National Science Week with Ryan Le from Keysborough College being crowned the inaugural **veski** STEM filminator of the year for his STEM video on How we see the world in colour.



global engagement



veski conversations and activations

veski conversations stimulate discussion and debate by bringing together the brightest minds from overseas, around the country and locally for the benefit of the State of Victoria.

These activities also provide an opportunity to engage the **veski** connection.

In 2019/20 **veski** delivered of the following **veski** conversations and **veski** activations, with key national and international leaders and commentators:

- July 2019 - **veski** hosted a diverse group of leaders and visionaries to discuss the Future of Business, Government & Society – Together we will Imagine, Enable and Build the Future led by Australian Futurist, Mr Steve Sammartino.
- Oct 2019 - **veski** brought together a diverse group of thought leaders, big thinkers and creative visionaries to a conversation designed to find the right answer for Victoria, Australia and the broader Asia-Pacific agriculture communities – Uncovering future prosperity in Agriculture – technology enabled and human centred.

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