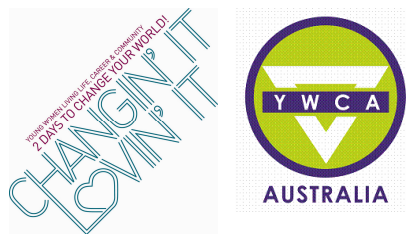


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NATIONAL YOUNG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – MELBOURNE
GENERATION Y VOTERS SAY WHAT THEY THINK

100s of women aged 18 - 30 years, from around the country, descend on Melbourne for the first ever YWCA ***Changin' It, Lovin' It*** - National Young Women's Conference.

Coinciding with National Youth Week, the two day event boasts over 90 speakers including Sam Mostyn, Narelle Henry, Farah Farouque, Randa Abdel-Fattah, Misha Schubert, Dr Feel Good and Senator Judith Troeth on RU86.

Helen Carvosso, YWCA Australia President, said "Gen Yers are a formidable bunch. They chat, they vote and they are very keen to change the world".

"This group is the next generation of voters. This weekend they are going to tell the current and future Federal governments of Australia what they know and how to fix what's wrong" said Ms Carvosso today.

"Gen Y women are constantly feeling the pinch when it come to industrial relations, reproductive choices, the environment, human rights and work life balance and they are not taking it lightly" said Ms Carvosso today, "They are also concerned about depression and other youth mental health issues in Australia".

The two day conference is being held at Hotel Jasper on Friday the 13th & 14th of April 2007 from 9.00 – 5.00pm. For photo opportunities, media passes or registration information, please contact Liz Billings on projects@ywca.net or phone 0402 886 752 or visit www.ywca.org.au for further information.

Attending the **Friday night cocktail party from 5.30-7.00pm** will be, Helen Carvosso YWCA National President, who was elected in 2006 as the first young women president since Susan Brennan in 2000. Susan Brennan, who is a World YWCA presidential candidate for the upcoming World Council elections, Nairobi, Kenya in July 2007, will also be attending.
