Educating the Educators

Celebrating the first Australian graduates in the Sustainability Champions Scholarship program

Elaine Torode, CEO of Lennox Institute was part of the first cohort to recently graduate from Swinburne University of Technology in Australasia's first Vocational Graduate Certificate in Education and Training for Sustainability.

The innovative program enhances the skills of teachers (VET, University Higher Education, Secondary and Primary), educators and facilitators in Education for Sustainability (EfS) while developing skills and knowledge to:

- · Embed sustainability into learning programs,
- Facilitate delivery and assessment strategies to support change for sustainability
- Plan and implement learning based change programs
- Research current and emerging best practices in their industry sector/field of study

Education for Sustainability (EfS) is now recognised internationally as the educational and pedagogical platform for teaching in sustainability and to stimulate change towards sustainability. While there are an increasing number of courses in Australia *about* sustainability, this qualification is the first focusing on education *for* sustainability.

The course meets the essential need to provide education in the



whole systems knowledge, critical thinking, communication, change management and collaborative skills to educate for a sustainable future.

Lennox Institute has implemented skills learned in the Vocational Graduate Certificate in Education and Training for Sustainability throughout its current training programs including the greenRcleanTM courses and will soon have the Diploma of Sustainability added to its scope of delivery.

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