



JOINT COMMITTEES

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION**

**Migration, Pathway to Nation Building**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Wednesday 26 April 2023**

**Balmoral Room  
Stamford Plaza Melbourne Hotel, 111 Collins St, Melbourne**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.00 am	<b>Consulate General of Sri Lanka, Melbourne</b> Mr Sandith Samarasinghe, Consul General of Sri Lanka, Melbourne Mr Chandra Bamunusinghe
9.40 am	<b>AMES Australia (Submission 35)</b> AMES Australia Ms Chatherine Scarth, Chief Executive Officer Ms Mirta Gonzalez, General Manager, Education and Social Participation
<b>10.20 am</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
10.30 am	<b>Grattan Institute (Submission 17)</b> Grattan Institute Mr Brendan Coates, Economic Policy Program Director Mr Trent Wiltshire, Migration and Labour Markets Deputy Program Director
11.10 am	<b>Talent Beyond Boundaries (Submission 82)</b> Talent Beyond Boundaries Mr John Cameron, Co-founder Talent Beyond Boundaries Ms Steph Cousins, Global Chief Executive Officer Ms Sathya Gnanakaran, Australia and New Zealand Director Mrs Louna Ghawi, Australia and New Zealand Co-director Mr Atheer Kareem
11.50 am	<b>Prof Damousi, Dr Stevens, Dr Tomsic (Submission 24)</b> Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences, Australian Catholic University Professor Joy Damousi, Director, Research Centre for Refugees, Migration and Humanitarian Studies Dr Rachel Stevens, Research Fellow, Research Centre for Refugees, Migration and Humanitarian Studies Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences, Australian Catholic University Dr Mary Tomsic, Research Fellow, Research Centre for Refugees, Migration and Humanitarian Studies
<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>BREAK</b>

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1.00 pm	<b>Human Rights Law Centre/Migrant Workers Centre/Asylum Seeker Resource Centre</b> Migrant Workers Centre Inc. Mr Gabriel Dain, Operations Manager Mr Youssef Ragab, Organiser Asylum Seeker Resource Centre Ms Hannah Dickinson, Principal Solicitor Human Rights Law Centre Ms Sanmati Verma, Managing Lawyer Ms Parchehr (Betia) Shakiba
<b>2.20 pm</b>	<b><i>BREAK</i></b>
2.30 pm	<b>South East Melbourne Manufacturers Alliance</b> ( <i>Submission 12</i> ) South East Melbourne Manufacturers Alliance Mr Peter Angelico, President
3.10 pm	<b>Peter Mares</b> ( <i>Submission 13</i> )
<b>3.50 pm</b>	<b><i>CLOSE</i></b>