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WorldSkills Australia's purpose is to identify, demonstrate, promote and grow the excellence of Australia's skills development.

WorldSkills Australia is a driving force behind the development of skills excellence nationwide. For over 40+ years, we have inspired and empowered thousands of young Australians, helping them realize their potential while contributing to the growth of a skilled and innovative workforce.

As the only non-government organisation in Australia dedicated to actively benchmarking skills and skilled practitioners, we are committed to the continual pursuit of excellence—from our competitors to our 4,000-strong volunteer workforce.

With an established national presence across 34 regions, WorldSkills Australia is uniquely positioned to provide valuable insights into the current state of skills training and the future requirements needed to ensure Australia remains a distinctively skilled nation.

Our objectives are to:

- Increase the participation of youth in high quality skills development.
- Increase the expertise of skills development practitioners to world best standard.
- Benchmarking Australian skills excellence against global standards.



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A GLOBAL NETWORK

WorldSkills is more than a competition, it is a movement that transforms lives, elevates communities and drives economic growth through skills. Its members span the richest and most populous nations to some of the world's most underserved regions, collectively representing two-thirds of humanity.

WorldSkills International's Vision is improving the world through the power of skills.

Every two years, WorldSkills orchestrates a dynamic global competition with 89 member nations. This collaboration fosters international standards, showcases best practices and amplifies the critical role of skills in building resilient economies and fulfilling personal ambitions.

WorldSkills Australia is the Australian representative.



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OUR PROGRAMS

REGIONALS

- 1 day competition in 34 regions across Australia
- Over 740+ regional competitions
- 67 skills including VET in Schools
- 6,800+ competitors at the regional level
- Medalists may be selected to compete at the National Championships

NATIONALS

- A 3 day championship benchmarking skills
- Over 60+ skill categories
- 600 competitors representing all States/Territories
- 250 judges and over 500 volunteers
- Approx. 35,000 visitors over 3 days
- Partnering with a careers expo
- Try'aSkill Activities
- 44,000 online viewers via Chanel WSA

AUSTRALIAN SKILLS EXCELLENCE FORUM

- 2 day forum
- Small group technical upskilling
- Brand & Professional growth conference
- Approx.150 youth participants
- Approx. 35 skills leaders

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INTERNATIONALS

- Team Australia represent their country on the global stage
- Competitiors are known as the Skillaroos
- 4 day competition
- 1,500 competitors representing 89 member countries.
- International benchmarking opportunity

GLOBAL SKILLS CHALLENGE

- 4 day simulated international competition
- 600 Participants
- International teams from multiple countries competing in 35 skills

Our Impact:

94.3% of program participants agree WorldSkills Australia develops pride in skills-based occupations.

89% of audience members that responded, stated that witnessing a WorldSkills competition event had positively changed their perception of VET.

86.6% of those who participated in all WorldSkills Australia programs believe WorldSkills Australia has given them access to larger networks of peers and mentors.

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REGIONAL COMPETITIONS

Program intent:

- Allows our youth to measure their level of skills excellence gained through their training and employment.
- To provide opportunities for our youth to gain greater skills and to strive towards excellence.
- To connect competitors with mentors, previous competitors and local judges who are passionate about the skills sector.
- To identify the 'best of the best' in the skills sector and benchmark them across Australia.





87.5% of respondents attributed their motivation to finishing their current education to their involvement in WorldSkills Australia.

74.9% reported more confidence in skills as a result of WorldSkills Australia involvement.

63.1% of skill practitioners said that their continued engagement with WorldSkills Australia adds value to their organisations.

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NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Program intent:

- To identify the best in nation across all skill catergories.
- To provide young Australians with the opportunity to showcase and benchmark their skills.
- To inspire school students when choosing skill based career pathways.
- To connect skill practitioners, competitors and industry together in raising the standards nationally across all skills.





84% reported improved technical skills as a result of WorldSkills Australia involvement.

91% believe that the WorldSkills Australia experience has helped their career.

72% are inspired to strive for excellence in a chosen skill.

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AUSTRALIAN SKILLS EXCELLENCE FORUM



Program intent:

- Personal and professional development growth opportunity.
- Targeted at developing Australia's future industry and business leaders.
- To provide additional upskilling to those who are interested in pursuing skills excellence.
- To widen WorldSkills Australia's domestic programs to increase the impact on skills development in Australia.

GLOBAL SKILLS CHALLENGE

Program intent:

- An opportunity to pressure test the Australian Team against other member countries prior to the International Competition.
- To encourage shared learning between countries.



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INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Program intent:

- To showcase Australian skills excellence on the international stage.
- To allow benchmarking and integral learnings to be brought back to Australia.
- To unite leaders in education, government, business and industry from around the globe to share best practices and learn about global trends.



93.4% of competitors strongly agree that WorldSkills Australia effectively promotes greater efficiency and productivity in the workforce through the ability to implement skills excellence standards in the workplace.



81.3% of skills practitioners involved in International Competition said they developed mentoring skills & gained leadership skills.

80% of competitors say the International competition has motivated them to make sure they attain their qualifications, inspired them to progress their careers in their chosen skill and made them think more about what they wish to achieve in their careers such as start a business, teach others and more.

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OUR OPEN SKILLS

CREATIVE ARTS & FASHION
- Fashion Technology
- Floristry
- 3D Digital Game Art
- Graphic Design Technology
- Jewellery
- Visual Merchandising

SOCIAL & PERSONAL SERVICES
- Baking
- Barbering
- Beauty Therapy
- Cookery
- Hairdressing
- Healthcare
- Patisserie
- Restaurant Service
- Retail Butchery

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY
- Business Services
- Cloud Computing
- Cyber Security
- IT Network Systems Administration
- Programming
- Web Design & Development

TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS
- Auto Electrical
- Autobody Repair
- Automotive Mechanics
- Automotive Refinishing
- Heavy Vehicle Mechanics
- Motorcycle Mechanics

CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING TECHNOLOGY
- Bricklaying
- Cabinetmaking
- Carpentry
- Electrical Installations
- Joinery
- Landscape Construction
- Painting & Decorating
- Plastering & Dry Wall Applications
- Plumbing & Heating
- Refrigeration & Airconditioning
- Signs & Graphics
- Wall & Floor Tiling

MANUFACTURING & ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY
- Additive Manufacturing
- Construction Steel Work
- Electrical Control
- Fitting
- Industry 4.0
- PLC Programming (Mechatronics)
- Sheetmetal Technology
- Turning
- Welding



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OUR VET IN SCHOOLS SKILLS

CREATIVE ARTS & FASHION
- VETiS Retail
- VETiS Entertainment

SOCIAL & PERSONAL SERVICES
- VETiS Commercial Cookery
- VETiS Food & Beverage
- VETiS Hairdressing
- VETiS Tourism
- VETiS Makeup Services
- VETiS Healthcare Assistance

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY
- VETiS Business Services
- VETiS Information Technology

TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS
- VETiS Automotive Services

CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING TECHNOLOGY
- VETiS Carpentry
- VETiS Electrotechnology
- VETiS Primary Industries
- VETiS Wall and Floor Tiling
- VETiS Plumbing
- VETiS Bricklaying

MANUFACTURING & ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY
- VETiS Metals & Engineering
- VETiS AR Welding



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