

FECCA appoints new Director

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The Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils of Australia (FECCA) today announced the appointment of Dr Emma Campbell as its new Director.

The Chairperson of FECCA, Joe Caputo, said that he was delighted to welcome Dr Campbell to run the operations of Australia's peak representative body for ethnic communities.

"Emma's hands-on experience in the humanitarian sector, as well as her high-level business experience and academic credentials means that she is well placed to advance FECCA's goals of celebrating diversity and promoting inclusion," Mr Caputo said.

"In particular, Emma's knowledge of new and emerging communities will be of great benefit to FECCA and its members".

Dr Campbell previously worked with the international medical charity, Médecins sans Frontières in Africa and the Middle East. She has experience as Adviser to the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, as well as senior management positions at Cathay Pacific Airways. Emma was also Postdoctoral Fellow at the Australian National University's Korea Institute.

Dr Campbell has worked or lived in more than 10 countries and territories including Lebanon, Sierra Leone, South Korea, China, India, Swaziland, Turkey and Hong Kong. She speaks Chinese and Korean and has an extensive understanding of issues faced by Australia's diverse and multicultural communities.

Dr Campbell holds a Bachelors of Law and Chinese from the University of Leeds and a Master's degree in Political Science from the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. She has a PhD in Political and Social Change from the Australian National University. Emma has published widely on a range of topics including Korean unification, security, migration and humanitarian assistance. Her book *A New Nationalism in South Korea: The End of "One Korea"?* was published this year.

Dr Campbell said, "I grew up in a diverse community and my career has taken me to different places around the world, often to work with people in challenging circumstances.

"I firmly believe in the benefits for all of an inclusive and harmonious multicultural society. I look forward to working with FECCA to promote multiculturalism as a core Australian value".

FECCA is the peak, national body representing Australians from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. FECCA's role is to advocate and promote issues on behalf of its constituency to government, business and the broader community.

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