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Western Sydney Young Professionals Newsletter

April event recap

Thank you to everyone who attended our April event hosted by Champion's Business Advisers and Coleman Greig Lawyers. The event boasted over 100 young professionals who were eager to hear the story of our guest speaker, Deng Adut, a Sudanese born lawyer who rose to prominence in Western Sydney University's 'Stories of Unlimited' advertising campaign.

We were captivated by Deng's transition from a child soldier during his youth in Sudan to a successful criminal lawyer and litigator based in Western Sydney.

We would like to give a huge thank you to Deng for sharing his experiences and exemplifying the focus of the WSYP spirit, showing us that if you have the mindset to achieve great things – great things can be achieved.



Save the Date for July

Event Date: Thursday, 21 July 2016

Theme: Building Successful Networking Relationships

Our next major event for 2016 will be hosted by Deloitte and Knight Frank. The evening will showcase a panel of four successful professionals from a range of industries and organisations. Panellists will share their experiences with networking, and provide insights into successful networking and building relationships that enhance careers.

The event will be held on 21 July 2016 at the Deloitte office in Parramatta. More details about the event will be coming soon…

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SSE Mentorship

Recently, WSYP was involved with the School of Social Entrepreneurs (SSE), performing a mentoring role in the Citigroup Youth Launch Pad for Social Entrepreneurs. The program has been a great success with 18 young entrepreneurs seeking guidance and support to increase the effectiveness of their enterprises.

One of the entrepreneurs (mentored by WYSP committee member, Nato Foti from KPMG) had their artist launch on 8 May at the Welcome Studio. The Welcome Studio is an artist initiative supporting refugees, with all profits from the sales of artwork used to support refugees and asylum seekers in the community. The event attracted more than 100 people who raised over a thousand dollars on the night.



Nato Foti (WSYP mentor), Joel Steller and Katherine Nelson (Welcome Studio co-founders).



Joel Steller and Katherine Nelson, Welcome Studio co-founders

New committee members

We would like to welcome two new committee members who have joined us:



Jennifer Hutton, Associate, Matthews Folbigg

Jennifer is an Associate in the Litigation & Dispute Resolution and Planning, Environment and Local Government Groups. Jennifer acts for a variety of private and Council clients in matters in the Local and Supreme Court and the Land and Environment Court; where she regularly appears as an advocate. She has experience in a wide variety of matters including contractual and building disputes, equity and family provisions matters, debt recovery and Class 1 Appeals in the Land and Environment Court.



Louise McDonald, Solicitor, Matthews Folbigg

Louise is a Solicitor in the Environmental, Planning, Local Government and Dispute Resolution Groups. In this role, she has gained a significant level of expertise through exposure to a range of commercial litigation matters and also matters in the Land and Environment Court including Class 1 Appeals, Prosecutions and Judicial Reviews. She also undertakes thorough legal analysis to contribute to the resolution of complex legal issues.

We will be making the most of their efforts and experience when Matthews Folbigg and KPMG host the third major networking event in September.

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WSYP Quarterly Forum – City of Parramatta

Property Markets in Western Sydney – Thursday, 23 June 2016

As part of the Incubator initiative, the Western Sydney Young Professionals have partnered with the City of Parramatta to run quarterly panel to provide an open forum for members of the public to ask questions on a range of topics.

On the 23rd of June, WSYP will be taking part in the second event focusing on the area of property in Western Sydney. The forum will include professionals in property, law and accounting that will answer the public's questions surrounding this field. Please feel free to come along to this free event and contribute to the dialogue.

Event Details

Cost:	Complimentary – Refreshments and snacks will be provided
Date:	Thursday, 23 June 2016
Time:	5:45pm – 6:45pm
Venue:	Darug Room, Level 1, Parramatta Library
	1-3 Fitzwilliam St, Parramatta
Contact:	Nato Foti (KPMG) for further details:
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