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Guest speaker: Libby Lyons, Director, Workplace Gender Equality Agency 12.30pm Thursday 6th October 2016 Sheraton on the Park, 161 Elizabeth Street, Sydney



Just 12 months into her new role, Libby Lyons has said the top priority for her five-year term is to make a dent in the gender pay gap, which sits at 24 per cent for full-time total remuneration. Equal Pay Day falls on 8 September this year, marking the additional time from the end of the previous financial year that women

must work to earn the same as men. In Ms Lyons' words: "The data shows the gender pay gap has decreased, which is great, but women still earn substantially less than men. We need continued work on the part of employers to maintain the momentum to further improve women's economic security in Australia."

Ms Lyons also said that employers have an important role to play in challenging stereotypes and barriers to participation: "Smart CEOs and executives recognise that diversity is good for business and in order to stay ahead of their competitors to attract and retain the best and brightest candidates, they must be driving an inclusive workplace culture with offering such as flexible working arrangements, access to comprehensive parental leave and equal pay for women and men."

Libby Lyons was appointed as Director of the Workplace Gender Equality Agency for a period of five years from October 2015. Prior to joining the Agency, Libby held senior management roles across the corporate and government sectors in the energy, resources and telecommunications industries. Libby started her working life as a primary school teacher and so has experience in working in both female and male dominated industries and understands first hand that a more diverse work group makes for better decision making and organisational performance.

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