

Report for ESA AGM



29 AUGUST 2018

- **New committee members** – the WEN WA now has a new Chair, Sally McMahon and Vice Chair, Courtney Fitzsimmons. Also welcomed new member, Amber Weir.
- **Membership** – WEN has 50 members, stable from last year.
- **Meetings held** – two meetings have been held in March and June, a further meeting is scheduled for August.
- **Focus for the year** – career transition and development, networking and awareness of WEN.
- **Feedback** - we received feedback from our informal meet and greet which confirmed interest in around 3-4 events per year with events focusing on networking, leadership skills, mentoring and development in economics.
- **Events:**
 - An informal meet and greet was held on 27 June.
 - An event at Curtin University is tentatively booked for 19 September. Three speakers include Dana Mason; WALGA, Ana Radinovic;(Deloitte) and Siobhan Austen; Curtin
 - Further events anticipated include partnering with the ESA for a policy in the pub event, and University event.
 - WEN WA also participated in the ESA Economic Forum with Sally McMahon facilitating a panel session.
 - Courtney Fitzsimmons attended the WEN Central Committee Meeting in Canberra in July
- **Challenges** – biggest challenged faced by committee members is dedicating time to progress events and executing a co-ordinated approach to marketing (how to reach membership and market an event, venue management and funding. It would likely be beneficial to develop a checklist/manual.
- **Opportunities** – to develop a WEN WA mentoring program similar to that commencing in ACT