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MESSAGE FROM THE CEO: CO-OP FORUM

I would like to invite 2 members of your Co-operative to attend a Forum we are holding for the sector in Sydney on Saturday 26 October 2019 from 10am to 3pm.

The aim of the forum is to bring representatives of each Co-operative together to discuss a range of topics and issues important to our sector and determine how we best work together to address these. The outcome of these discussions will then help frame the next Company Cooperative Agreement which is up for renewal in 2020.

It will also be a great opportunity for the sector to come together and hear and learn from each other.

Can you please lock in this date, discuss with your Board and select the members who will attend from your co-operative.

We are limiting attendance to 2 members from each Co-operative only due to venue size restrictions, however, we will also keep a 'waitlist' of additional interested members in the event that some cooperatives are unable to attend.

More detailed information about the day including an agenda and venue location will be sent out to you in early October.

Please let Dianne know who will be attending from your Co-operative at dianne@commonequity.com.au.

If you have any other queries or wish to discuss further do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Nick Sabel
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SAVE THE DATE...

CENSW's ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on the 23rd November 2019

Its that time of year again... NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS!

We are seeking nominations for awards from your co-operative and members to be presented at the upcoming AGM on Saturday, November 23rd, 2019. Please see the Chairperson of your Co-op for further information.

The Award Categories are:

- 1. Service**
10 years- members who have completed 10 years of service
20 years- members who have completed 20 years of service
- 2. Innovation**
- 3. Co-op Sector Community Development Award**

Please complete the attached form for each nomination of your co-operative and return to Phoebe Coyne or Dianne Sakr via post or email on the contact details below.

- Email: Phoebe@commonequity.com.au or dianne@commonequity.com.au

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Nominations need to be submitted by close of business October 25th, 2019.



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PUT YOUR CO-OP ON THE MAP

Co-operative researchers are seeking information from your co-operative so that we can all better know and understand the length and breadth of co-operative enterprise in Australia.

To contribute "citizen research" about your co-op, please first make email contact with Professor Greg Patmore from the Co-operatives Research Group at the University of Sydney at greg.patmore@sydney.edu.au.

The Visual Atlas is an Australian Research Council funded project initially based at Macquarie University, the University of Sydney and UTS. Ongoing funding will then be through the Co-operatives Research Group at the University of Sydney.

The project constructs a virtual platform that allows the development of co-operatives in Australia to be mapped over time and space from 1829 right through to the present decade.

It allows co-operative researchers and policy makers to see the numbers, types and locations of co-operatives at any point of time.

It provides insights into the factors that assist the formation, demise and revival of co-operatives in Australia and can give insights into the lifecycle of co-operatives and regional clusters of co-operatives that have persisted.

It also explores issues such as demutualisation, mutualisation, amalgamation and average life span.

The information sought includes registration date, name changes, co-operative type, location of primary business activity over time, any mergers, membership statistics and financial data.

The new and updated material will be uploaded into the Atlas on an aggregate basis and detailed data will only be made available to others with the co-operative's permission.

The Atlas is growing every day and currently has over 1,500 co-operatives in the database plus information on many more. The more entries, the more powerful the Atlas becomes as an analytical tool for the sector in terms of research, education and policy.

Further information about the project can be found [here](#).

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Tenant Satisfaction Survey

Reminder to ... Have your say...

The Annual Tenant Satisfaction Survey is on again.

This is an opportunity to have your say on how things are working for you as a member or tenant, what you value the most and if there are any areas for improvement.

Your feedback will help Common Equity NSW continue to improve our service delivery and strengthen the Co-operative Housing sector.

We encourage all of our members and residents to respond.

To Complete The Survey:

- Each Household will receive the Survey in the mail (one per household)
- Available in languages including; English, Vietnamese, Spanish, Karen, Arabic
- Online completion is also available via the Common Equity NSW website <https://www.commonequity.com.au/>
- Use your Unique Code (provided in your letter) as login; no password required
- All details will be provided in the Survey Pack you receive in the mail.

PLEASE NOTE: The closing date has changed to Monday 23 September 2019

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