

Centre for Excellence in Disability Employment



The Australian Government has just announced that Swinburne University of Technology will run Australia's first **Disability Employment Centre of Excellence.**



The Centre will bring together

- people with disability and their families
- disability experts
- disability groups
- employers





to help more people with disability get a job and live an independent life.



The Centre will do this by

- sharing information about disability employment



- making online resources about employment for people with disability



- helping to improve services that help people with disability find a job.



The Centre will focus on helping people who have the most trouble finding jobs.

For example people with an intellectual disability.



National Disability Services CEO Michael Perusco said people with disability do not get enough job opportunities and this needs to change.



Inclusion Australia has an important role in connecting Disability Representative Organisations with the Centre of Excellence and speaking up for people with an intellectual disability.



Inclusion Australia CEO Catherine McAlpine said this will make sure the voices of people with disability are heard.

The other organisations that will help the Centre to do their work are:



- Family Advocacy



- Disability Employment Australia



- National Disability Services



- The University of Melbourne.



Swinburne University thanked the Australian Government for supporting this important work.