

Dr Keith Suter

Global Futurist
Economics Futurist
Strategic Leadership
Business Innovation
Media Commentator



Dr Keith Suter is considered to be one of Australia's most influential Global futurists and media commentators in national and foreign affairs. He has also held many strategic leadership roles. Dr Suter is an experienced, professional and awarded presenter renowned for explaining complex global and business issues in a way his audiences can digest and understand. He is in demand as an MC and conference facilitator. Keith's tailored keynotes, workshops, facilitated sessions are entertaining, highly compelling and always captivating.

Academic Expert:

Dr Keith Suter has achieved three doctorates. The first of these was about the international law of guerrilla warfare (University of Sydney), and the second about the social and economic consequences of the arms race (Deakin University) and a third doctorate on scenario planning (Sydney University).

Leadership Roles:

He has been appointed to many prestigious roles throughout his career, including Chairperson of the International Humanitarian Law Committee of Australian Red Cross (NSW), Chairperson of the International Commission of Jurists (NSW), Director of Studies at the International Law Association (Australian Branch) and Managing Director of the Global Directions think tank.

Global recognition:

He has also been a member of the prestigious Club of Rome since 1993. The Club is "an informal association of independent leading personalities from politics, business and science, men and women who are long-term thinkers interested in contributing in a systemic interdisciplinary and holistic manner to a better world. The Club of Rome members share a common concern for the future of humanity and the planet." The club has only 100 members, with Mikhail Gorbachev amongst them.

Keith is a Life Member of the United Nations Association of Australia in recognition of his service. At various times from 1978 to 1999, he served as the national president of the organisation and took on the roles of the WA and NSW state president.

Strategic Roles:

Keith was the President of the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies (1991-1998) at the University of Sydney, and was a Consultant on Social Policy with the Wesley Mission's for 17 years. In addition, he served as a consultant for a number of other organisations, with a focus on local and international issues.

He is also an active member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Media Roles:

He frequently appears on radio and television discussing politics and international affairs. He has been for many years the Foreign Affairs Editor on Channel 7's Sunrise Program.

Renowned Author:

Amongst Keith's many books are "All about Terrorism: Everything you were afraid to ask" and "Global Order and Global Disorder: Globalization and the Nation-State" and "50 Things You Want to Know About World Issues... But Were Too Afraid to Ask"



Key topic areas

Below is a list of Dr Suter's key topic areas, however Keith always tailors his presentations in response to a client's brief. Keith's discussions are always very topical and audience-specific.

- Futurist
- Global Affairs
- National Affairs
- Globalisation
- Leadership
- Economics
- Not for profit organisational development
- Strategic Planning
- Corporate Governance
- The Environment

Why book Dr Keith Suter for your next conference or event?

- ❖ Dr Suter is highly credible in many business and social affairs areas. He is not just a distinguished academic, he has also consulted to many large corporate and NFP organisations.
- ❖ He has created dozens of unique keynotes based on a client's brief and audience expectations.
- ❖ A wonderfully eloquent and engaging speaker, he is always remembered long after the conference by audience members for his insightful insights.
- ❖ Featured regularly in both TV, print and radio reflects his sound current knowledge of global, national and business affairs.
- ❖ He consistently receives 'excellent' feedback in his evaluations (please refer to just some of testimonials below)

Testimonials

"Dr Suter is an exceptional speaker with the presence to hold the interest of the audience from beginning to end."

Property Council of SA

"Highlights of the day included the very powerful and thought provoking keynote address by Dr Keith Suter. Keith Suter's presentation was superb, his views on the importance of global education in the schools curriculum was well received by all attendees and staff, we have had some fantastic feedback regarding his presentation."

World Vision Australia

"Excellent. Dr Suter spoke at the VACC President's Dinner for 40 minutes, but it only seemed like 20. His intellect and knowledge is awesome, but he presented some extremely complex and serious global matters in a language that all could understand. Not only was his presentation extremely interesting, but very entertaining. It was a pleasure working with Dr Suter."

VACC

"Dr Keith Suter was excellent and very favourably received by our audience. He spoke eloquently on the topic assigned to him and used was a wonderful addition to our conference line-up."

Kimberly-Clark Australia Pty Ltd

"Keith was an extremely easy presenter to work with and his great sense of humour and enthusiasm made it a pleasure in the planning stages. He utilised our briefing conversation well in developing his presentation to suit the sector and our audience. Our delegates found his presentation relevant and stimulating and feedback received has been extremely positive. As our opening address, he set the scene very well for our focus on strategic thinking for the future of local government and we were extremely happy with the linkages between his talk and other topics on the program."

Municipal Association of Victoria

"Keith was an excellent speaker who provoked thought, made some interesting points and was the ultimate professional to deal with."

NSW Tourism, Sport and Recreation

"Keith was great. By the time he gave his presentation, he knew as much about our association as we do ourselves. His preparation was thorough, his content was relevant, and his presentation was insightful and inspiring. Our delegates felt that he was a great opening speaker."

Careers Advisers Association of NSW

"Well researched re the issues facing Queensland population expansion and a good understanding of the related health issues that came with that. Was very entertaining in his presentation and very engaging as a speaker. Provided good summary notes for his presentation well in advance - no need to chase up any presentations, and he personally followed up progress regards his role in our Forum. Very generous with his time in that he was prepared to stay for the day and to talk generally with the delegates, and undertook a radio interview on the topic of his presentation"

Qld Division of General Practice

"Excellent. Dr Suter was perfect for the event...we had fantastic feedback from both delegates and client."

Designtroupe

"Keith gave us more than we could have asked for in inspiring forum participants, opening up eyes and minds to new ways of looking at things, and for the professionalism of completing the task at hand. Keith's presence helped draw in more participants than we have ever had before, and his dedication and skills helped made us shine."

Department of State and Regional Development

“Excellent. Keith responded to our particular needs in a very comprehensive and professional manner. He was well prepared and knowledgeable - sharing his thoughts on leadership in an informed, pleasant style - with a smattering of understated English humour!

It set the scene wonderfully for our workshops - and the response from the participants was overwhelmingly positive.”

The Australian College of Health Service Executives

“Dr. Keith Suter has been experienced as very professional and cooperative. Pleasant personality who was very much engaged with the event even beyond his responsibilities. Was able to moderate the discussion in such a way that we get most out of the meeting.”

Xerox Europe

“Keith was excellent, very knowledgeable with a good delivery that was easily understood. Wide ranging and relevant topics covered.”

Caltex Australia .

“Keith was fantastic. He was very supportive of the event and promoted it, and the seriousness of Dementia generously in his external media commitments. Keith's research, presentation content and delivery were excellent.”

Alzheimer's Australia

“Dr Keith Suter wrote and delivered a presentation specific to our conference theme and message. This is amazing – to have a keynote speaker who firstly (really does!) tailor his presentation and then goes on to offer the delegates written information for use in their work and life. His message was clear; his anecdotes - highly amusing; and his passion for man, the environment and the hard social issues - intense.”

Local Government Public Relations Association

“Dr Keith Suter provided a exceptional presentation at the Wagga Wagga Big Business Breakfast on March 6th 2009. The information provided by Keith was not only well-delivered but also contained highly informative information that was tailored perfectly for the Wagga Wagga Business Community as requested. Keith took his own time to gain his own knowledge of the Region by attending one day of the Regional Economic Development Conference prior to his presentation. At all times Keith was highly professional, exceptionally informative and welcoming to external factors of his presentation such as media and discussions with local business owners. We would highly recommend Dr Keith Suter as a guest speaker at any function. His presentations are compelling and captive.”

City of Wagga Wagga

“Dr Keith Suter would have to be one of the best guest speakers our company has used. He is knowledgeable in so many different areas, and communicates complex ideas in a logical, common sense way that everyone can understand. He encourages lateral thinking and presents in an extremely engaging manner. Our audience was kept totally engrossed for his entire presentation. He's also a lovely man to work with.”

Landmark