



Dr Kath Fisher has many years experience in facilitation and group processes, especially in community consultation, strategic planning and team-building. She has both a theoretical and research interest as well as practical skills in community engagement that incorporates deliberative processes, particularly citizens' juries. She was co-ordinating facilitator at the Citizens' Parliament held at Old Parliament House in Canberra in February and co-lead facilitator of the NSW Community Climate Summit held in Sydney earlier this year. Both of these processes involved randomly selected citizens in deliberation on nationally significant issues. Kath has also been a teacher in universities and TAFE for over 30 years in the areas of participatory democracy, group processes, politics, sociology, economics, communication and social research.

Kath's research interests are primarily in deliberative democracy and critical reflection. She recently won a national Australian Learning and Teaching Council award for her work in empowering students through teaching and modelling critical self-reflection. Kath lives on an intentional community in northern New South Wales where a group of 30 people have lived together for over 30 years making decisions by consensus through processes of dialogue and deliberation.