

7th International Clinical Skills Conference, Prato Tuscany

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**Committee Role – Advisory Board Liaison, Closing Ceremony,
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Biography	Mary has worked in health professional education for over 25 years. In this her major focus has been on curriculum and teacher development in both postgraduate and undergraduate environment. In the area of clinical skills she has developed skills centres and developed a number of interprofessional skills initiatives. Her recent concentration in the clinical skills arena has been on the authentic assessment of skills in the workplace (WBAs). For example she recently implemented a bi-national system of WBAs for Emergency Medicine. These were implemented using programmatic assessment principles and cognitively aligned rating in 2015.
Conferences	Mary established the International Clinical Skills Conferences in 2005 with a view to enhancing collaboration between (initially) the UK and Australia. The conferences are now established as an opportunity for debating and disseminating best practice on an international basis.