

RESUME



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Kenn is recognised as one of the leading educational planners practising internationally. As a consultant to the OECD (where he held the post of Head of the Program on Educational Building in Paris in 1997/8) and UNESCO he has consulted in Australia, Asia, the Middle East and Europe. He is multi-skilled in a range of disciplines having worked in all educational sectors as a teacher and academic/researcher, a strategic facility and campus planner and as an engineer, project, facility and design manager.

Kenn acts as the prime interface between designers and teachers to co-create learning environments for new and emerging teaching, learning and research paradigms. He has been engaged by more than 30 universities in Australia and overseas, over a dozen vocational training and community college clients, a number of State and National Government Ministries of Education, many school organisations and Government and corporate entities.

In recognition of his work one of his doctoral examiners wrote that 'the dissertation has helped to shape the direction of critical pedagogy for the next decade. I am highly impressed with this dissertation and believe it has made a unique contribution to the field of critical education. It will surely become a book, and a highly influential one. I hope this work serves to influence not only education, but art, architecture and design as well'. Kenn was recently awarded a Doctor of Science (honoris causa) from Deakin University as further recognition of his work in this specialised field.

Kenn has directed a wide range of school (and university and vocational education) consulting and master planning, strategic briefing and learning environment planning and design studies internationally. A selection includes:

- The International School of Bangkok, (reputed to be in the top five in the world) campus masterplan and strategic facility plan
- The Victorian Department of Education & Training, P-12 School Planning and Design Principles
- Mentone Girls Grammar School, Middle School Redevelopment Briefing and Concept Planning, Melbourne
- The Australian Science and Mathematics School, educational planning, Years 10-12, Flinders University Campus
- Masterplanning and concept planning of six primary, two secondary and one special school as a member of the ABNAMRO team for the A\$130m public, private partnership project (PPP) for the NSW Government
- Christies Beach High School (7-12) Middle & Senior campus masterplan & learning environments briefing and redevelopment concept
- Kincoppal Rose Bay (K-12) masterplan, school library and student housing
- Pembroke School (K-12) Middle School Library and Resource Centre
- Methodist Ladies College (K-12) Resource Centre Redevelopment
- Harrow International School masterplan & architectural brief, Bangkok
- Adviser Lao Education Ministry & UNESCO - procurement of school facilities

Kenn has published widely - see www.rubida.net – and presents regularly at national and international conferences including:

- British Council for School Environments, London, Global Summit on Learning Environments, keynote speaker, June 2006
- OECD Program on Educational Building, Quality in Learning Environments, Expert Meeting, Lisbon, 2005 and forthcoming, Paris, September, 2006
- Keynote speaker campus masterplanning and learning environment design, Victorian State Department of Education's School Principals, 2005. Over 200 Schools were represented at the seminar. Repeated for 200 architects.
- Keynote speaker, CEFPI, Council for Educational Facility Planning International, Sydney, 2004
- Keynote speaker, Catholic Education Office Facilities National conferences Sydney 2002 & Perth 2004