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KOALA WOMAN TO TALK AT INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY EVENT

To celebrate International Women's Day Australian Koala Foundation CEO Deborah Tabart OAM will be presenting a talk at the Ipswich Library Friday, 9th March.

The annual luncheon, held by the Friends of Ipswich Library Service (FOILS), aims to recognize the achievements of women leaders and inspire others to make improvements within their own communities.

FOILS president Yvonne van de Wiel said they were excited to have Ms Tabart in attendance and are expecting a strong turnout.

"Deborah is a popular choice for guest speaker as she is highly respected within our community and is world renowned for her communication skills," she said.

"We're expecting Deborah to be as charismatic as always and to shed some light on her success as a female leader and also the current plight of the koala."

Ms Tabart has presented countless speeches across the globe but said events such as the International Women's Day Luncheon allows her to engage with other people in the community. "I never underestimate the importance of connecting with other women and in my speech I will touch on the women who have helped to empower me throughout my career," she said.

"I began my career at a time when gender equality, especially in the workforce, was a foreign concept and this only further motivated me to succeed in my professional life. It is well known that I am a feminist."

The luncheon commences at 12:00pm in the Barry Jones Auditorium, 40 South Street, Ipswich. Speeches from Ms Tabart and founder of the Pyjama Foundation, Bronwyn Sheehan are expected to run until 1:00pm.

The Australian Koala Foundation is the principal non-profit, non-government organisation dedicated to the conservation and effective management of the wild koala and its habitat.

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Interview opportunities:

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