

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Messimeri, Voula

(1956 - )

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<b>Born</b>	1 January, 1956, Kalabaka Thessaly Greece
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<b>Occupation</b>	Advocate, Community Leader
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### Summary

Voula Messimeri has been involved in the community services field for over twenty years and has a particular interest in multicultural affairs and women's issues. She was appointed the position of Executive Director of the Australian Greek Welfare Society in 1989 and elected Chair of the Federation of Ethnic Community Councils of Australia in 2006. She is the first woman to hold the position.

She co-founded the Victorian Immigrant and Refugee Women's Coalition (VIRWC) and has served as Chair of the Immigrant Women's Domestic Violence Service, as Inaugural Chair of the Women in the North Service, as Council member at the RMIT University, as well as on a number of State and Federal advisory and policy structures.

### Events

#### 2007 - 2007

Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

The Encyclopedia of Women and Leadership in Twentieth-Century Australia, Smart, Judith and Swain, Shurlee (eds.), 2014,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/leaders>

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