CREATING NEW SCHOOLS IN THE 21ST CENTURY THAT INSPIRE, MOTIVATE AND EMPOWER A WHOLE NEW GENERATION OF LEARNERS AND GLOBAL CITIZENS

Success looks different now than it did in the past. People around the world are choosing to opt out of the traditional job market and create their own jobs. Successful people increasingly expect to be able to:

• Live and work anywhere in the world
• Travel as often as they like, for as long as they like
• Change what they’re working on to keep up with their interests and abilities
• Enjoy earning potential that is not capped by a salary figure
• Work with peers across the globe
• Outsource things they don’t like doing
• Choose their own hours and office

What does it take to access and thrive with this kind of freedom? The answer is surprisingly simple and can be best summed up as ‘a 21st century education’.

Maxine Driscoll, an educator who is passionate about 21st century education and creating 21st century schools, was offered the opportunity to set up a brand new International Baccalaureate School in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. As Founding Head of School she took up the challenge just as Cambodia embarked on a period of renaissance, creativity and entrepreneurship.

The Australian International School of Phnom Penh, AISPP, was born out of a dream to improve education in Cambodia. Commencing in April 2017 with just seven students AISPP had nine highly qualified IB teachers from five different
countries and 37 students enrolled from Early Years to Year 6 by August 2017.
Secondary students will commence at AISPP in August 2018.

This presentation will share with you the big questions, the thinking, the innovation and the lessons learned in creating a school based on the 21st century skills of communication, collaboration, critical and creative thinking, entrepreneurialism and international mindedness and provide you valuable insights and strategies to consider for your context.