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## *Welcome to IDA Magazine*

This is our first edition of IDA in this format and we welcome any feedback. We would like you to get to know ASID board members and introductions to the new ASID board executive appear on [page 5](#). The theme this month revolves around ASID's dedifferentiation position paper [page 8](#) drawn from a more detailed version <https://doi.org/10.1080/23297018.2017.1309987>. We have several contributors to the debate, most of whom presented at or attended an ASID Queensland seminar in November late 2017. We welcome comments and further discussion. We also welcome a regular feature from the inclusive researchers in N.S.W for the 2018 IDA editions [page 32](#). We are continuing to feature ASID members who are prominent researchers in each edition so look out for Kathy Ellem, who will also be a keynote at the ASID conference in Queensland in November. If you haven't heard about the wonderful line up of ASID conference key note speakers they are announced on [page 26](#) and more details on the speakers revealed through the next IDA editions. Hurry if you want to put in a conference paper, abstracts close on April 23rd. Gold organisational ASID members are also invited to submit a short article to IDA about services for people with an intellectual disability, coproduced by a person with a lived experience of intellectual disability.

Editions of IDA are produced each quarter and the June edition theme will be about **safeguarding** and people with an intellectual disability. Contributions to IDA are welcome as are questions and comments. Please contact me at [idaeditor@asid.asn.au](mailto:idaeditor@asid.asn.au)

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