

waconference.com.au

# **Conference Agenda**

# Day 1 - TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

**0 08:00 - 09:00** REGISTRATION

**O** 09:00 - 09:15

#### **Ministerial Address**



The Hon. David Michael MLA, Minister for Ports; Local Government; Road Safety, Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport

**O 09:15 - 09:25**MC OPENS

**3** 09:25 - 09:55

# Major Projects by Development WA



- Overview of major projects across the state, including the multi award winning Montario Quarter.
- Ocean Reef Marina Project: Delivering a world class waterfront precinct in the City of Joondalup
- Subi East Project: Transforming 35ha of land from Subiaco Oval to the former Princess Margaret Hospital site to create a vibrant new gateway to Subiaco.

Dean Mudford, Acting Chief Executive, Development WA

© 09:55 - 10:30

# **Speed Networking**

Introduce yourself, swap business cards, and form new and lasting business connections during a series of one-on-one exchanges with fellow conference delegates.

#### Infrastructure WA Keynote Address



- Providing expert advice to the WA Government, Infrastructure WA plays a crucial role in determining infrastructure priorities for the State.
- The 20-year State Infrastructure Strategy highlights the need to build smarter, resilient infrastructure, enhancing both community and industry.

Nicole Lockwood, Chairperson, Infrastructure WA

O 11:00 - 11:30 MORNING TEA

**11:30 - 12:00** 

### **Delivering New and Upgraded Schools for Western Australia**



- WA has boosted funding for education, investing \$626.8 million in new schools, upgrades, and infrastructure for regional areas.
- The improved infrastructure will give children the best learning environments they
  require to succeed on their education journey.

Rob Thomson, Executive Director Infrastructure, Department of Education - WA

**12:00 - 12:20** 

# **Bristol Springs Green Hydrogen Project**



- Frontier Energy's Bristol Springs Green Hydrogen production project has received zero carbon pre-certification.
- Situated south of Perth in Waroona Shire, it will help establish WA as a significant producer and exporter of renewable hydrogen

Sam Lee Mohan, Managing Director and CEO, Frontier Energy Ltd

**12:20 - 12:40** 

# Overview of Projects by Eastern Guruma



- Eastern Guruma Pty Ltd is an award winning civil and mining contractor that delivers
  projects and services for Australia's leading iron ore miners, and whose clients include
  BHP and Rio Tinto.
- Join Tania Stevens for valuable insights into EG's portfolio of projects, and learn how the company is empowering Aboriginal people across Western Australia.

Tania Stevens, Managing Director and Owner, Eastern Guruma

#### Supply Chain Resilience for WA's Freight Corridors



- The efficient supply of goods across rail, roads and water is a vital part of Western Australia's economy.
- This presentation will discuss supply chain resilience and how the FLCWA is working to ensure resilient freight corridors across the State.

Megan McCracken, Chair, Freight and Logistics Council of WA

13:00 - 14:00
 LUNCH BREAK

**U** 14:00 - 14:20

### Pushing the Boundaries of Timber Construction: Murdoch University's Boola Katitjin



- In partnership with Murdoch University and the University of Technology Sydney, Aurecon has helped deliver Western Australia's first mass-engineered timber (MET) building, using world-first robotic technology.
- Boola Katitjin represents world leadership in sustainable design and is the first 6-star certified education building in the State. Join Aurecon for insights into the new technology prioritising renewable materials, drawing on their experience of helping to deliver the biggest MET buildings in Australia and abroad.

Pratik Shrestha, Principal | Building Structures, Aurecon

**14:20 - 15:10** 

# Panel Discussion: A Blue and Green WA

- Council strategies and grass roots initiatives are turning WA blue and green, with infrastructure that protects the environment while uplifting communities.
- This panel will discuss the social and economic benefits of green infrastructure, green community spaces, and water sensitive urban designs.

Eva Ricci, Executive Officer WA Turf Industry, The Green Space Alliance
Fiona Blackham, Sustainability Officer | Parks and Sustainability, City of Stirling, Community Gardens Australia
Giles Pickard, WA President, Australian Institute of Landscape Architects
Sarah Lambert, Section Executive, Water WA, WSP Australia Pty Limited
Shelley Shepherd, Director, Urbaqua





**STATE NOON TEA** 

O 15:40 - 15:45 PRIZE DRAW

#### The WA EV Charging Network



- The WA Government's EV Network is part of a \$43.5 million investment to significantly boost Electric Vehicle infrastructure in the State.
- With the first EV fast charger in the Kimberley operational as of July, the network will
  eventually deliver 98 charging stations across 49 locations.

Guy McHugh, Senior Project Manager, Synergy

**16:05 - 16:25** 

# **Accessing Opportunities on Major Projects**



- Industry Capability Network WA is involved with major projects across multiple industry sectors including mining, energy, renewables, infrastructure and defence all over Western Australia.
- With each competing for resources, where do suppliers go to view project
  opportunities, and how do projects identify suitable, capable suppliers for their work in
  an efficient manner? Join Robert McCullagh for insights into accessing opportunities
  and trends on major projects.

Robert McCullagh, Senior Consultant, Industry Capability Network WA

© 16:25 - 16:30 MC CLOSES

U 16:30 - 17:30
NETWORKING & DRINKS FUNCTION

# Day 2 - WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

**0** 08:50 - 09:20 REGISTRATION

**O 09:20 - 09:30**MC OPENS

**(3)** 09:30 - 10:00

# **Speed Networking**

Introduce yourself, swap business cards, and form new and lasting business connections during a series of one-on-one exchanges with fellow conference delegates.

#### Critical Minerals and Rare Earths: WA's Role in Global Decarbonisation



- WA has emerged as a global leader in the supply of critical minerals and rare earth elements that are powering clean energy technologies.
- With abundant deposits of some of the world's most significant minerals, WA has become a critical mineral hub.

David Trotter, Research Portfolio Manager, The Minerals Research Institute of Western Australia (MRIWA)

① 10:20 - 10:50

# **Key Projects Across the Kimberley**



- With a pipeline of over \$1 billion worth of projects over the next three to five years for Broome alone, join Sharni Foulkes for the latest infrastructure insights from the Kimberley region.
- Key projects include the Buru Energy Renewable Power Project, and Broome Port's Kimberley Marine Support Base.

Sharni Foulkes, Chief Executive Officer, Broome Chamber of Commerce & Industry Inc.

O 10:50 - 11:20 MORNING TEA

**11:20 - 11:50** 

### Health Infrastructure Priorities for WA



- WA Health is reshaping the State's health infrastructure to provide modernised and sustainable health care to Western Australians. Providing world-class service delivery and driving solutions for our people – the staff and patient community - are the core priorities for each project.
- This presentation will provide an overview of health infrastructure in WA and share
  insights into the Department of Health's key major projects. These include the New
  Women and Babies Hospital, the Peel Health Campus Transformation Program, and
  the Bunbury Hospital and Geraldton Health Campus Redevelopment Projects.

David Axworthy, A/Executive Director, Major Health Projects and Infrastructure, Department of Health

## The Impact on Big Projects from Generative AI



- The widespread adoption of Generative AI has the potential to significantly transform
  the landscape of project management. Generative AI offers a range of capabilities that
  could disrupt traditional approaches to project planning, execution, and decisionmaking. AI-driven systems can optimise project schedules, resource allocation, and risk
  management based on historical data and real-time inputs.
- Generative AI can enhance communication within project teams by simplifying
  language translation, automating documentation as well as reporting and improving
  real-time collaboration across language barriers. Decision-making can be enhanced by
  Generative AI analysing existing data sets and offering recommendations for resource
  allocation, cost optimization, and risk mitigation, empowering project managers to make
  informed choices and increasing the likelihood of successful project outcomes.
- This presentation will explore these aspects and highlight some of the practical steps in assessing the potential for incorporating Generative AI within projects.

Associate Professor Laurie Hughes, School of Business and Law, Edith Cowan University

**(1)** 12:10 - 12:30

### **Community Engagement: A Crucial Link**



- Major projects are experiencing increased demand for community involvement and influence. Understanding how individuals and therefore communities 'makes sense' of their changing environment assists in working with this increased community expectation.
- This presentation discusses the influences on community assumptions and perceptions in forming trust.

Helen Todd, Managing Director, Stratsys

**U** 12:30 - 13:00

# Trackless Trams: Transforming Perth's Urban Sprawl?

- In a global first, Perth has been selected as the first city outside of China to receive a trackless tram as part of a trial with Curtin University, ITSG and the City of Stirling.
- The trackless tram technology will be trialled in Perth as the city looks towards more sustainable and cost-effective transport that could provide an alternative to light rail and the basis of Net Zero urban development rather than more urban sprawl.

Dr Dean Economou, Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute, School of Design and Built Environment

① 13:00 - 14:00 LUNCH BREAK

#### **Integrated Infrastructure**

 Join Craig Shepherd from Scyne Advisory's award-winning Integrated Infrastructure team who will discuss key issues and trends facing the industry, both State and Australia-wide.





**14:20 - 14:40** 

# **Active Transport Solutions for Western Australia**

- The Western Australian Government has identified active transport as a priority and developing enhanced walking and cycling infrastructure for the State.
- This presentation will discuss the importance of enhancing infrastructure for cyclists in Perth and beyond, and how swapping vehicles for active transport will help decarbonise transport while improving community health and wellbeing.

 $Wayne\ Bradshaw,\ {\tt Chief\ Executive\ Officer,\ WestCycle}$ 



O 14:40 - 14:50 MC CLOSES

Agenda is subject to change \*Speakers to be confirmed

# An Event by:

expotrade \*\* Expotrade \*\* Expotrade \*\* Expotrade \*\* Expotrade \*\* Expotración \*\* E

Contact:

Expotrade Australia Pty Ltd Suite 24, Building 4, 195 Wellington Road Clayton VIC 3168 Australia Tel: +613-95450360

Email: info@eteglobal.com