



AIRG SUMMER MEETING 2016

**“Grabbing the Opportunities:
The Future for Australian Technology”**

**The Royce Hotel
379 St Kilda Road
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Tuesday 16th February 2016

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AIRG's Summer meeting will focus on how the Australian industry and research ecosystems currently benchmark on a global context. What does the future of the Australian technology landscape look like and how should Australia respond to the rapid changes in global business and innovative design models? What does the future look like for Australia and are our SME's, larger corporates and research organisations prepared to take advantage and play globally or do we lack the leadership, inspiration and direction needed to be a forward leading nation? With the emergence of the Government programs including Growth Centres and future funds to initiate clusters and collaboration, can hi-tech organisations find new ways to enhance their technology development and growth or is too little too late?

Tuesday 16 February

- 8:30 - 9:15 Registration, Networking and refreshments
- 9:15 - 9:30 Welcome Address, Mr Ken Mirams - President, AIRG
- 9:30 – 9.45 Victorian Government Overview Priorities and Programs – Amanda Caples
- 9.45 – 10.00 CAESIE Cluster Tour Results and overview: Cameron Slatyer, Dept of Industry



SESSION 1 *Where is Australia now and what does the future look like.*

Session Chair: Ken Mirams

- 10:00 – 10.25 Dr Luke Hendrickson, Innovation research. Department of Industry and Science
- 10:25 – 10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45 – 11.10 Medtech sector presentation – Planet Innovation Sam Lanyon
- 11:10 – 11:35 Food sector presentation – FIAL Mirjana Prica
- 11:35 – 12:00 Innovative Manufacturing CRC – Phillip Butler
- 12:00 – 12:30 Panel discussion
- 12:30 – 13:30 Networking Lunch



SESSION 2 *Innovative collaboration and cluster models: Can Australia advance?*

Session Chair: Bill Hill

- 13:30 – 13:55 Derek Buckmaster, Director of Carbon Nexus
- 13:55 – 14:20 Innovation models – Luke Battersby, Ernst and Young
- 14:20 - 14:45 Oscar Gregory, Director of the Steel Research Hub at UoW
- 14:45 – 15:05 Panel discussion
- 15:05 – 15:25 Networking afternoon tea



SESSION 3 *Where do we go from here?*

Session Chair: Michael Egan

15:25 – 15.50 Kathryn Fagg - The Future of Innovation

15:50 – 16.15 BASF 150th Entrepreneurs winners

- Sheree Rubinstein - OneRoofWomen

16.15 - 16.40 Dr Natasha Ayers

16.40 - 17.05 Conference Wrap-up Ken Mirams

17:05 Conference Closes

17:30 AIRG Annual General Meeting

18:30 Pre-dinner drinks

19:00 Conference dinner commences

19:30 Dinner speaker – Tony Peacock

22:00 Dinner concludes