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## Program Guide

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## Welcome

On behalf of the Australian Institute of Health & Safety, I am pleased to welcome you to the 2023 AIHS National Health & Safety Conference.

The conference welcomes stakeholders from across the health and safety profession to showcase some of the best national and international speakers who will explore the conference theme: **Influence for Impact**.

Thought leaders will discuss workplace health & safety in Australia and explore emerging ideas and research shaping the future of the profession. The first day will feature a Safety leadership masterclass in the morning and the afternoon will focus on uncovering and addressing Psychosocial risk. Day two will focus on leadership, influence and how to embrace health and safety, and day three will focus on technology, innovation and the future of work.

Now that we're able to be back in person, there will be plenty of time for networking and catching up with friends and colleagues and we invite everyone to attend a welcome reception and a gala dinner.

Keep up with updates on the conference via Twitter, Facebook or LinkedIn. Be part of the conversation at #AIHSNatConf23.

Kind regards,  
Julia Whitford  
Chief Executive Officer, Australian Institute of Health & Safety



# Tuesday 30th May - DAY 1

9:00 - 10:30

**Safety leadership in action: The role of safety leadership in creating a positive safety culture**

Presented by **Anthony Gibbs**, CEO. Sentis

Morning Tea

11:00 - 12:00

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Lunch

13:00 - 14:30

**Embracing change: Uncovering and Addressing Psychosocial Risk to have Maximum Impact**

Presented by **Jaydene Tucker**, **Aaron Boyes**, **Sharon Richens**, **Matthew Counsel**, Altius Group

Afternoon Tea

15:00 - 17:00

**Embracing change: Uncovering and Addressing Psychosocial Risk to have Maximum Impact**

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17:00 - 19:00

**Welcome Reception**

The Charming Squire, South Brisbane

# Wednesday 31st May - DAY 2

Arrival tea and Coffee

08:00 - 08:30

**Welcome to Country**

Presented by **Songwoman Maroochy**

08:30 - 08:40

**Opening of Conference**

Presented by **Hon. Grace Grace**, Minister for Education, Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing

08:50 - 09:50

**Head & Heart: The Art of Modern Leadership**

Presented by **Kirstin Ferguson**, Author, Columnist, Company Director

09:50 - 10:30

**The Regulators Perspective  
Panel Discussion**

**Kym Bancroft**, Deputy Director-General, Office of Industrial Relations, Department of Education, Queensland Government

**Dr Narelle Beer**, Executive Director Health and Safety Work Safe Victoria

**Sally North**, Acting WorkSafe Commissioner WA

# Wednesday 31st May - DAY 2 Continued

## Morning Tea

An effective WHS workforce	Contemporary WHS policy and practice	Workplaces embracing health safety and wellbeing
<p><b>11:00 - 11:40</b></p> <p><b>When work is the hazard - implementing a robust, integrated system to manage psychosocial risk</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Paul Hardman</b>, Partner, K&amp;L Gates and <b>Wade Needham</b> Director ESG &amp; EHS, Natural Resources</p>	<p><b>Collaboration across the WHS Community and the Role of the WHS Professional</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Skye Butava</b>, Director, Research and Evaluation - Better Regulation Division SafeWork NSW   NSW Fair Trading</p>	<p><b>Young brains in an ageing head</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Dr Nick Mabbott</b>, Director, Beyond Midnight</p>
<p><b>11:00 - 11:40</b></p> <p><b>A safe culture through influential leadership</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Grant Costello</b>, General Manager of apprenticeships and leadership capability, BHP</p>	<p><b>Understanding heightened work health and safety legislation for managing the risks of psychosocial hazards at work</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Sam Pople</b>, Organisational Psychology Registrar, Office of Industrial Relations</p>	<p><b>Indirectly Influencing change to Increase Psychological Safety</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Diana Sheehan</b>, Executive Director, Daly &amp; Ritchie Consulting</p>

## Lunch

<p><b>13:30 - 14:10</b></p> <p><b>How Organisations Sabotage Safety</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Dr Sean Brady</b>, Managing Director, Brady Heywood</p>	
<p><b>14:20 - 15:00</b></p> <p><b>Safety Capability: A New Practical Concept that moves Safety Culture Forwards</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Dr Tristan Casey</b>, Queensland University of Technology</p> <p>Panel Includes: <b>Dr Kirsten Way</b>, The University of Queensland <b>Adam Low</b>, Office of industrial Relations</p>	

## Afternoon tea

Influence & Leadership	Mentoring
<p><b>14:20- 15:00</b></p> <p>Presentation title: TBC Presented by <b>Jen Jackson</b>, Chief Visionary Officer and Founder, Everyday Massive</p>	<p><b>Coaching &amp; Mentoring: What is the difference?</b> Presented by <b>Deb Burlington</b>, AIHS Chair Mentoring Committee, Owner/Director, Enhance Solutions</p>
<p><b>18:30 - 22:30</b></p> <p><b>Gala Dinner</b> Plaza Terrace, Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre</p>	

# Thursday 1st June - DAY 3

## Arrival Tea and Coffee

**08:50 - 09:00** **Opening**  
Presented by **Cameron Stevens**, Founder, Safety Innovation Academy

**09:00 - 10:00** **Innovation, Design, Future of Work**  
Presented by **Jordan Nguyen**,  
Biomedical Engineer, Author, TV presenter, Technology Futurist

**10:00 - 10:40** **What influence has technology and innovation had on the way you manage WHS?**

**Panel Discussion**  
**Rod Maule**, GM Safety & Wellbeing Safety, Wellbeing & Injury Management, Australia Post  
**Christian Frost**, Group Executive – Safety, Health, Environment and Quality, Ventia  
**Jane Bourke**, Director - Safety, Health & Wellbeing, Woolworths

## Morning Tea

Technology	Innovation	Future of Work Health and Safety
<p><b>11:00 - 11:40</b></p> <p><b>Artificial intelligence vision and its use in health and safety</b></p> <p>Presented by, <b>Kieran Mckensie</b>, Founder, Presien</p>	<p><b>Innovation within learning and development</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Marilyn Hubner</b>, Director, Build Up Research</p>	<p><b>Amplifying progress and the value we add through the power of X-C (cross collaboration)</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Amanda Clements</b> Group HSE Manager, Strategy &amp; Wellbeing, Mirvac</p>
<p><b>11:40 - 12:10</b></p> <p>Presentation title: TBC</p> <p>Presented by <b>Dustin Bennett</b>, Principal Hygienist, GCG</p>	<p><b>Combining Agile Work Methods and New Views of Safety</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Nicole Copeland</b>, Group Head of OH&amp;S, Woolworths</p>	<p><b>ESG regulation: a strategic approach to managing ESG commitments across your suppliers</b></p> <p>Presented by <b>Anna-Louise Hammar</b>, AM SAM APAC, Avetta</p>

## Lunch

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# Thursday 1st June - DAY 3 Continued

Afternoon tea

15:00 - 15:40 **Navigating the world of technology to improve the health and safety of work**  
Presented by **Cameron Stevens**, Founder, Safety Innovation Academy

15:40 - 16:00 **Conference Close**  
Presented by **Julia Whitford**, AIHS CEO

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