

Day 1 | Thursday 7 May

Matt Kuc
Director | Austbrokers Countrywide



Topic: Marine Surveyor Insurance Issues

Susan Hull
AGSA Scheme
AIMS and Grain Accreditation Advisor
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Topic: Accredited Grain Surveyor Assurance (AGSA) Scheme

Eric McIlwain
Principal Surveyor
Hastings Marine and Engineering
Chair
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Panel Discussion: Building Strategic Partnerships

Donna Jones
President and Chair
Women's International Shipping & Trading
Association (WISTA) Australia



Andrew Fielding
Chief Executive Officer
Boating Industry Association



Sheryl Swarbrick
Chief Executive Officer
Boating Industry Association of Western Australia



Fabian Pasquini
Manager
Key Clients and Corporate Partners
Austbrokers Countrywide



Dianna Smith
Branch Manager
Domestic Maritime Safety and Data |
Policy and Regulation
Australian Maritime Safety Authority



Topic: AMSA Marine Surveyor Accreditation Framework Review

End of Day 1 - Networking Drinks

Day 2 | Friday 8 May

Samantha Rowe MLC

Parliamentary Secretary to the Deputy Premier,
Treasurer, Minister for Transport,
Sport and Recreation



Conference Opening

Jodie Ransom

Chief Executive Officer
Fremantle Ports



Keynote Speaker

Eric McIlwain

Principal Surveyor
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Chair's Review

Georgia Nicholls

General Manager
Rail Freight and Heavy Haul
Australasian Railway Association



Topic: Industry Partnerships

Amanda Bradfield

Chief Executive Officer
Freight and Trad Alliance



Topic: Benefits and Challenges
of Industry Alliances

Johnathon Davey

Chief Executive Officer
Melons Australia



Topic: Building Networks in the
Agriculture Sector

Capt John Kavanagh

Principal Lawyer
Master Mariner | Notary Public (NSW)
Pacific Maritime Lawyers



Topic: Marine Surveyor
Legal Issues

Driving industry change: Collaboration within and across borders



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Capt Louis Koutelas

Director & Senior Marine Surveyor
Hunter Marine Surveyors



Topic: Understanding
Training

Graeme Normington

Principal Marine Surveyor
Queensland Ship Surveyors Pty Ltd



Topic: Moisture Mapping –
Timber and FRP Composites

Dr Wade Azmy

Executive Chairman
Pharos Institute



Topic: Strategic Leadership
and the Marine Surveyor
Sector

Margot de Villiers

Head of Marine – Executive Marine Surveyor
Sedgwick



Panel Discussion: Looking
Forward, Looking Back

Kerryn Woonings

Senior Marine Surveyor Specialty
Crawford & Company (Australia) Pty Ltd



Capt Michel Lagesse

Managing Director
Principal Marine Surveyor
ACME MARINE SERVICES
INTERNATIONAL PTY LTD



Greg Marsden

Managing Director
Marsden Marine Services Ltd
Director
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Topic: New Zealand Marine
Surveying Industry Update

Driving industry change: Collaboration within and across borders



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Topic: AIMS Q&A Forum

Greg Marsden

Managing Director
Marsden Marine Services Ltd
Vice Chair
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Capt Scott Aiton

Director / Senior Surveyor
Gibson Minto & Aiton Pty Ltd
Company Secretary
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Capt William Burton

Marine Surveyor
Plumley Pearson & White
Director
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Wade Nagel

Director & Principal Marine Surveyor
Adapt Marine
Director
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



Zac Howells

Principal Marine Surveyor
Howells Maritime Services
Director
Australasian Institute of Marine Surveyors



End of Day 2 - Conference Dinner and AIMS Awards for Excellence

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