

Data & Al Summit VIC

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• Marvel Stadium, Melbourne

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Dr Boris Kelly-Gerreyn Chief Data Officer

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Ben Pattison Chief Data & Analytics Officer FLIGHT CENTRE TRAVEL GROUP



Milica Ng Senior Director, Global Head of Data Science

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Romina Sharifpour Chief Engineer - Generative AI

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Soon-Ee Cheah **General Manager - AI Products**

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KEY TOPICS



Evolving data infrastructure and capabilities to enable modernisation at scale

From generative to agentic : Al's next leap in capability & opportunity



How to identify and prioritise the best use cases for AI across the business

WHO WILL ATTEND

Chief Data & Analytics Officers

Heads of Data Governance

Heads of Data Science

Heads of Data

Heads of AI & ML

Heads of Business Intelligence

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Data & Al Summit VIC AGENDA

8:30AM REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS

9:00AM WELCOME REMARKS

9:10PM KEYNOTE

Australia's Al Advantage: Building a Nation-Scale Innovation Engine

9:40AM PANEL DISCUSSION

Making AI Count : Scaling What Works, Dropping What Doesn't

- Identifying high-impact opportunities to commercialise AI and advanced analytics across the enterprise
- Aligning Al investments with executive priorities to secure buy-in and drive measurable outcomes
- Scaling from pilot to profit: building the foundations to industrialise AI at pace whilst bridging the gap between ambition and readiness

Milica Ng, Senior Director, Global Head of Data Science, CSL Ben Wild, Chief Technology Officer, Funlab Ben Pattison, Chief Data & Analytics Officer, Flight Centre Travel Group

10:20AM CASE STUDY

Addressing GenAl Integration Challenges to Speed Up Impact

10:50AM MORNING TEA & NETWORKING

11:20AM INTERACTIVE

Are dashboards dead? Reinventing how we see and act on data

11:50AM PANEL DISCUSSION

Evolving Data Infrastructure & Capabilities to Enable Real-Time Intelligence & Modernisation at Scale

- Emerging best practices to achieve greater flexibility and modularity across modern data infrastructures
- Building scalable data systems that support real-time processing, integration, and business responsiveness
- Navigating governance, interoperability, and cloud strategy to unlock innovation

Jeffrey Eberwein, Chief Solutions & Data Officer, Avant Mutual

Swati Gupta, Head of Data & Analytics, Yarra Valley Water Dr Boris Kelly-Gerreyn, Chief Data Officer, Bureau of Meteorology

12:30PM CASE STUDY

Responsible AI: From Guiding Principle to Business Imperative

1:00PM LUNCH & NETWORKING

1:40PM INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

- Empowering data governance with artificial intelligence and automation
- Data management for optimal outcomes innovative strategies and best practices
- Progressing LLM development for customer-facing products
- Enhancing decision-making with advanced analytics to gain competitive edge
- Unlocking the potential of self-service BI to empower every user to identify new opportunities
- Real-time analytics for immediate insights and decision making
- Building a progressive data architecture that reflects smarter ways of working
- Achieving single source truth with streamlined data

2:20PM PANEL DISCUSSION

From Generative to Agentic : Al's Next Leap in Capability & Opportunity

- Making GenAl work at scale for enterprise-grade impact
- Developing teams for the next wave of AI evolving skillsets, mindsets and delivery models
- Designing stronger guardrails to balance control and autonomy
- Building reliable models to improve technical, ethical, and operational trust in autonomous systems

Fernando Mourao, Head of Responsible AI, SEEK Limited Soon-Ee Cheah, General Manager - AI Products, Xero Samrat Seal, Head of Transformation & Governance, Cyber & AI, Kmart

Romina Sharifpour, Chief Engineer - Generative AI, Commonwealth Bank

3:00PM DEEP DIVE

Real-Time Analytics, Powered by AI: Scaling Insights Efficienctly

3:30PM AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING

3:50PM KEYNOTE

Humanising Data in a High-Speed World

- Explores how data, storytelling, and instinct collide in Formula 1, and why the winning edge isn't just about speed, but also trust, clarity, and communication
- Turning complex, high-volume data into clear, actionable insight when every second counts

4:20PM CLOSING REMARKS FOLLOWED BY NETWORKING DRINKS

5:20PM EVENT CONCLUDES