FOREFRONT
EVENTS

Procurement Strategy
Summit NSW

📅 **17th September 2025**   📍 **Doltone House - Hyde Park, Sydney**

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Natalie Budovsky
Chief Procurement Officer

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Emma Molloy
Chief Procurement Officer

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Joseph DeGrazia
Head of Contracts & Procurement

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Edward Blix
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Aparna Tiwari
Head of Indirect Procurement

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Miranda Braga
Head of Procurement Excellence

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KEY TOPICS

Leading a Procurement team on a transformation journey

Discussing key priorities for risk management, sustainable practices and social procurement

Delivering long-term value through strategic sourcing & supplier engagement

Driving innovative & sustainable procurement practices whilst mitigating supply risks

WHO WILL ATTEND

Direct Procurement   Strategic Sourcing   Vendor Management

Indirect Procurement   Category Management   Supplier Management

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AGENDA

8:30AM **REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS**

9:00AM **WELCOME REMARKS FROM CHAIRPERSON**

Charlotte Payne, General Manager, CIPS

9:10AM **ATTENDEE SPOTLIGHT**
Highlighting key priorities to uplift social procurement practices in 2025 and beyond

9:30AM **PANEL DISCUSSION**
Leading a Procurement Team on a Transformation Journey
- Best practices on procurement excellence in 2025: How to stay relevant & innovative
- Realigning strategic scope of procurement in a project environment to remain adaptable
- Successfully navigating transformation in a complex business environment
- Building team's skills and capabilities to future-proof the business and remain resilient

Natalie Budovsky, Chief Procurement Officer, Macquarie University
Emma Molloy, Chief Procurement Officer, iCare NSW
Jey Sivarajasingam, General Manager, Procurement, Greencross Pet Wellness
Sam Jarvis, General Manager Supply Chain & Procurement, Zambrero
Damon Taylor, Head of Procurement, Ausgrid

10:10AM **CASE STUDY**

Agentic AI for Procurement - Boosting efficiency & value

10:40AM **MORNING TEA & NETWORKING**

11:10AM **PANEL DISCUSSION**
Driving Innovative & Sustainable Procurement Practices Whilst Mitigating Supply Risks
- Exploring the use cases for AI to drive innovation in procurement for ongoing improvement
- Sharing best practices & tactics in sustainable sourcing & vendor relationship management
- Addressing challenges with managing supplier risk in a volatile market
- Promoting effective internal collaboration and governance oversight

Miranda Braga, Head of Procurement Excellence, TPG Telecom
Joseph DeGrazia, Head of Contracts & Procurement, Ampol
Edward Blix, Head of Procurement Excellence, Atlassian
Carsten Primdal, Sustainable Procurement Lead, IAG

12:00PM **PRESENTATION**
Beyond the Buzz: How Procurement is Delivering Real-World AI Wins

12:30PM **LUNCH & NETWORKING**

1:10PM **INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS**
- Implementing social & sustainable procurement initiatives as part of wider business strategy
- Supplier pre-qualification challenges: How to take relationships further & do more with key suppliers
- Key tips & tricks for change management whilst on a transformation journey
- Overcoming skill shortages and bridging knowledge gaps within your organisation

1:50PM **PANEL DISCUSSION**
Delivering Long Term Value Through Strategic Sourcing & Supplier Engagement
- Exploring best in class category management strategies to support stakeholder requirements
- Creating value in procurement & supporting risk-management in decision-making
- Creating strategic supplier relationships driven by actionable insights
- Leveraging category spend to help drive outcome focused value add across multiple channels

Federico Huergo, APAC Sourcing Director, Salesforce
Edward Baral, Portfolio Manager, Marketing & Print Procurement, Woolworths

2:20PM **PRESENTATION**
AI in Procurement: Achieving Procurement Excellence and Strategic Value in 2025

2:50PM **AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING**

3:10PM CLOSING KEYNOTE
The value of Procurement insights: Developing skills & capabilities in your team to drive effective procurement business insights

Aparna Tiwari, Head of Indirect Procurement, TKMaxx

3:40PM **CLOSING REMARKS**

3:50PM **NETWORKING DRINKS**

4:50PM **EVENT CONCLUDES**