



VTA State Conference 2021 – March 21-23
What's in Front of the Transport Industry?
DRAFT PROVISIONAL Program (as at 10 March)

Sunday, 21 March

Welcome Reception & Dinner (6-9pm)

- Peter Anderson, CEO, VTA
- Senator Glenn Sterle, Shadow Federal Assistant Minister for Road Safety

Monday, 22 March

Setting the Scene (8.30am)

- Peter Anderson, CEO, VTA
- Hon Scott Buchholz, Federal Assistant Minister for Road Safety & Freight Transport
- Edward Smith, Chief Investment Officer, TWUSUPER (Sponsor Welcome)
- Hon Tim Pallas, Treasurer of Victoria and Minister for Industrial Relations
- Duncan Smith, Head of Consulting, JANA
- Sal Petrocchio, Chief Executive Officer, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

Morning Tea Break (10am)

Transport Infrastructure, Equipment & Energy – The Future (10.20am)

- Praveen Reddy, Chief Executive Officer, Freight Victoria
- Agnelo Duarte, Project Director, North East Link Project

Panel Session – Equipment (11am)

- Romesh Rodrigo, Senior Manager Homologation, Daimler Truck & Bus
- Shayne Commons, Product Manager – Volvo & UD Trucks, Volvo Australia
- Gavin Hill, General Manager, Strategy & Delivery, Transport Certification Australia
- Miles Crawford, General Manager, CMV Truck & Bus

Lunch Break (12 noon)

- Roma Britnell MP, Shadow Victorian Minister for Ports & Freight

Panel Session – Transport Infrastructure (1.15pm)

- Pat Kerin, Chief Operations Officer – Logistics, SCT Logistics
- Glen Richmond, Manager Marketing & Business Development, Australian Rail Track Corporation

Panel Session - Transport Energy – Fuelling the Future (2pm)

- Sandra Lau, Alternative Fuels Manager, Viva Energy Australia; Director, Australian Hydrogen Council
- Greg Simmons, Hydrogen Development Manager, Lochard Energy

Afternoon Tea Break (2.30pm)

Safety, People & Human Capital (2.50pm)

- Brad Battin MP, Shadow Victorian Minister for Roads & Road Safety
- Phil Naulls, General Manager Asset, Transurban
- Mandi Mees, Executive Leader Safety, National Transport Commission
- Robert Hortle, Director, Victorian Wages Inspectorate

Panel Session – Future Freight Drivers (3.50pm)

- Peter Anderson, CEO, VTA
- Craig Nicholson, CEO, Armstrong Driver Training



Panel Session (4.30pm)

- **Edward Smith**, Chief Investment Officer, TWUSUPER
- **Russell Hutchison**, Director, Logical Staffing Solutions
- **Adam Gibson**, Transport & Logistics Risk Engineer, National Transport Insurance
- **Justin O'Donnell**, S4 Sales Executive, 3M

Day One Formalities Conclude (5.30pm)

Pre-dinner Drinks (6pm)

Official Conference Dinner (7pm)

- **Peter Anderson**, CEO, VTA
- **Brendan Hopley**, National Employer Relationship Manager, TWUSUPER

Tuesday, 23 March

Victorian Road Network (8.30am)

- **Hon Ben Carroll**, Victorian Minister for Roads & Road Safety
- **Ian Mond**, Manager Heavy Vehicle Networks, Victorian Department of Transport

Transport & the Gig Economy (9am)

- **Senator Tony Sheldon**, Australian Labor Party, Chair of Select Committee on Job Security

Industrial Relations Panel Session (9.20am)

- **Michael Kaine**, National Secretary, Transport Workers Union
- **Paul Ryan**, Industrial Relations Advisor, Victorian Transport Association
- **Simone Caylock**, Partner, Rigby Cooke

Morning Tea Break (10.30am)

Mental Health & Wellbeing in Transport (10.50am)

- **Claire Nivarovich**, Director Prevention Strategy, WorkSafe Victoria
- **Greg Cain**, Industry Services Manager, Victorian Transport Association
- **Brianna Cattanach**, Principal Consultant – National Education & Training, Gallagher

Conference Wrap-up (11.50)

- **Mike Lean**, President, VTA
- **Peter Anderson**, CEO, VTA

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