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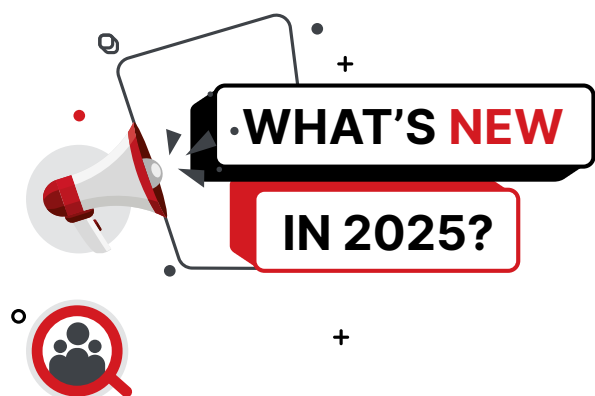
# Women in Procurement 2025

returns for its 10th year as Australia's leading procurement & supply chain event!

Join us at the **10th annual Women in Procurement Conference** to celebrate a decade of empowering women in procurement. This year's all new event offers a renewed focus on everything you need to elevate your outcomes, organisation, and career.

You'll gain essential leadership, communication, risk mitigation, and change management skills. You'll develop invaluable procurement processes to improve supplier relationships, category management, and strategic sourcing. You'll receive a timely roadmap to navigate evolving market conditions, commercial pressures, supply chain risks, and sustainability regulations. You'll learn how to identify, implement and maximise the latest technology.

In short, you'll leave with the critical tools needed to transform your procurement operations, drive organisational success, and advance your career, all while building meaningful connections with a supportive network of like-minded procurement leaders and colleagues.



- More procurement leaders than ever - 40+ speakers!
- All new interactive Champagne Roundtables
- In-depth focus on practical skills, essential processes & cutting-edge procurement strategies
- Spotlight on Indigenous & social procurement
- Career changing leadership and public speaking masterclasses

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## TOP 8 REASONS TO ATTEND:

- 1 Master category management, strategic sourcing, and supplier engagement strategies
- 2 Learn how to navigate supply chain risks from economic and geopolitical shifts
- 3 Develop critical communication, risk mitigation, and change management skills
- 4 Learn how to identify, adopt & maximise new procurement technologies
- 5 Gain processes to navigate evolving sustainability regulations
- 6 Learn how to secure high-quality deliverables by effectively evaluating & managing suppliers
- 7 Gain strategies to drive economic & social benefits through Indigenous procurement
- 8 Build your professional network, connect with procurement leaders, and foster valuable industry relationships

# ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS:



**Lorraine Finlay**  
Human Rights  
Commissioner  
**Australian Human Rights  
Commission**



**Charlotte Payne**  
General Manager  
**CIPS Australia & New  
Zealand**



**Deb Barwick**  
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Sustainability Leader  
**Lion**



**Sara Van der Schatte Olivier**  
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**Westpac**



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**Amanda Ji**  
APAC Market  
Category Manager  
**Diageo**



**Fleur Edgerton**  
Senior Executive,  
Procurement and Property  
**Australian Securities &  
Investments Commission  
(ASIC)**



**Samantha Butchart**  
Procurement Business  
Partner  
**Future Fund  
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**Alice Chen**  
Head of Indirect  
Procurement - Pacific  
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**Annette Walker**  
Procurement Manager  
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**Marie Cullen**  
Head of Procurement -  
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Senior Manager - Social Procurement & Workforce Development, **Transport NSW** (past WiPSC attendee)



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# CONFERENCE DAY 1 | Wednesday, 28 May

- 08:15 Registration and welcome coffee
- 08:50 Opening remarks from the Chair: Celebrating 10 years supporting women to advance their procurement and supply chain careers.



**Charlotte Payne**  
General Manager  
**CIPS Australia & New Zealand**

## HARNESSING EMERGING TRENDS TO STAY COMPETITIVE

- 09:00 **Navigating emerging procurement trends in 2025 and beyond**
- Enhancing decision-making and agility with future-ready innovations like predictive analytics and real-time procurement analysis
  - Future-proofing procurement strategies to address changing sustainability regulations and market-driven demands
  - Adapting to evolving global supply chain challenges from geopolitical and economic shifts



**Victoria Hodges**  
Procurement Manager  
**HCF**

### PANEL DISCUSSION: How can we future-proof procurement strategies to navigate a changing business landscape?



- How can you effectively evaluate your organisation's procurement capabilities while identifying key areas for improvement?
- How can procurement leaders adopt new technologies & processes while also upskilling their teams to leverage these new tools?
- How can predictive analytics & other tech developments help teams make better, data-driven decisions?

Moderator:



**Charlotte Payne**  
General Manager  
**CIPS Australia & New Zealand**



**Racheal Kuczma**  
First Assistant Secretary -  
Procurement & Contracting  
**Department of Defence**



**Annette Walker**  
Procurement Manager  
**Catholic Healthcare**



**Belinda Lyone**  
Co-CEO  
**COS**

- 10:30 Morning Tea and Networking

## CREATING VALUE BEYOND TRADITIONAL SAVINGS

- 11:00 **Unpacking procurement values and objectives: delivering business impact**
- Driving cost savings through strategic sourcing, ensuring greater financial control and profitability
  - Enhancing supplier performance with effective evaluation and management, securing high-quality deliverables
  - Strengthening risk management by diversifying the supply base, reducing exposure to disruptions and ensuring operational continuity



**Madeleine Taylor**  
Senior Director - Property, Procurement and Programs  
**ACT Courts and Tribunals**

- 11:30 **Enhancing category management for effective cost saving initiatives**
- Implementing advanced tools for category analysis to uncover cost-saving opportunities and drive smarter purchasing decisions
  - Standardising reporting processes to clearly communicate cost-saving initiatives while ensuring they promote desired business outcomes
  - Integrating feedback loops with business units to improve category management initiatives and maximise savings



**Nicole Simon**  
Group Procurement Manager  
**Domain**

## DRIVING INFLUENCE AND CHANGE WITH AUTHENTIC LEADERSHIP

### Live 1-on-1 with the Human Rights Commissioner: Driving procurement impact through leadership excellence

Join **Lorraine Finlay** to discover how her leadership approach can inspire procurement professionals to balance compliance, innovation, and value creation while maintaining a strong commitment to ethical governance and public trust.



**Lorraine Finlay**  
Human Rights Commissioner  
**Australian Human Rights Commission**



**Sharon Morris**  
Group Regional Head  
**World Commerce & Contracting**

- 12:30 Networking Lunch

- 13:30 **Harnessing emotional intelligence to inspire and lead effectively**
- Enhancing self-awareness by recognising personal triggers to improve decision-making and leadership effectiveness
  - Strengthening empathy by understanding stakeholder perspectives to foster trust and collaborative relationships
  - Managing emotions under pressure by developing resilience to maintain focus in high-stakes situations



**Gigi Tam**  
Head of Group Procurement  
**Volkswagen Group Australia**

## CREATING HIGH PERFORMING PROCUREMENT TEAMS

- 14:00 **Attracting excellence: building & retaining a high-performing procurement team**
- Showcasing career progression paths to attract ambitious professionals eager to develop their skills
  - Targeting diverse talent pools through partnerships with universities and professional organisations to enrich teams with varied perspectives and skill sets
  - Investing in training and upskilling by offering robust development programs to appeal to candidates who value continuous learning



**Emma Molloy**  
Acting Chief Procurement Officer  
**icare NSW**

- 14:30 Partner presentation

- 14:50 Afternoon Tea and Networking

### 15:20 Interactive Champagne Roundtables



Discuss ideas, gain practical tips, and meet leaders across industry to learn how to improve your skills and strategies while progressing your career. You can choose three of the following to attend, with each roundtable running concurrently over three time slots.

1st Round ▶ 15:30 - 16:00

2nd Round ▶ 16:00 - 16:30

3rd Round ▶ 16:30 - 17:00

### Roundtable 1 ▶ Developing the commercial skills necessary to climb the procurement ladder



**Fleur Edgerton**  
Senior Executive Leader - Procurement Finance  
**Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)**

### Roundtable 2 ▶ Enhancing supplier collaboration to strengthen supply chains



**Ivy Lee**  
General Manager - Supply Chain and Logistics,  
**Weir Minerals**

### Roundtable 3 ▶ Empowering women in procurement: strategies for leadership advancement



**Sharyn County**  
General Manager - Procurement and Real Estate  
**APA Group**

### Roundtable 4 ▶ Innovating procurement metrics to drive value creation



**Lana Miao**  
Australia & New Zealand Chief Procurement Officer  
**Capgemini**

### Roundtable 5 ▶ Leveraging procurement strategies for carbon-neutral goals



**Charlotte Cottam**  
Procurement Business Partner - Procurement Excellence  
**Mirvac**

### Roundtable 6 ▶ The role of modern slavery reporting in ethical procurement



**Rebecca Loach**  
Sustainability Leader  
**Lion**

### Roundtable 7 ▶ Supplier diversity to deliver value and maximise ESG success



**Tara Anderson**  
Chief Executive Officer  
**Social Traders**


- 17:00 Closing remarks from the Chair & end of Day 1

- 17:05 Networking Drinks

- 18:15 10th Anniversary Women in Procurement Dinner




# CONFERENCE DAY 2 | Thursday, 29 May

08:15 Welcome coffee  
08:50 Opening remarks from the Chair  
  
**Charlotte Payne**  
General Manager  
**CIPS Australia & New Zealand**

## ALIGNING PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES WITH ESG GOALS


09:00 **Unifying ESG data to drive sustainability and stakeholder trust**


- Centralising ESG data through unified digital platforms to streamline reporting and foster transparency for stronger stakeholder relationships
- Measuring the effectiveness of ESG integration by tracking key performance indicators to demonstrate impact and build credibility
- Implementing robust data validation processes and collaboration strategies to solve data inconsistency and supplier engagement challenges


  
**Morgan Cleland**  
Global Sustainability Lead  
**Asahi Global Procurement**


09:30 **PANEL DISCUSSION: How can we advance sustainability and circular economy practices to elevate procurement, business & environmental outcomes?**


- What innovative strategies work best to integrate sustainability into procurement processes?
- How can procurement teams better collaborate with suppliers to adopt circular economy practices?
- What challenges do organisations face when prioritising sustainability in procurement, and how can they be overcome?
- How can leaders drive sustainability within their organisations while also achieving positive business & procurement outcomes?

Moderator:   
**Vanessa Lee**  
Group Manager - Corporate Procurement & Property Services  
**Jemena**

Panelists:  
  
**Sara Van der Schatte**  
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Manager - Governance & Sustainable Procurement  
**AusNet Services**

10:20 Morning Tea and Networking

## DRIVING SUCCESS THROUGH SUPPLIER DIVERSITY

10:50 **SPOTLIGHT DISCUSSION: Driving economic & social benefits by empowering Indigenous businesses through procurement**

Join an important discussion showcasing the real-world benefits of sourcing from Indigenous businesses, from strengthening supply chains to community economic growth, to driving corporate social and reconciliation goals. You will gain actionable strategies to build collaborative partnerships that foster sustainable success, creating value for both your organisation and Indigenous suppliers.

Facilitator:   
**Marea Getsios**  
Procurement & Contracts Manager  
**Inner West Council**

Special Guests:  
  
**Michelle Smith**  
NT Manager  
**Winya Indigenous Furniture**

  
**Rachelle Towart OAM**  
Managing Director  
**Pipeline Talent**

  
**Deb Barwick**  
Chairperson & Executive Officer  
**NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce**

11:30 Partner presentation  
11:50 **Strengthening community development & local economies through social procurement**

- Reinforcing community resilience by sourcing from local enterprises to reduce supply chain vulnerabilities and foster long-term sustainability
- Partnering with community organisations by integrating their services into procurement strategies to deliver mutual benefits
- Supporting local suppliers by prioritising rural and regional businesses to stimulate economic growth and create jobs

  
**Michelle Robinson**  
Director - Sourcing  
**Transport for NSW**


  
**Sam Frety**  
Senior Manager Sourcing Delivery  
**Transport for NSW**

12:20 Networking Lunch

## FOSTERING A CULTURE OF GROWTH AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT


13:20 **Building talented & inclusive teams: driving & delivering diversity in procurement**


- Diversifying recruitment channels by utilising specialised networks to attract talent from underrepresented groups
- Implementing blind hiring practices to reduce bias and promote equitable hiring
- Monitoring progress by analysing team demographics to identify knowledge gaps and inform future hiring strategies


  
**Rozana Sabrin**  
Procurement Specialist  
**City of Ryde**


13:50 Partner presentation  
14:10 **PANEL DISCUSSION: How can we create strong, collaborative procurement teams that drive innovation, growth & impact?**


- How can procurement teams best align with the broader goals of the business?
- What strategies work to build and maintain strong, effective relationships between procurement teams and the rest of the business?
- How can procurement leaders position the function as a strategic driver of innovation and efficiency during cross-departmental collaborations?


Moderator:   
**Anush Avakian**  
Assistant Secretary - Strategic Procurement  
**Department of Finance**

Panelists:  
  
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Senior Procurement Manager  
**Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand**

  
**Kylie Burke**  
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**Samantha Butchart**  
Procurement Business Partner  
**Future Fund Management Agency**


  
**Alice Chen**  
Head of Indirect Procurement - Pacific  
**Schneider Electric**

15:00 Afternoon Tea and Networking

## DEVELOPING CRITICAL PROCUREMENT & BUSINESS SKILLS


15:20 **Mastering problem-solving: driving procurement success through strategic thinking**

- Developing critical thinking skills by analysing complex procurement challenges to identify innovative and effective solutions
- Enhancing decision-making processes by applying structured problem-solving techniques
- Encouraging collaborative brainstorming by engaging teams in solution development to leverage diverse perspectives

  
**Marie Cullen**  
Head of Procurement - Australia  
**Fluence**


15:50 **Communicating with impact: strengthening outcomes through communication clarity**

- Developing a comprehensive communication plan tailored to procurement & business objectives
- Enhancing clarity in negotiations by tailoring messages to stakeholder needs to build trust and achieve better agreements
- Strengthening team dynamics by fostering open and transparent communication to improve collaboration and productivity

  
**Lynn Feldon**  
Head of Procurement  
**Endeavour Group**

16:20 **Embracing adaptability: navigating change for procurement excellence**

- Creating a clear roadmap with actionable & measurable steps to implement new ideas and strategies from the conference
- Prioritising adaptability by incorporating flexible approaches to procurement challenges to stay ahead in a rapidly changing environment
- Fostering continuous learning through regular team updates and feedback loops to integrate innovative practices and achieve procurement excellence

  
**Liv Larsen**  
Global Sourcing Manager  
**ANZ**

16:50 Closing remarks from the Chair and end of Conference

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