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# Leading Through Excellence and Innovation

AME Conference 2019 . Empowering Change and Transformation

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**WILLIAM ANGLISS CONFERENCE CENTRE**

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA



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The **AME Leading Through Excellence and Innovation Conference 2019** in Melbourne is the largest lean conference in Australia. With outstanding international keynote speakers, daily practitioner presentations, must-see benchmarking tours, and pre-conference workshops, the learning experience is like no other. World-class, highly successful continuous improvement practitioners provide a source of knowledge that you can rely on to confidently make the changes needed to accelerate growth.

AME is a not-for-profit, volunteer-based organisation. Our sole purpose is to provide a practical and reliable source of continuous improvement learning.

This is your opportunity to connect with key industry leaders and network with like-minded practitioners who are on the journey toward enterprise excellence.

## ABOUT THE THEME

At the 2019 conference we will explore the most successful best practice methodologies being used by operational excellence practitioners to promote change at all levels of the organisation. With the theme **Empowering Organisational Change and**

**Transformation**, Leading through Excellence and Innovation 2019 will help attendees to:

- Understand how the magic of Lean and other continuous improvement methodologies can radically improve their business, no matter how diverse the application may seem at first glance
- Understand, identify and overcome barriers to change
- Develop new ways of thinking
- Increase the engagement among their teams
- Develop a thriving continuous improvement culture
- Empower their team members to contribute in ways they never thought possible
- Learn how new innovative, intelligent technologies can be used and leveraged by their enterprise today.

## VALUE STREAMS

Conference attendees can choose from practitioner-to-practitioner presentations organised into five value streams

**LEADERSHIP** Hear examples from different organisations in a variety of sectors how strong leadership led to successful LEAN enterprise transformation.

### PEOPLE AND CULTURE

Hear how to create an environment in which team members find fulfillment and inspiration as engaged participants in their organisation's drive for excellence.

### DAILY IMPROVEMENT

Learn how to gain the involvement of every team member, through systematic daily improvement to ensure

that the desired future state becomes a reality.

**RESULTS** Examples from across the enterprise in a variety of manufacturing and service sector organisations, will highlight how employee engagement and applying LEAN thinking led to real bottom-line results.

### INNOVATION AND FUTURE THINKING

Learn how to radically rethink the way you are currently doing things so that you can aim for a smarter future.

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## CASE STUDY FOCUSED PROGRAM

Brand new case studies on:

- Business change and sustainably transforming a business with specific approaches and outcomes
- Continuous improvement models and approaches
- People and culture development
- End-to-end process efficiency, including how to achieve it, best practice and lessons learned
- Transformation with the aid of technology

## 5 KEY BENEFITS

### A trusted source of Lean knowledge

AME is a volunteer based not for profit organisation that is a trusted reliable source of enterprise wide lean knowledge.

### Practitioner to practitioner learning

Experienced practitioner-to-practitioner learning. Hear from local and international peers who have successfully put change into action.

### Networking around best practice

Build a social network of like-minded people who are passionate about sharing both their challenges and solutions.

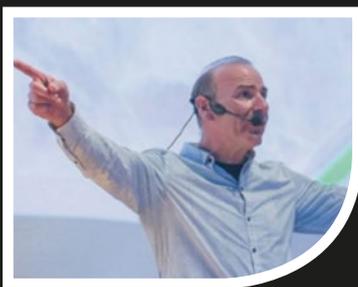
### Accelerated lean-learning experience

Participate in value-packed, accelerated learning experience focused on the benefits of applying continuous improvement in your business.

### Borrow with pride

Take away proven, practical, innovative, process-excellence solutions that you can emulate with pride.

## INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS



### PAUL AKERS

President of FastCap  
and author of  
*2 Second Lean*

Hear how entrepreneur and LEAN maniac Paul Akers has taken his manufacturing business from the garage to worldwide distribution by pursuing one goal – serve the customer by improving every day; with one ground rule – keep LEAN simple. With a product catalog of over 600 woodworking tools and 2,400 distributors in 40 countries, Paul credits the astounding business growth to a fun, dynamic culture in which each employee puts into practice at least one two-second improvement per day.



### BILLY TAYLOR

Director of Manufacturing  
Goodyear Tire &  
Rubber Company

Billy Taylor leads the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company North American Tire operations and is responsible for engineering, supply chain execution and the drive for operational excellence. With experience in all areas of operations management and leadership, Billy has a track record of building high performance self-sustaining teams through employee engagement and empowerment. In his talk, Billy will share his passion that centers on 'People First'.



# KEYNOTE SPEAKERS & PRACTITIONER PRESENTATIONS



**Michael Schembri**

Head of Corporate Services;  
Fuji Xerox Australia



**Matthew Rogacion**

Continuous Improvement  
Manager - OSA; Fisher &  
Paykel Healthcare (NZ)



**Anne Koopmann-Schmidt**

Head of Quality;  
Bombardier



**Louise Palmer**

Chief Experience Officer;  
Dental Health Services  
Victoria



**Michael Fromberg**

Director - Corporate  
Development;  
Knox City Council



**Jill Barnett**

General Manager;  
Magic Mobility



**Mitra Burns**

National Lean Manager;  
The Australian Red  
Cross Blood Service



**Simon Flack**

Business Improvement  
Manager; Darwalla Group



**Betsy Kuo**

Executive Director, ANZ  
Supply Chain and APAC  
Engineering; Sealed Air



**Andrew Smith**

Director,  
Value Added



**Barry McCarthy**

Explicador,  
ProtypoNous



**Marcia Ryan**

Director;  
Wellbeing Works



**Tania Montesin**

Head of Operational  
Excellence, Supply Chain;  
Woolworths Group



**Jamie Gooding**

Chief of Staff,  
Boeing Phantom Works  
International



**Errol Benvie**

Principal Director,  
Wisdom Lab



**Oscar Roche**

Director, Training Within  
Industry Institute and Visual  
Workplace Australasia



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