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THE BIG RESET

 23-25 October 2024

 RACV Cape Schanck



WELCOME TO 2024 FINPRO CONFERENCE!

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Once again, the FinPro team is delighted to invite you to the annual conference, which will be held on 23-25 October 2024 at RACV Cape Schanck.

This year's theme, **"The Big Reset,"** invites us to prepare for a new four-year council term with fresh perspectives and bold strategies. Over the course of the next three days, attendees will be equipped with the tools, insights, and strategies needed to navigate the complexities and seize the opportunities ahead.

The dynamic lineup of industry experts, experienced CEOs, and finance leaders will guide us through the essential steps of preparing for the future.

This is our chance to gain fresh perspectives, collaborate with peers, and set the foundation for success in the years to come.

FinPro Executive Team 2024

Got questions?



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WEDNESDAY, OCT 23 2024

- **12:00 PM-1:00 PM - Lunch - RACV Cape Schanck**
- **1:00 PM-3:00 PM - Regional Learning Sessions**
All delegates invited to attend and take part in a regional group meeting and discussion. Each Regional Group Meeting will be convened by a FinPro Executive Team member or other representative from the region.
- **3:00 PM-3:30 PM - Afternoon Tea**
- **3:30 PM-4:30 PM - Thinking outside the box: Leading Innovation and Change**
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🎤 **Tania De Jong | Co-Founder and Executive Director, Mind Medicine Australia**
Speaker proudly sponsored by Alcaston Partners 
- **4:30 PM-6:30 PM - Conference Check-in and Free Time**
- **6:30 PM-10:30 PM - Opening Dinner at Southern Cross Ballroom**
- Entertainment proudly sponsored by  Payble™





THURSDAY, OCT 24 2024

● **8:30 AM-9:00 AM - Tea / Coffe in the Sponsors Room - Horizon Ballroom**

● **9:00 AM-9:10 AM - Welcome Address**

Welcome Insights

🎤 **Bradley Thomas | President of FinPro and CEO of Hepburn Shire Council**

● **9:10 AM-10:00 AM - The Big Reset**

Navigating a new suite of strategic documents for your council.

🎤 **Belinda Johnson | CFO, Horsham Rural City Council**

🎤 **Tony Rocca | Director / CFO Maroondah City Council**

🎤 **John Brockway | Manager Financial Services, Warrnambool City Council**

● **10:00 AM-10:40 AM - Sponsor Showcase**

Hear a brief overview from each of our sponsors - 90 second each - what can we learn?

● **10:40 AM-11:10 AM - Morning Tea**

● **11:10 AM-12:00 AM - Corporate Reporting and Influence**

Managing and influencing strategic and financial sustainability conversations.

🎤 **Simone Wickes | Director Corporate Services, Monash City Council**

🎤 **Aaron Gerrard | CFO, Whittlesea City Council**

🎤 **Nathan Kearsley | General Manager Organisational Performance, Latrobe City Council**

🎤 **John Vastianos | CFO Glen Eira City Council**

● **12:00 PM-12:45 PM - Procurement - Policy & Process in the real world**

Developing a well-articulated Procurement Policy.

🎤 **Jo Cross | Head of Contracts, Local Government Contracts Australia**





- **12:45 PM-1:45 PM - Lunch in the Horizon Ballroom with our sponsors**

- **1:45 PM-2:45 PM - So we have an asset plan – What now?**

As we enter the next four year cycle, how can we increase confidence in our ability to develop and deliver on our asset plans.

🎤 **Ashay Prabhu | Modelve**

🎤 **Shazi Alami | Modelve**

- **2:45 PM-3:00 PM - FinPro Update**

Senior Finance Leaders Summit, FinPro Projects and more

🎤 **Simone Wickes | Director Corporate Services, Monash City Council**

- **3:00 PM-3:30 PM - Afternoon Tea**

- **3:30 PM-4:30 PM - Economic Outlook**

Get up to date on what is happening on the International, National, State and Local level.

🎤 **Phin Zeibel | Head of Research, Treasury Corporation of Victoria (TCV)**

- **4:30 PM-5:00 PM - Coastal Connect**

How three councils got together to deliver an ambitious IT joint procurement project under the State Government's regional transformation program.

🎤 **Simon Buccheri | Project Manager, Corangamite Shire Council**

- **5:00 PM-6:30 PM - Free time**

- **6:30 PM-12:00 AM - Theme Dinner – Flower Power**

Get dressed up in your best Flower Power / 60s / Disco gear and get ready for a fun-filled night. Starting with pre-dinner drinks from 6.30pm, we are seated at 7.15pm for a 2 course meal and entertainment by Rewind 80s. The dance floor is sure to be filled!





FRIDAY, OCT 25 2024

● **8:30 AM-9:00 AM - Tea / Coffee in the Sponsors Room - Horizon Ballroom**

● **9:00 AM-9:30 AM - Financial Sustainability Challenges**

We all know there are challenges with LG's financial sustainability. Let's get the Auditor-General's thoughts.

🎤 **Andrew Greaves | Victorian Auditor-General**

● **9:30 AM-10:45 AM - CEO Panel: The next 4 years**

How are our CEO's preparing for the new council cycle? Hear first hand about what and how they are planning for post-council elections being held 26 October 2024.

🎤 **Steve Kozlowski | CEO, Maroondah City Council**

🎤 **Helen Sui | CEO, Moonee Valley City Council (MVCC)**

🎤 **Wayne O'Toole | CEO, Buloke Shire Council**

● **10:45 AM-11:15 AM - Morning Tea**

● **11:15 AM-11:45 AM - Legal Outlook**

Hear the latest legal developments and trends as they relate to Local Government.

🎤 **Catherine Dunlop | Partner, Employment Safety & People, Maddocks**

● **11:45 AM-12:45 PM - Closing Key Note: Last Man Standing**

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🎤 **Steven Bradbury | Australian former short-track speed skater and four-time Olympian**

● **12:45 PM-1:00 PM - Closing Notes, FinPro Prize Draw and End**

Thank-you for attending the 2024 FinPro Conference and safe travels home

