



**MEAT  
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AND EXPORT**  
CONFERENCE 2023

# PROGRAM

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October 31 - November 1, Royal Pines Resort, Gold Coast



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## TUESDAY OCTOBER 31

### PRE CONFERENCE PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### MORNING

Meat Business Women Masterclass

#### AFTERNOON

##### Option 1

Golf - 9 holes Ambrose at Royal Pines sponsored by Agri-Labour

##### Option 2

Tour of the Port of Brisbane (bus departs Royal Pines at 12.30pm)

##### Option 3

Dealing with Detractors Workshop - delivered by **Abby Kornegay** of the Alliance for Animal Agriculture at Royal Pines

#### EVENING

Welcome Function hosted by **Tim Ryan** and **Sam Munsie**, featuring an Extravaganza of Protein and People

## WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1

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#### SESSION 1: POLITICS

- 8.30am Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country with **Stan Grant**.
- 8.40am An introduction to MPEC '23 and a welcome to the Minister - with **Patrick Hutchinson**, CEO, AMIC
- 8.45am **Navigating head winds:**  
The **Hon Murray Watt**, Minister for Agriculture is invited to explain his three key policies that will deliver surety to the business of meat processing and exporting.
- 9.15am **Food, fuel and future Security:**  
Journalist, political commentator and distinguished author **Peter Hartcher** provides a challenging insight into the political x climate x economic landscape that will determine our future access to food, fuel and security.
- 10.00am **Australian Agriculture on the World Stage:**  
As Special Representative for Australian Agriculture under the government's Global Agriculture Leadership Initiative, **Su McClusky's** engagement with regulators, stakeholders and farmers in key overseas markets has her well placed to provide insight and commentary into Australia's trading future - and the opportunities and challenges ahead.
- 10.30am **Morning Tea**

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## SESSION 2: CHANGING PARADIGMS

- 11.15am **Wise Counsel:**  
We invite former politician **Joel Fitzgibbon** to provide his unique insight into how best to work with a Labor government and powerful unions on the critical matters of workforce - particularly immigration and industrial relations. We seek his frank and fearless views to help the industry get connected in this new paradigm.
- 11.45am **Questions**
- 12.00noon **The future of meat processing according to RSPCA** - with RSPCA CEO **Richard Mussell**
- 12.30pm **International perspectives with Stan Grant:**  
Who better than respected journalist **Stan Grant** to extract an understanding of key issues affecting the world meat industry. International industry leaders help us understand what markets will require in terms of animal welfare, environment & food safety. Stan is joined by NZ Meat Industry Association CEO, **Sirma Karapeeva**; Canadian Meat Council president, **Chris White**; and North American Meat Institute President, **Julie Anna Potts** and AMIC CEO **Patrick Hutchinson**.
- 1.00pm **Lunch**

## SESSION 3: BUSINESS AND TRADE

- 2.00pm **Risky Business:** We ask economist **Saul Eslake** to pose what he sees as the three biggest business risks to our \$35billion sector and how we should mitigate against them.
- 2.30pm **Questions**
- 2.40pm **The State of Global Shipping: Consolidation, Carbon and Conflict.**  
Supply chain specialist and industry advisor with the Simplified Trade System Implementation Task Force, **Michael Byrne** provides his insights.
- 3.10pm **The China Influence:**  
Journalist **Stan Grant** returns to host a panel on the role of China in the global meat market. He is joined by **Jenny Chen** of the Australia-China Business Council ACT Branch; KPMG, Chairman, NSW, Head of Asia & International Markets, **Doug Ferguson**; and our keynote speakers.
- 3.50pm **Break**
- ## SESSION 4: A CURRENT AFFAIR
- 4.15pm **Affairs of currency with Stan Grant:**  
**Stan** interviews the Australian meat industry leaders to tackle the matters that keeps them awake at night. We've heard the international perspectives earlier - but what are our movers and shakers doing about them? AMIC's **Patrick Hutchinson** is joined by APL's **Margo Andrae**, MLA's **Jason Strong** and AMPC's **Chris Taylor** to discuss.
- 5.00pm **Close**
- 6.30pm **The Americold Gala Dinner**

