

GREEN BUILDING FORUM 2025

Green Building Forum Sydney – Wed, 29 October, 2025 – Dockside, Cockle Bay Wharf

- 8:30am** **Arrival and networking**
Enjoy a coffee and pastry while networking with your peers
- 8.55am** **Opening remarks from the Chair**
- 9:00am** **Welcome to Country**
- 9.10am** **Icebreaker – An informal session to build your network**
- 9.20am** **Industry Leaders Panel – trends and sustainability outlook shaping the state**
- What does the current landscape look like in the NSW market?
 - Where are the opportunities for sustainability?
 - What are the future trends on the horizon and what should be on the radar?
- Penny Barker**, General Manager, Sustainability, **Stockland**
Dr. Matthias Irger, National Head of Sustainability, **COX**
Davina Rooney, CEO, **Green Building Council of Australia**
- 10.00am** **GBCA Update**
Jorge Chapa, Chief Impact Officer, **Green Building Council of Australia**
- 10.20am** **Case study: Green Star Buildings in focus**
*Discover the vision and technical innovations behind **55 Pitt Street**, a landmark mixed-use commercial and retail development. As the first project in NSW to achieve a 6-Star Design Review rating under Green Star Buildings v1, this session will dive into the strategies and sustainability initiatives that will shape this project.*
- Daniel Lia**, Senior Sustainability Manager, Carbon Planning & Construction, **Mirvac**
Grant Eckett, Senior Development Manager, **Mirvac**
- 10.50am** **Morning Tea**
- 11.20am** **Future-proofing assets: Insights for long-term performance and sustainability**
- 11.40am** **Case study: The recertification of Barangaroo South**
This session will explore the journey of Barangaroo from its initial 6 certification through to the recertification process under Green Star Communities Pilot tool v0.2
Hear the details from carbon reduction innovations to precinct wide innovation outcomes of this iconic Sydney precinct.*
- Karen Greaves**, Senior Sustainability Manager, Development, **Lendlease**
- 12:10pm** **Beyond the build: Innovation in materials and sustainable sourcing**
- 12.30pm** **Launching Buildings v 1.1 – unpacking the updates**
This session will cover the changes and updates to Green Star Buildings v1.1 and what it means for individuals and project teams delivering Green Star.
- Taryn Cornell**, Senior Manager – Strategy and Development, **Green Building Council of Australia**

1.10pm	Lunch	
2.10pm	BREAKOUT WORKSHOPS	
2.10pm	<p>GREEN STAR WORKSHOP: HOW TO DELIVER A HIGH PERFORMING SUBMISSION</p> <p>Unlock top tips for a standout submission! Discover common pitfalls, how to avoid them, and get advice from assessors. Join small group discussions, share insights, and have your questions answered.</p> <p>Presented by: Elham Monavari, Head of Green Star Strategic Delivery, Green Building Council of Australia</p> <p>Anna Davis, Senior Manager – Green Star Technical Delivery, Green Building Council of Australia</p> <p>+ Assessors including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devan Valenti, Director of Sustainability, AESG • Tony Watson, Managing Director, Green Matters • Rory Eames, Founder, Brevet • Kim Featherston, Sustainability Director, Frontier 1 Consulting 	<p>KNOWLEDGE SHARING WORKSHOP</p> <p>Gain fresh insights, share experience, and explore emerging topics in this interactive session designed to spark open dialogue and knowledge exchange.</p> <p><i>Further details to be announced shortly</i></p>
3:30pm	Afternoon Tea	
4:00pm	<p>Case study: CIT Woden - A smart campus</p> <p><i>This session will explore how CIT Woden, targeting a 6-Star Green Star Buildings v1 rating, has positioned itself as a model smart campus. The use of a Cross-Laminated Timber (CLT) frame in the main building has significantly reduced the project's carbon footprint, setting a new benchmark in sustainable design. Integrating a youth foyer, transport hub, and university building, the development prioritises climate resilience and community engagement, delivering strong environmental and social outcomes.</i></p> <p>Barry Hackett, Partner, Gray Puksand</p> <p>Ruchita Panchal, Senior Sustainability Consultant, AECOM</p>	
4.30pm	<p>In Conversation: Progressing the outcomes and themes of the day</p> <p>Taryn Cornell, Senior Manager – Strategy and Development, Green Building Council of Australia</p> <p>+ speakers to be confirmed</p>	
5.00pm	Networking drinks reception	
6:00pm	Event Close	