

# GREEN BUILDING FORUM 2025

Green Building Forum Virtual – Wed, 19 November, 2025

- 8:30am **Navigation and networking**  
Check out the Airmeet platform and connect with other online delegates through the chat and meet functions
- 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 VIC market?
  - Where are the opportunities for sustainability?
  - What are the future trends on the horizon and what should be on the radar?
- Krista Milne**, Director, Climate Change and City Resilience, **City of Melbourne**  
**James Wewer**, Head of Sustainability Australia – Development and Construction, **Lendlease**  
**Richard Mullane**, Board Director & Managing Principal, Melbourne, **Hassell**  
**Davina Rooney**, CEO, **Green Building Council of Australia (moderator)**
- 10.00am **GBCA Update**  
**Jorge Chapa**, Chief Impact Officer, **Green Building Council of Australia**
- 10.20am **Case study: A new era in sporting facilities with Green Star**  
*This session dives into the Armstrong Creek Sports Centre, targeting a 5 Star Green Star Buildings v1 rating. Explore key technical challenges and the innovative strategies used to future-proof the facility.*
- John Riffa**, Impact Achiever, **Development Victoria**  
**Mailin Linblad**, Sustainability Buildings Lead VIC, **Mott MacDonald**
- 10.50am **Morning Tea**
- 11.20am **Future-proofing assets: Insights for long-term performance and sustainability**
- 11.40am **Case study: Green Star Buildings in focus**  
*This session will explore **The Social Quarter**, a case study in entertainment precinct development, that achieved a 5 Star Certification under GS Buildings v1. Examine the design principles that influenced the substantial sustainable outcomes and commitment to environmental responsibility.*
- Vickie Huang**, Associate, Sustainability Team Lead, **ADP Consulting**
- 12:10pm **Beyond the build: Innovation in materials and sustainable sourcing**
- 12.30pm **Launching Buildings v 1.1 – unpacking the updates & Q&A**  
*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 **GREEN STAR WORKSHOP:  
HOW TO DELIVER A HIGH PERFORMING  
SUBMISSION**

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.

**KNOWLEDGE SHARING WORKSHOP**

Gain fresh insights, share experience, and explore  
emerging topics in this interactive session designed  
to spark open dialogue and knowledge exchange.

*Further details to be announced shortly*

**Presented by:**

Elham Monavari, Head of Green Star Strategic  
Delivery, **Green Building Council of Australia**

Anna Davis, Senior Manager – Green Star  
Technical Delivery, **Green Building Council of  
Australia**

+ Assessors including  
**Gerard Healey**, Director Sustainability, **The  
University of Melbourne**

**Evalin Lin**, Sustainability Manager, **Laing  
O'Rourke**

**Karen Hovenga**, Principal, **Karen Hovenga  
Consulting**

**Ian Adams**, Director, **Organica Engineering**

3:30pm Afternoon Tea

4:00pm **Case study: Going all-electric - Canberra Hospital Expansion**

*This session will explore the **Canberra Hospital Expansion projects Critical Services Building** that is Australia's first all-electric Green Star hospital building. With a 5\* star Green Star rating, the all-electric status will prevent the release of approximately 1,886 tonnes of carbon emissions annually. Key features of the sustainable design include energy-efficient systems, intelligent heating and cooling, and a holistic building management system*

**Owen Grace**, Sustainability Manager, **Multiplex**

4.30pm **In Conversation: Progressing the outcomes and themes of the day**

**Taryn Cornell**, Senior Manager – Strategy and Development, **Green Building Council of Australia**

+ speakers to be announced

5.00pm Event close