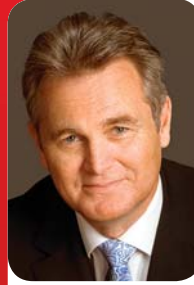


OUR PRESENTERS



HON TERRY REDMAN MLA

Currently holds the important portfolios of Minister for Agriculture and Food, Forestry and Corrective Services and also Minister Assisting the Minister for Education. Prior to entering parliament as the Member for Stirling in 2005, Terry concentrated his efforts in family farming and small business activities. In addition he spent nine years as principal of the WA College of Agriculture, Denmark. This presentation will give an insight into both commonwealth and state policies aimed at growth and sustainability of agricultural small business in the region. Minister Redmond will also address the states strategies to restore the pastoral industry in the aftermath of the live cattle export ban to Indonesia.



BERNARD SALT

A business advisor based in Melbourne, he has established a reputation as a trend forecaster for business and government and heads a group of consultants providing demographic advice to business.

Bernard is a compelling speaker. He provides a perspective of how demographic, consumer and social change might shape the future business environment. He is one of Australia's most in-demand corporate speakers having spoken to audiences in all parts of Australia as well as New Zealand, the US, the UK and South East Asia.

Bernard is also a best-selling author of four popular books on demographic change and a twice-weekly columnist with The Australian newspaper.

HON CHRIS ELLISON

First elected to the Senate for WA in 1993 and has held a number of senior positions including Minister for Justice and Customs, Minister for Human Services and Special Minister of State amongst others. The presentation will provide an up to date summary of negotiations with various airlines addressing economic issues and provide a realistic time frame for Broome –Singapore service introduction.

IAN FLETCHER

Director of the Committee for Perth Ltd and has over 30 years experience in the private sector as well as local, state and federal government. He is currently the Vice President Government Relations for BHP Billiton and has previously held CEO roles with the city of Kalgoorlie Boulder, Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry and also the Tasmanian Department of Community and Health Services. He will discuss ideas for a major regional town of the future.



MARILYNNE PASPALEY AM

Needing no introduction to Kimberley audiences, she has broad career experience that includes acting and news reading amongst her achievements. It is however her business career for which she is best known having served as Executive Director of Paspaley Pearls Australia for more than 20 years to 2007, prior to becoming Managing Director of the incredibly successful and multi award winning Pinctada Resorts and Hotels chain. Her achievements were recognised with the award of Member of the Order of Australia. Local and stakeholder ownership of the Chinatown and Cable Beach tourism precincts are seen as crucial to the long term survival of tourism in Broome. Ms Paspaley will examine the need for a coordinated approach by Government, the tourism industry and service/utility providers in working towards upgraded infrastructure and enabling stakeholders to own a future in tourism.



KATE LAMONT

Chairman of the Board of Tourism Western Australia as well as an operating partner in the family business which operates wine production and sales in the Swan Valley, Margaret River and Cottesloe. She is also a director of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Western Australia. Ms Lamont will present on the need for a greater range of facilities and strategies to attract the growing tourist market from China.



SENATOR HON DAVID JOHNSTON

Graduated from the University of WA with a Law degree in 1979 after which he worked for many years as a barrister and solicitor. He was elected as a Liberal Senator for WA in 2001. He held a number of Shadow Minister positions prior to being elevated to the Shadow Cabinet and appointed Shadow Minister for Defence in 2008. The Senator will profile the Commonwealth's strategies for protection of Australia's offshore resources and infrastructure, particularly in the Browse Basin and along the Kimberley coast.



GAIL MCGOWAN

Gail is the Deputy Director General in charge of the State Initiatives division of the Western Australian Department of State Development. This position involves leadership and management responsibility for projects of strategic significance to the State, including the Oakajee Mid West Development; Ord-East Kimberley Expansion; and Browse Liquefied Natural Gas projects. She has been in this role since August 2008. Much of her work involves negotiating and liaising with stakeholders across industry, government and the community.

From 1999 to 2008 Gail was the Director of Policy and Education at WorkSafe, the Western Australian government's occupational safety and health regulatory body. In this role she was the chairperson of a number of national bodies and working groups, with a particular focus on workplace safety in the building and construction industry.

Her background also includes a number of years as the principal policy advisor and Chief of Staff to State and Federal Ministers of Parliament, with responsibility across a range of portfolio areas including employment and training, industrial relations, women's interests and the environment.

Gail holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Education and Communication Studies.