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Building Resilience + Community

9-12 SEPTEMBER 2022, GOLD COAST



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Welcome!

A message from our National President



Given the past two years that we have all endured, it is fitting that the Gold Coast be the location of our 23rd National Conference. What better place to come together, from all parts of our great country, and learn new ways to build our businesses and further develop ourselves and our networks, making us all stronger as both individuals and as an industry!

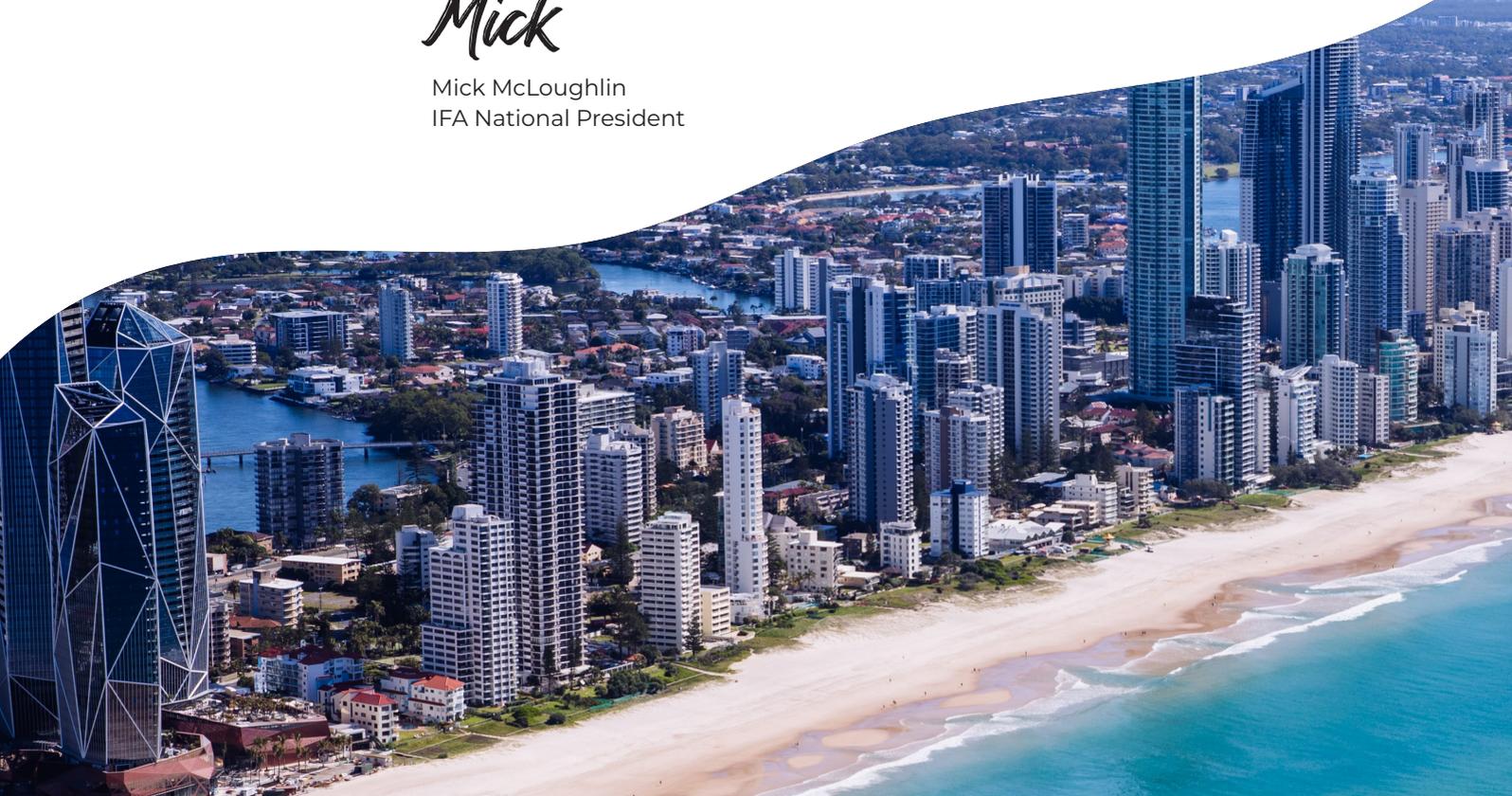
Our theme, **Building Resilience + Community** is so relevant as members and leaders work together even closer to create a bigger, better future for all of us. Our keynote speakers this year bring with them a wealth of knowledge about how to further develop our communities and build resilience and use it to improve ourselves and our business as we seek to get in front of the unprecedented changes that have been occurring since the start of the pandemic.

As always, we will take some well-earned breaks to enjoy the sights, while spending time with friends and colleagues. Not forgetting our big night of nights, the Saturday Gala Dinner where we will celebrate our Award winners and then round off the conference on Sunday evening with some great food and wine at the iconic theme park, MovieWorld!

I'm look forward to seeing you all there!

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Mick McLoughlin
IFA National President



Our M.C.

KAT DAVIDSON

Kat has over 25 years' experience as a comedian and host. With a background in improvisation, Kat easily adapts her approach to suit the audience. She is an experienced broadcaster after spending countless years at ABC Radio and a comedian capable of keeping a lively IFA crowd focused and well and truly entertained.



Our Speakers



MARK MCCRINDLE

Mark is a social researcher with an international following. He is recognised as a leader in tracking emerging issues and researching social trends. As an award-winning social researcher and an engaging public speaker, Mark has appeared across many television networks and other media. He is a best-selling author, an influential thought leader, TEDx speaker and Principal of McCrindle Research. His advisory, communications, and research company, McCrindle, count among its clients more than 100 of Australia's largest companies and leading international brands. Mark's highly valued research and reports, presented through infographics, data visualisations, videos, media input, resources, and blogs, have developed his regard as an expert demographer, futurist, and social commentator.

GLENN AZAR

Glenn is a former professional soldier having served full time in the Australian Army for 17 years where he commenced his career as an Infantry Soldier before changing to the Royal Australian Army Medical Corps (RAAMC) and qualified as an Aviation Evacuation Specialist Medic and later completed his Registered Nursing Degree. He has served on Operational and non-Operational Deployments around the world and lead troops in a variety of different environments and through some challenging times. Upon leaving the military Glenn set up an adventure travel company, Adventure Professionals, where he trains and leads people from all walks of life on adventures to Papua New Guinea, Nepal, Russia, Canada, Africa and Australia. He has led 79 treks across the Kokoda Track in PNG and climbed Mt Kilimanjaro 13 times and lead 12 trips to Everest Base Camp and Dog Sledding in the Yukon. When he's not adventuring Glenn shares his passion and knowledge for teamwork, leadership and building resilience.



TONY WILSON

Performance Lab founder, Tony Wilson is a motivational speaker who delivers keynotes aimed at challenging the way we currently think about Leadership and Performance in the 21st Century. Tony's focus on the science of high performance provides a fascinating look at what makes us, and our people, do their best work. Originally a performance coach for elite athletes and sporting teams throughout Australia and the USA, Tony Wilson combines his degrees in performance science (BSc) and contemporary management theory (MBA) to put a unique slant on high performance in and out of the office. An inspirational speaker with a focus on the science of high performance, Tony Wilson helps team performance by working with leaders around the world to create the environment for their people to thrive and works with individuals on managing their own performance and productivity. He is changing the way people work and lead.

The location

Brimming with spirit and an infectious energy, the Gold Coast offers an unrivalled blend of world-class facilities and activities and down-to-earth hospitality. From its sun-kissed location to its internationally-acclaimed hotels, ultra-modern venues, and uber-cool creative spaces, it's no wonder the Gold Coast has huge appeal for not only family holidays but also business events. With easy connectivity via two international airports, the Gold Coast is a high-value destination.





Our hotel **QT** GOLD COAST

Check in to the new luxury. QT Gold Coast is your glowing ticket to the epicentre of a cultural gold rush, taking a cool left-hander to stardom by way of music, fashion, food and art done the easy way. Along our famous poolside, a sun-kissed renaissance is blooming at QT GC, paradise for more than the surfers. Coast into Baha cool and unexpected delights, drink and dine in the care of the true aficionados at Yamagen Japanese and remember – when in doubt, meet where the locals go. The beachside destination everyone's waking up to.

-  Free WiFi
-  Restaurant
-  Bar
-  Room Service
-  Swimming pool
-  Day Spa
-  Non-smoking rooms
-  24 Hour Reception
-  Conference & Event Facilities
-  Parking





Provisional Program

Friday 9th September

Arrive at your 5-star hotel on Friday afternoon and settle in for an exciting weekend of relationship-building, networking, and fun!

WELCOME FUNCTION

From 5pm onwards, wander 1.5km up the main street of Surfers Paradise or jump on a tram to SkyPoint. The lift to SkyPoint Observation Deck takes you to the highest point above the Gold Coast for stunning 360-degree views from the surf to the hinterland and beyond. Rising 230 metres into the sky, SkyPoint is located on levels 77 and 78 of the magnificent Q1 building, located beachside in Surfers Paradise. Head back to level 78 and grab a drink and enjoy the sunset whilst reconnecting with industry colleagues at our casual welcome function.



Saturday 10th September

After a hearty breakfast, head to the QT's newly-renovated conference space for the start of our plenary sessions.

8.50AM **M.C. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
KAT DAVIDSON

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9.05AM **OFFICIAL OPENING**
IFA NATIONAL PRESIDENT MICK MCLOUGHLIN

9.15AM **KEYNOTE: DEMOGRAPHIC INSIGHTS & FUTURE TRENDS**
MARK MCCRINDLE

Demographer, futurist, social researcher, TEDx speaker, author and Principal at internationally-recognised McCrindle.

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10.15AM **MORNING TEA**

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10.45AM **KEYNOTE: PERSONAL & ORGANISATIONAL RESILIENCE**
GLENN AZAR

Having experienced the amazing resilience of humans when on operational and non-operational deployments around the world, Glenn Azar started to immerse himself in personal development and the study of human behaviour.

12.00PM **LUNCH**

1.00PM **GROUP TEAMBUILDING ACTIVITY**
OFFSITE ACTIVITY

Details to be confirmed.

3.00PM **GROUP TEAMBUILDING ACTIVITY CONCLUDES**
MEET IN THE EXHIBITION & TRADE DISPLAY AREA
Presentations, drinks, and nibbles.

7.00PM **PRE-DINNER DRINKS**
QT BALLROOM FOYER

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7.30PM **GALA DINNER/AWARDS NIGHT**
QT BALLROOM

The highlight for many, the Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony will not disappoint. Hosted by Kat Davidson, this celebration dinner will see the extraordinary calibre of creativity and workmanship of our industry celebrated when winners of our Interior Fitout Awards and Design Awards are announced. This evening will also, no doubt, include plenty of great food, wine and entertainment.

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Sunday 11th September

After a hearty breakfast, head back to the QT's conference rooms for the start of our plenary sessions. Be sure to grab an early coffee and chat to our exhibitors again before our sessions start, and again during the breaks.

9.30AM **WELCOME BACK**
KAT DAVIDSON

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9.45AM **KEYNOTE: MINDSET AND PERFORMANCE**
TONY WILSON

In his presentation, Tony will show some of the tools that high performers use to keep that winning mindset, and constantly push the boundaries of high performance - in and out of the workplace.

11.00AM **CONFERENCE WRAP**
KAT DAVIDSON

11.30AM **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES**



CRUISE

Enjoy an afternoon cruise around the Gold Coast on our SeaWorld Cruise.

(Subject to booking numbers)



GOLF

Relax with a round of golf at one of the Gold Coast's best courses, Palm Meadows.

6.30PM-10.30PM **FAREWELL DINNER**
MOVIE WORLD

Lights, Camera, Action! Warner Bros. MovieWorld truly is Hollywood on the Gold Coast, and tonight you will get a taste of what it's like to be a star!

Coaches depart the QT Hotel at 6.30pm and return at 10.30pm.



Delegate Package

Registration Prices - QT Hotel (King Room)

DELEGATES

PREMIUM MEMBERS	\$1,465.00
SUBSCRIBER MEMBERS	\$1,710.00
NON MEMBERS	\$1,790.00

NON-DELEGATE PARTNER (SPOUSE, ETC.)

PREMIUM MEMBERS	\$1,215.00
SUBSCRIBER MEMBERS	\$1,460.00
NON MEMBERS	\$1,540.00

SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT**

(REQUIRED IF ONLY 1 PERSON OCCUPIES A ROOM)	\$115.00 <i>per night</i>
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ROOM UPGRADES

UPGRADE TO OCEAN VIEW	\$40.00 <i>per night</i>
UPGRADE TO KING SUITE	\$130.00 <i>per night</i>

PRE & POST CONFERENCE RATES - 3 NIGHTS#

KING ROOM (ROOM ONLY RATE, BREAKFAST NOT INCLUDED)	\$230.00 <i>per night</i>
KING SUITE (ROOM ONLY RATE, BREAKFAST NOT INCLUDED)	\$330.00 <i>per night</i>

ACTIVITIES

CRUISE	\$90.00
GOLF	\$100.00

^ All prices quoted exclude GST.

* Registration costs are all-inclusive of accommodation, organised meals and drinks, plenary session attendance (delegates only), and some nominated activities during the conference. Conference period commences with welcome function on the night of Friday 9th September, and concludes with breakfast on Monday 12th September. Anything outside of this is NOT included.

** Registration costs are based on twin share. If attendees choose to only have 1 person per room, a Single Room Supplement payment is required.

Pre conference - 6th, 7th, and 8th September **or** Post conference - 12th, 13th, and 14th September.

INCLUSIONS

Conference prices are quoted based on double or twin share accommodation at QT Hotel. The basic conference package includes:

- Three (3) nights' accommodation (Fri, Sat, Sun)
- Breakfast (Sat, Sun & Mon)
- Lunch (Sat & Sun)
- Organised functions (Fri, Sat & Sun) including meals, beverages & entertainment.



Registration

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