

Governance, Risk, Compliance Summit NSW

📅 14 October 2025 📍 Doltone House - Darling Island, Sydney

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Tara Cahill
Chief Risk Officer



David Knoff
Antarctic Expedition Leader



Rayna Heckenberg
Chief Risk Officer



Liong Lim
Chief Risk Officer



Karen Durand
Head of Climate Change & Corporate Sustainability

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Kim Bluett
Head of Enterprise Risk & PMO



KEY TOPICS



A C-Suite's Perspective -
Aligning GRC Priorities,
Global Factors & the
Wider Business



Building Operational
Resilience & Unlocking
Opportunities to Drive
Business Value



Keeping up with the Pace
of ESG Change & Aligning
Risk Management with
New Mandatory
Standards



Practical & Ethical
Considerations for the
Use of AI in RC

WHO WILL ATTEND

CRO

Risk & Resilience

Governance

Compliance

Board Members

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AGENDA

8:30AM REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS

9:00AM WELCOME REMARKS

9:10AM ATTENDEE SPOTLIGHT

Diary of a CRO - Priorities, Challenges and Roadmaps for 2026

9:40AM PANEL DISCUSSION

A C-Suite's Perspective – Aligning GRC Priorities, Global Factors & the Wider Business:

- Global macroeconomic factors & constant disruptions that today's boardroom need to monitor
- Fostering an environment where risk management is not just a policy, but a culture
- Communicating the value addition of risk management to the Board & wider business

Tara Cahill, Chief Risk Officer, Bupa

Rayna Heckenberg, Chief Risk Officer, Police Bank

Liong Lim, Chief Risk Officer, Nine Media

Moderator: James Kavanagh, Strategic Accounts Manager, Archer

10:20PM CASE STUDY

The Evolving Landscape of Integrated Supplier Governance

Justin Laughlin-Hyde, Regional Director, Supplier Risk & Governance, Asia Pacific, S&P Global

10:50AM MORNING TEA & NETWORKING

11:20AM INTERACTIVE

Crisis Command Challenge :

Respond to a crisis, Make critical decisions under pressure & Manage business continuity effectively

11:40AM PANEL DISCUSSION

Building Operational Resilience & Unlocking Opportunities to Drive Business Value

- Real-life examples of operational resilience driven by the R&C function
- Taking business continuity from a risk lens with other stakeholders
- How the risk function can enhance business value through financial efficiencies, customer outcomes, understanding supply chains & more

Kim Bluett, Head of Enterprise Risk & PMO, Sydney Opera House

Lisa Webb, Executive Manager Operational Resilience & Risk Frameworks, IAG

Sharjeel Butt, Head of Risk & Compliance, Unity Bank

Moderator: Austin Sambells, Account Executive, Riskconnect

12:30PM LUNCH & NETWORKING

1:20PM INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

- Risk Rethought: Driving Smarter GRC with Purpose-Built AI
- AI in Risk Management: Balancing Efficiency & Confidence in its Use
- Promoting a Positive Risk Culture & Embedding Sound Risk Management Practices across your Organisation
- Aligning Your Risk Framework with Business Needs & Decision-Making Processes
- Building True Operational Resilience Through Real-World Lessons

2:00PM PANEL DISCUSSION

Keeping up with the Pace of ESG Change & Aligning Risk Management with New Mandatory Standards

- Integrating ESG risks into ERM frameworks to support long-term organisational resilience
- Co-ordinating the role of ESG & collaborating cross-functionally to drive meaningful change
- What impact will new ESG standards and disclosures have on the GRC professional over the next few years?

Kylie McKiernan, Chief Risk Officer, Macquarie University

Karen Durand, Head of Climate Change & Corporate Sustainability, Incitec Pivot

Malcolm Eng, Head of Risk & Quality, Australian Clinical Labs

Moderator: Kieran Seed, Head of Content - Regulatory Compliance Global

2:40PM AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING

3:00PM KEYNOTE

What Surviving 537 Days in Antarctica Taught Me About Risk, Resilience & Leading a Team through a Crisis

David Knoff, Antarctic Expedition Leader

3:30PM CLOSING REMARKS FOLLOWED BY NETWORKING DRINKS

4:30PM EVENT CONCLUDES