

## **NATIONAL CONGRESS**

10-12 November 2019, Perth



## **Speakers at 2019 NGAA National Congress**



Ethan Kent Senior Fellow, Project for Public Spaces Founder, PlacemakingX

Ethan is one of the world's leading placemaking thought leaders, having led placemaking efforts on more than 200 Project for Public Space collaborations worldwide.



Romilly Madew AO

Chief Executive Officer
Infrastructure Australia

Romilly became Chief Executive of Infrastructure Australia in April 2019, and previously led the Green Building Council of Australia for 13 years.



Dean Cracknell Chief Executive Officer Town Team Movement

Dean is one of the founders of Town
Team Movement, an 'under-arching', nonprofit organisation helping to create a
network of town teams around Australia
and New Zealand.



Jessica Christiansen-Franks

Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer

Neighbourlytics

Jessica is an urban designer and entrepreneur who's been leading the conversation on urban innovation globally for more than a decade.



Michael Campbell
Principal Consultant
Lucid Economics

Michael is founding director of Lucid Economics, a boutique consultancy that works with public and private sector clients to solve their problems using economic and financial analysis.



The Hon. Alan Tudge MP Minister for Population, Cities and Urban Infrastructure

Minister Tudge is the Federal Member for Aston in the Australian Parliament, first elected in 2010 and was previously the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs, Minister for Human Services and Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister.



The Hon. Andrew Giles MP Shadow Minister for Cities and Urban Infrastructure

Andrew Giles was elected as Member for Scullin in 2013. He is also Shadow Minister for Multicultural Affairs and Shadow Minister Assisting for Immigration and Citizenship.



Kelly Grigsby Chief Executive Officer Wyndham City Council

Kelly has been Wyndham City CEO since 2015 and prior to that was Wyndham's Director Community Development. Kelly is a member of the Planning Institute of Australia and a Certified Practicing Planner.



Dr Michael Fotheringham

Executive Director

AHURI

Michael is a research and policy specialist in areas including housing and homelessness, urban policy, public health, and community services planning. He joined AHURI (Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute) in 2014.



Kathryn Seirlis Manager, Growth and Investment City of Casey

Leading the City of Casey's Growth and Investment department, Kathryn oversees economic development, investment, placemaking and strategic planning for growth. She has 15 years experience in statutory and strategic town planning.



Rukshan de Silva

Australian Young Planner of the Year
2019

NSW Dept of Planning

Rukshan is a Principal Planner at the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment. He began his career in Canada, and has continued to specialize in strategic planning and community engagement in NSW.



Patrick Ward

Acting Executive Director, Place

Management

Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority

Patrick is responsible for placemaking, asset management and commercial outcomes across MRA assets including Elizabeth Quay, Yagan Square and the Midland Railway Workshops.



Glenn Capuano

Demographic Consultant
.id – the population experts

Glenn has worked at .id for 12 years, after a decade at the Australian Bureau of Statistics helping to run the 2001 and 2006 Censuses. He believes every place has its own unique story to tell.



Dr Kirsten Martinus
Senior Research Fellow
University of Western Australia

Kirsten's work focuses on the distribution of resources, innovation and economic competitiveness. She balances fundamental research with applied outputs for local and state government.



Dr Kim Johnstone Associate Director Astrolabe Group

Kim brings an in-depth knowledge of population to provide demographic advice to all levels of government. She is VP of Family Planning NSW and member of the UDIA NSW Research and Ageing sub committees.