



# SA Freight Council Conference 2025 - SkyCity Adelaide

15 October - Welcome Reception Drinks  
16 October - Conference

Wednesday, 15 October

SOL Rooftop Lounge

6:00 pm Welcome Reception Drinks sponsored by:

Thursday, 16 October

SkyCity Ballroom West

8:00 am Registration desk open

Arrival tea and coffee sponsored by:

8:45 am MC Welcome and Welcome to Country | Corey Wingard and Cliffy 'Tangku Munaitya' Wilson

9:00 am SAFC Welcome | Adrian Teaha | Chairman, South Australian Freight Council

### Session 1

9:05 am Ministerial Address Keynote Address  
**Emily Bourke MLC** | Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

9:35 am Consulting National Sector Lead – Transport, Consulting National Offering Lead – Intelligent Procurement & Supply Chain KPMG  
**Sari Mackay** | Partner, KPMG

10:00 am - 10:30 am Morning tea

### Session 2: Connecting SA

10:30 am Three keys to unlock future connectivity  
**Wayne Johnson** | Chief Executive Officer, Australian Rail Track Corporation

11:00 am Airfreight – Unleashing Our Potential  
**Brenton Cox** | Managing Director, Adelaide Airport Limited

11:30 am State of Trade: Economic Impact Study of Australian Ports  
**Mike Gallacher** | Chief Executive Officer, Ports Australia

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch

### Session 3: Panel

1:00 pm  
**Jamye Harrison** | Managing Principal, Frazer-Nash Consultancy  
**Matt Jones** | General Manager Bulk Central, Aurizon  
**Jason Clark** | General Manager, Symons Clark Logistics  
**Nicola McFarlane** | Chief Executive Officer, SA Chamber of Mines & Energy  
*Facilitated by Jeremy Conway | Chief Executive, Infrastructure South Australia*

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Afternoon tea

### Session 4: The Future of Freight in SA

3:00 pm Presentation  
**Jon Whelan** | Chief Executive, Department for Infrastructure and Transport

3:30 pm Presentation  
**Daniel Young** | Partner, Houston Kemp

3:50 pm Presentation  
**Caroline Rhodes** | Chief Executive Officer, Primary Producers SA

4:10 pm Presentation  
**Jonathan Wilson** | Chief Executive Officer, South Australian Freight Council

4:25 pm Conference close  
**Corey Wingard** | MC

4:30 pm Conference concludes

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\*The program is subject to change at the discretion of the Organising Committee. For more information about the conference, please visit the [website](#).

# MEET THE SPEAKERS



**Emily Bourke MLC** | Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

Emily is the South Australia's Minister for Infrastructure & Transport and Minister for Autism. Formerly of Pine Point, she serves in the Legislative Council and is recognised for her commitment to advancing transport, infrastructure, and community inclusion.



**Adrian Teaha** | Chairman, South Australian Freight Council

Adrian is Chair of the SA Freight Council and Chief Interoperability & Development Officer at the Australian Rail Track Corporation, bringing extensive infrastructure and commercial expertise to the role.



**Sari Mackay** | Partner, KPMG

Sari is a multilingual senior executive with global experience across supply chain, procurement, manufacturing and consulting, bringing expertise in transformation, strategic sourcing and business improvement.



**Wayne Johnson** | Chief Executive Officer, Australian Rail Track Corporation

With over 15 years' leadership in resources, freight and logistics, Wayne champions rail as a safe, efficient and sustainable mode of transport, with a strong focus on safety, reliability and resilience.



**Brenton Cox** | Managing Director, Adelaide Airport Limited

Brenton leads Adelaide Airport, a \$4bn business contributing \$3bn annually to South Australia's economy, and brings senior experience from Sydney Airport, Macquarie and the legal sector, alongside board roles in education and the arts.



**Mike Gallacher** | Chief Executive Officer, Ports Australia

Since 2017, Mike has led national advocacy for Australia's ports, representing the sector on state and federal committees and driving policy development, following a career in politics and policing.



**Jamye Harrison** | Managing Principal, Frazer-Nash Consultancy

Jamye Harrison, Managing Principal at Frazer-Nash Consultancy, is a former NSW rail executive and Deloitte partner who has led major transformation projects for clients including Sydney Trains, Transport for NSW, Air Services Australia, BHP and Rio Tinto.



**Matt Jones** | General Manager Bulk Central, Aurizon

Matthew is a senior leader with over 25 years of experience in operations, asset management, and reliability across the mining and rail sectors. Currently General Manager Operations at Aurizon, he has held a range of leadership roles driving performance, integration, and strategic asset management across complex, large-scale networks.



**Jason Clark** | General Manager, Symons Clark Logistics

With over a decade of leadership and board-level experience across the freight, transport, and infrastructure sectors, Jason is a passionate advocate for innovation, safety, and strategic growth in the Australian logistics industry.



**Nicola McFarlane** | Chief Executive Officer, SA Chamber of Mines & Energy

Nicola is a mechanical engineer with over 20 years' experience leading major energy and resources projects, including pioneering hydrogen and decarbonisation initiatives in Australia and the UK.



**Jeremy Conway** | Chief Executive, Infrastructure South Australia

Jeremy leads Infrastructure SA in delivering the state's first 20-year infrastructure strategy and provides independent advice on major projects, drawing on senior public sector roles and extensive private sector experience.



**Jon Whelan** | Chief Executive, Department for Infrastructure and Transport

With over 38 years at the Department for Infrastructure and Transport, Jon oversees South Australia's multi-billion-dollar infrastructure program, including the \$15.4bn North South Corridor, and serves as both Rail Commissioner and Commissioner of Highways.



**Daniel Young** | Partner, Houston Kemp

Daniel has over fourteen years' experience in regulatory and competition policy, with expertise in asset valuation, tariff design, and cost of capital. He has advised across energy, telecommunications, and infrastructure sectors, supporting regulatory appeals, developing frameworks, and providing economic analysis for mergers and major disputes.



**Caroline Rhodes** | Chief Executive Officer, Primary Producers SA

Caroline has over two decades of agribusiness experience, having held senior roles across a number of industry sectors as well as extensive board experience. She brings expertise in communications, stakeholder engagement, governance, and board leadership.



**Jonathan Wilson** | Chief Executive Officer, South Australian Freight Council

Jonathan is an accomplished leader with experience across logistics, supply chain, trading and strategy, bringing board expertise and a strong track record in commercial and not-for-profit sectors.