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MONDAY
10.30 AM - 3.30 PM



INNOVATION STAGE



AIP PACKAGING SESSIONS AT FOODPRO

On Monday the 27th of July, the Australasian Institute of Packaging (AIP) will be hosting 4x packaging panel discussions on the Innovation stage at foodpro. The panel discussions will bring together a wide range of industry innovators including companies that entered the 2026 round of the Australasian Packaging Innovation & Design (PIDA) awards. Come and hear about the latest trends in packaging designs, and what is shaping the changing face of Sustainable packaging, materials and systems.

The panelists will discuss a broad range of topics including Extended Producer Responsibility regulations, the landscape for re-designing recycle ready packaging, moving towards kerbside recyclable alternatives, finding the balance between food & packaging waste, reduction of materials, reusable and refillable systems, the use of renewable materials such as sugarcane and dry moulded pulp, and more. The panelists will offer local, regional and global perspectives and will be showcasing some innovative new packaging coming out of the Australasian region.

Session 1 10.30am - 11.20am

This session will cover innovative trends in Food packaging including meat and fresh produce, save food packaging and date labelling.



Nerida Kelton FAIP
Vice President Sustainability & Save Food
World Packaging Organisation (WPO)



Michael Dossor MAIP
Chief Executive Officer
Result Group



Warwick Armstrong MAIP
Managing Director Oceania
IPE Pack and Technology Oceania



Prof. Simon Lockrey
School of Design, RMIT University
National Reduce Program Leader, End Food Waste CRC

Session 2 11.30am - 12.20pm

This session will discuss the latest trends and design innovations in kerbside recyclable fibre and renewable materials.



Mark Rohrlach
Regional Sales Manager Industrial Australasia
Detpak



Ola Wicik AAIP
Packaging Engineer
Opal



David Kilpatrick MAIP
R&D, Quality and Innovation Director
Zipform Packaging

Session 3 12.30pm - 1.20pm

This session will cover Sustainable Packaging design, recycle ready materials, washable adhesives, light weighting and recycled content.



Pippa Corry MAIP
Founder & Director
Philo & co



Saurabh Narula MAIP, CPP
Packaging Manager
McCormick Foods Australia



Devaki Rajendran MAIP
APAC Regional Sustainability Manager
MCC Label



Craig Walker MAIP
Packaging Specialist
Woolworths Group

Session 4 1.30pm - 2.20pm

This session will discuss refillable and reusable innovations and the shift to certified compostable packaging for ready meals, restaurants & hospitality.



Harald Hendriks AAIP
Owner
Pac Food



Glenn Drake MAIP
Business Development Manager - ANZ
Bonson Packaging



Darren Phillips
Commercial Manager ANZ
Finest Global Limited



Joe Macias
Chief Operating Officer
Pinnacle Packaging

Register as a Visitor to foodpro and then join the AIP at the Innovation Stage.

All attendees will attain CPD points towards the globally recognised Certified Packaging Professional (CPP) designation.

