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Job Vacancy



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AIP Congratulates New Graduates



Jessica Ansell AAIP

Certificate in
Packaging
Graduates



Kuan Hwa Wong AAIP

Certified
Packaging
Professional
Graduate

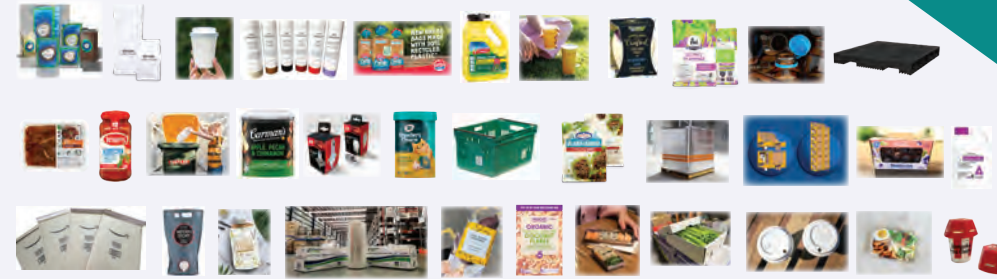


Danielle Manetti MAIP, CPP

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Techtronic Industries: Circular Economy Manager

Who they are:

Milwaukee Tools is an industry leader in the manufacturing of cordless & electric power tools, accessories, and hand tools. They pride themselves on an unrelenting strategic focus on powerful brands, innovative products and exceptional people.

Their culture is centered around improving the lives of their users, something that not only drives their product development but underpins everything they do. Milwaukee Tools are committed to ensuring their people have a great experience at Milwaukee, so in addition to an exciting and challenging role they also provide a range of great employee benefits including:

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- **Health & Wellbeing:** Paid Parental Leave and Employee Assistance Program.
- **Discounts & Perks:** Generous discounts on company products, laptop provided, novated leasing options.
- **Social:** Recognition programs and social events to celebrate our team's achievements

About the role

They currently have a great opportunity available for a Circular Economy Manager to lead and manage Milwaukee's waste operations and sustainable packaging program.

Reporting to the Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, your key responsibilities will include:

- Own & manage seven circularity targets within the recently approved CSR strategy and lead the Circularity Steering Committee to deliver the targets on time and within budget.
- Work towards a future state in which 100% of Milwaukee's packaging is either re-usable or recyclable and includes 50% average recycled content.
- Explore, engage and deliver on the development of suitable waste management stewardship programs relating to battery and electronic tool recycling, with a focus on continuous improvement.



- Apply best practice circular economy principles and work closely with industry and eWaste providers to develop innovative solutions & products from electronic tool waste.
- Work with internal comms, learning & development and the operational sites to develop education and behaviour programs to ensure everyone plays their part in meeting their global waste targets.

What you will need to do this role:

- A passion for waste and recycling with a proven ability to drive behaviour change positively.
- Professional experience in Sustainability with specific experience in resource recovery, waste management or circular economy thinking within a medium to large organisation.
- Specific experience in creating an improved and more mature program of work on resource use and recovery. Demonstrated experience in working towards ambitious waste-from-landfill targets.
- Broad knowledge of waste and resource recovery experience as well as a good understanding of current and up-coming waste regulation and legislation, particularly on packaging.

About You

- You will have a tertiary qualification, preferably in environmental or sustainability studies.
- Strong project management skills with demonstrated ability to collaborate, plan, manage and deliver sustainability programs of work to tight deadlines.
- Stakeholder and data mapping, together with an ability to work cross-culturally or geographically to deliver outcomes.

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The AIP would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Danielle Manetti MAIP, CPP, Sustainable Packaging Technologist, Jurlique International on successfully achieving the Certified Packaging Professional (CPP) designation. The CPP program has been accepted as the global recognition as a packaging professional and therefore the CPP designation has now become the leading mark of excellence internationally and a must-have recognition of industry proficiency and achievement for packaging professionals.



Danielle Manetti MAIP, CPP
Sustainable Packaging Technologist, Jurlique International

1. How long have you been in the industry? What are your areas of expertise?

Danielle: I have been in the packaging industry for almost 7 years. My expertise includes driving sustainable packaging initiatives, supporting new product and packaging development, and applying the appropriate test methods to help guide packaging design decisions.

2. What made you apply for the Certified Packaging Professional (CPP) Designation?

Danielle: Having recently completed the Fundamentals of Packaging Technology Online course, I felt the CPP designation was the natural next step. The online course had provided a solid foundation, and the CPP designation seemed like the ideal way to validate the learnings gained and demonstrate a continued commitment to professional growth within the industry.

3. How important is attaining the CPP designation to you as an individual?

Danielle: Attaining the CPP designation is an important milestone in my career, as it reflects my commitment to continuous learning and self-growth. It helps to validate my expertise and experience within the packaging industry, and the tools necessary to continue advancing..

4. How important is the CPP designation for the greater recognition of people in the packaging industry?

Danielle: The CPP designation is globally recognised, and could serve as a benchmark of expertise within the packaging industry. It enables professionals to demonstrate the breadth of their knowledge, boosting their credibility in both local and global markets.

5. Were there any new learnings or takeaways that you gained from the experience?

Danielle: The key takeaway from this experience is the realisation of how broad and multi-faceted the packaging industry truly is. While I have had the opportunity to work with a diverse range of packaging formats, this experience highlighted how much more there is to explore and the intricate details you can go down to.

6. What next for your career?

Danielle: The next step in my career is to apply the knowledge I've gained throughout this process and continue expanding on my desired areas of expertise. I am particularly interested in leading complex projects that can help build on my packaging knowledge, resulting in more sustainable and optimised packaging solutions..

The AIP are pleased to advise that our two latest graduates from the Certificate in Packaging degree are Kuan Hwa Wong AAIP, Product Project Manager from TrendPac and Jess O'Donnell AAIP, Marketing Manager from Close the Loop. Please join us in congratulating both Jessica and Kuan for this outstanding achievement and we look forward to watching their career progressions.

The Certificate in Packaging is the ideal first qualification for those working in the packaging industry and an introduction to the industry for those starting out on an exciting career in packaging.



Kuan Hwa Wong AAIP
Product Project Manager
TrendPac

Jess O'Donnell AAIP
Marketing Manager
Close the Loop

1. What is your current role? What are your areas of responsibility?

Kuan: My current role is Product Project Manager at TrendPac, a contract manufacturer for household cleaning and personal care products. I am responsible in managing new product development (NPD) projects, packaging development and improvement, and sustainability.

Jessica: I'm currently working as Marketing Manager for Close the Loop, dealing with both collection and recycling as well as packaging creation and design projects. I have a broad range of responsibilities that incorporate traditional and digital marketing functions, as well as product/packaging training and key stakeholder management.

2. What does graduating from the Certificate in Packaging mean to you?

Kuan: Graduating from Certificate in Packaging provides me a formal recognition to my capability and knowledge in packaging.

Jessica: Graduating from the Certificate in Packaging has provided me a great sense of accomplishment for my achievements, while helping to solidify and expand my packaging knowledge base beyond the confines of my everyday role. It has allowed me to highlight the level of product knowledge and understanding I have to others in order to further excel in my career, as I think the need for marketers to understand not just their audience, but their product, is often undervalued.

3. How will you apply this knowledge moving forward?

Kuan: Due to the nature of my work, I have been applying the knowledge as I learn in my day-to-day task. The learning prompt me to think further during packaging design and enable me to have more comprehensive discussion with stakeholders.

Jessica: The course presented new areas of interest to me that I would never have had the opportunity to learn about, which opens up new avenues to explore future career pathways. As a young adult in the packaging industry, having such versatility in my packaging knowledge foundation will greatly benefit me as I continue to progress in my work life.

4. Do you have any advice on why other people should complete the Certificate in Packaging?

Kuan: This is the right course for you if you are looking for an introduction to the packaging. The course covers the fundamental of packaging, that provides a general understanding of the purpose of packaging, packaging material types, printing and manufacturing processes.

Jessica: For anyone always looking to learn and grow, the Certificate in Packaging is an ideal platform for future studies or upskilling in current roles where packaging knowledge is necessary, but difficult to obtain on the job every day. The flexibility of the course and ability to go at your own pace provides a real opportunity for busy professionals to still maintain a work/life/study balance while gaining new insights.

5. So where to from here for your career?

Kuan: I see myself continue to develop my career around product development, packaging and sustainability areas in the near foreseeable future.

Jessica: I am looking to leverage my new-found knowledge to assist my family business for their packaging requirements, while continuing to blend my skills in marketing and packaging in order to drive better outcomes for my career ahead.

6. Will you consider applying to become a Certified Packaging Professional as your next professional development stage?

Kuan: Yes.

Jessica: Yes definitely! After a brief hiatus...

The Certificate in Packaging is a Level 3 PIABC degree that is recognised as giving an excellent foundation in, and introduction to, the packaging industry. The new course provides a level of insight and understanding of the packaging industry that adds real and measurable value to careers and businesses.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

The Certificate in Packaging provides a level of insight and understanding of the packaging industry that adds real and measurable value to careers and businesses. This qualification provides you with the detailed overview of packaging materials and processes that broadens your knowledge and equips you for progression within the packaging industry.



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FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2025 AUSTRALASIAN PACKAGING INNOVATION & DESIGN (PIDA) AWARDS



Finalists for the 2025 round of the annual Australasian Packaging Innovation & Design (PIDA) Awards have been announced with a significant number of unique designs being recognised across multiple categories.

Coordinated by the Australasian Institute of Packaging (AIP), the PIDA awards are designed to recognise companies and individuals who are making a significant difference in their field across Australia and New Zealand.

The 2025 Finalists come from the following PIDA categories:

1. Food Packaging Design
2. Beverage Packaging Design
3. Health, Beauty & Wellness Packaging
4. Domestic & Household Packaging
5. Labelling & Decoration
6. Outside of the Box
7. Sustainable Packaging Design
8. ABA Scholarship Program

The PIDA Awards are also the exclusive feeder program for Australia and New Zealand for the prestigious WorldStar Packaging Awards run by the World Packaging Organisation (WPO). All 2025 PIDA winners will be automatically eligible for entry into the 2026 WorldStar Packaging Awards competition.

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2025 FOOD PACKAGING DESIGN

The Food Packaging Design award recognises organisations that have designed innovative packaging and/or materials, within food packaging and processing including fresh, frozen or other. This is a WorldStar Packaging General award category.

The finalists are Bermuda Coffee Bag Recycling Program (Bermuda Coffee + Close the Loop), TetherSafe (Caps & Closures), Carman's Gourmet Snack Mix (Carman's Kitchen + Zipform Packaging), Gippsland Dairy Crafted Range 150g (Chobani), Feel Good Bananas Certified Compostable Bags (Feel Good Bananas + Close the Loop), Australian Organic Food Co. Vanilla Custard Mono Material Retort Pouch (Flavour Makers + Cheer Pack Asia Pacific), KFC Go Bucket Paper Lid (KFC Australia + Detpak), Opal paper-based food & fresh produce punnet, Opal Wax free Produce Carton, Leggo's Lightweight glass (Simplot Australia), Birds Eye Plant Based Range Recyclable Freezer Pouch (Simplot Australia + Close the Loop) and Macro Health Food Box-Bottom Paper Bags (Woolworths Food Co).



FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2025 AUSTRALASIAN PACKAGING INNOVATION & DESIGN (PIDA) AWARDS



2025 BEVERAGE PACKAGING DESIGN

The Beverage Packaging Design award recognises organisations that have designed innovative packaging and/or materials, within packaging and processing for liquid or dry tea, coffee, water and soft drinks including wine, beer and spirits. This is a WorldStar Packaging General award category.

The finalists are FSC Certified Home Compostable PHA Cups (BioPak), TetherSafe (Caps & Closures), Smooth moulded fibre cup lids (Huhtamaki) and Hidden Story Pinot Grigio Bagnum (Victorian Alps Wine Co. + Auspouch Australia).



2025 HEALTH, BEAUTY & WELLNESS PACKAGING DESIGN

The Health, Beauty & Wellness Packaging Design award recognises organisations that have designed innovative packaging and/or materials, within cosmetics, toiletries, personal hygiene, supplements, vitamins, perfumes, hair body and oral care. This award also covers packaging of all medicines including over the counter medicines, medical equipment packaging. This is a WorldStar Packaging General award category

The finalists are TetherSafe (Caps & Closures), Evo Fabuloso tube 220ml range (Evo Labs + Impact International) and InsulCap Thermal Pallet Covers + Insulated Bubble Cushioning (Wilpak Group International & Sealed Air Australia).



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2025 DOMESTIC & HOUSEHOLD PACKAGING DESIGN

The Domestic & Household Packaging Design award recognises organisations that have designed innovative packaging and/or materials, packaging within domestic and household items, toys, stationary, gifts, clothing, garden equipment, decorating. This is a WorldStar Packaging General award category.

The finalists are TetherSafe (Caps & Closures), Tui range of Child-Resistant Bags (Evergreen Garden Care Group NZ + Close the Loop) and FibreCycle Breeder's Choice Tasty Treats (FibreCycle + Zipform Packaging).



2025 LABELLING & DECORATION DESIGN

The Labelling & Decoration Design award is designed to recognise the addition of content to a pack which creates a unique or innovative appearance, function or communication. This may include labels, sleeves, tags, coding/ markings, etching, directly applied inks or by any other similar process. This is a WorldStar Packaging General award category.

The finalists are Jiffy Padded Lite mailer (Amazon Australia + Sealed Air Australia), FSC Certified Compostable Paper Beer BioCups (BioPak) and Carman's Gourmet Snack Mix (Carman's Kitchen + Zipform Packaging).



FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2025 AUSTRALASIAN PACKAGING INNOVATION & DESIGN (PIDA) AWARDS



2025 OUTSIDE OF THE BOX DESIGN

The Outside of the Box Design of the Year Award has been established for miscellaneous packs and materials that are not included in any other category. This is a WorldStar Packaging General award category.

The finalists are Advantage 9um Pallet Wrap (Bunzl Australia and New Zealand), Veeco rFlex Recycled Plastic Pallets (Veeco Pallets + Close the Loop) and Reusable eCom Tote (Woolworths Reuse co + Viscount Reuse).



2025 ABA SCHOLARSHIPS

The Australasian Bioplastics Association (ABA), in partnership with the Australian Institute of Packaging (AIP), is pleased to offer an annual Scholarship program for Australia and New Zealand. The Scholarship program will enable one eligible candidate the opportunity to undertake a Diploma in Packaging Technology and a second person the opportunity to undertake a Certificate in Packaging.

The finalists are Bernadette Blackley AAIP, Packaging and Processing Coordinator, Dr Oetker Queen Australia, Pippa Corry MAIP, Founder & Director, philo & co, Jonathan Oakes AAIP, Packaging Specialist, Woolworths, Ransheema Rita AAIP, Packaging Technologist, Synlait Milk Limited, Andrew Rennie AAIP, Packaging Technologist, Synlait Milk Limited and Joel Wells, Managing Director, Circular.



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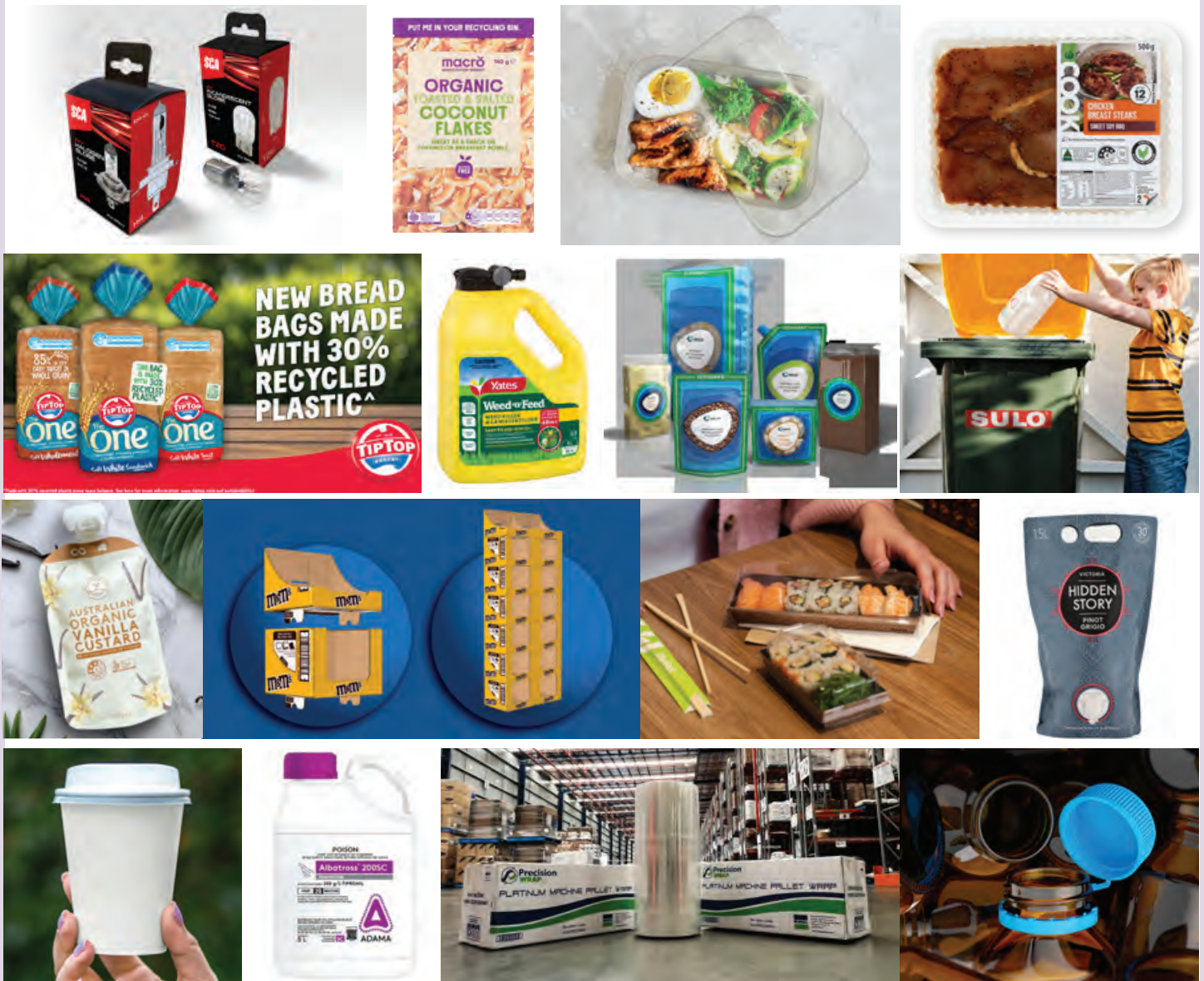
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2025 SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING DESIGN

The Sustainable Packaging Design of the Year award is designed to recognise companies that have developed innovative packaging or processing solutions that incorporates sustainability considerations. Elements include Social, Material, Source Reduction, Energy and Recovery. This is a WorldStar Packaging Special Award category.

The finalists are AmPrima Recycle-ready packaging for shredded cheese (Amcor Flexibles), FSC Certified Home Compostable BioBoard Sushi Trays (BioPak), FSC Certified Home Compostable PHA Cups (BioPak), Advantage 9um Pallet Wrap (Bunzl Australia and New Zealand), Katernmaster Regen reusable food container (Bunzl Australia and New Zealand), TetherSafe (Caps & Closures), Australian Organic Food Co. Vanilla Custard Mono Material Retort Pouch (Flavour Makers + Cheer Pack Asia Pacific), Woolworths Poultry Trays (Inghams Enterprises + Woolworths Food co), M&Ms Display Ready Packaging (Mars + Birdstone Collective), ADAMA Plasma Coating Technology (Pact Group), SULO Circular Mobile Rubbish Bins (Pact Group), SCA Globes and Bulbs (Supercheap Auto), 30% Recycled Plastic Bread Bags (Tip Top Bakeries + Amcor Australia), Hidden Story Pinot Grigio Bagnum (Victorian Alps Wine Co. + Auspouch Australia), Macro Health Food Box-Bottom Paper Bags (Woolworths Food Co.) and Weed n Feed On Hose 4L (Yates).





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Leading apparel business Hanes Australasia says YES to Herma InNo Liner Linerless labelling system and reaps the rewards and awards.

With an increased focus on environmental sustainability and a high demand for waste reduction, the packaging industry has made a lot of noise about a number of packaging innovations. However, when it comes to labelling space, it is not easy to identify a sustainable and eco-friendly approach, since nearly all labelling materials cannot avoid the use liner materials or silicon coating... UP UNTIL NOW.

What the industry hasn't seen yet is the capacity of the **Herma InNo Liner**, introduced to the region by the **Result Group** and installed at **Hanes Australasia's** Distribution Centre in Melbourne. The system is operational and labelling 24 hours a day with no release liner, no silicon content and no waste disposal.

Herma InNo Liner is a truly sustainable labelling option. It contains no liner material, is silicone-free, and enables environmentally friendly packaging through use of shipping labels that contain no liner waste material.

The Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO) places Removal/reduction at the top of the packaging recycling Hierarchy. The Herma InNo liners systems fit into this category based on the removal of traditional liner materials. They are gone, there is no waste.

This innovative technology requires the simultaneous application of two layers of adhesive. Until the dispensing process begins, the outer adhesive layer remains inactive. As part of the application process water is misted onto the dry adhesive instantly creating a permanent adhesive ready to be applied to the cartons as normal.

When compared to a traditional self-adhesive label, the costs are lower, and the costs for disposing of the liner material are eliminated. The materials used are the same as those used today and perform to industry standards. Herma InNo liner uses what works and simply take away the landfill component 100%.

Similarly, because the weight of the liners is removed, the freight costs of linerless label rolls can be reduced by up to 50%. Waste disposal costs are reduced because there are no liners to discard or collect from a production area. Everything is halved from current usage figures. More material fits on a reel to reduce operator interaction and change over times. There is no waste matrix that again becomes landfill as there is no gap required like a traditional Self Adhesive liner based material.

"At Result Group, we are constantly on the lookout for new and innovative solutions from around the world, and Herma has been a long-term, valued partner of ours. For over a decade, we have proudly distributed Herma labelling machines and self-adhesive materials in Australia. The innovative HERMA InNo-Liner System is the result of HERMA's pioneering work and many years of advancement in multi-layer technology for adhesive material production combined with the machine division who produces the applicator. This is a game changer for Tertiary carton labelling," said Michael Dossor, Group General Manager at Result Group.



Hanes Australasia, the owner of such brands in Australia as Bonds, Sheridan, Champion and Bras N Things, was an early adopter of the innovative solution Herma InNo Liner, implementing the new Herma linerless technology as part of its 2025 global sustainability goals. Hanes originally installed two Herma InNo Liner machines at its Melbourne Distribution Centre, followed by a new order for multiple units recently.

"Hanes Australasia is committed to a more sustainable future and have set ambitious goals to achieve zero waste across our operations by 2025. The implementation of Herma labelling equipment in our Distribution Centre is a reflection of this commitment to more sustainable practices and our leadership in implementing innovative solutions. The Herma labelling equipment proved to be an effective solution where we have seen a reduction of over 2.0 tonne of waste and has provided valuable insights into the potential for further innovations in sustainable technology", said Sebastain Siccita, General Manager – Logistics and Operations Hanes Australasia.

"Herma is a leading label technology manufacturer in Germany, specialising in the entire field of self-adhesive technology... But what Herma's team has accomplished in the last few years in the field of sustainability with InNo liners cannot be compared with any other product. Many companies have tried and failed to master linerless labelling and none have mastered linerless silicon free, but Herma succeeded; they mastered and introduced the most sustainable solution in a labelling. 100% Germany quality... We're proud to be in a position where we can support sustainability in the logistics and distribution space in any industry in ways never available before," said Michael Dossor, Group General Manager at Result Group.



By removing the liner, the total material is reduced by 50%

By removing the silicone 100% of the waste that goes to landfill is eliminated

Labelling currently generates millions of tonnes of waste liner and it serves no purpose once the labels are applied. Avoiding this residual material completely eliminates the current costly disposal and recycling operations can continue as normal with no new material or silicon being added to the cardboard or label themselves. Millions of squares meters of backing (liner) material can be removed and their costly disposal or worse yet seeing it end up in landfill.

A huge amount of waste is avoided because the HERMA InNo-Liner system can drastically minimize the entire climate-relevant CO2 footprint of labels – by managing the material without any silicon release liner material or even coating, head to www.resultgroup.com.au and use the CO2 saving calculators available online.

What are the benefits in a nutshell compared to standard Self Adhesive technology;

- No liner waste and therefore no waste disposal costs.
- Lower transport volume and weight and therefore reduced CO2 emissions.
- More material on each roll and therefore fewer roll changes.
- Less material consumption (No label feed or waste stripping).
- No Issues with torn backing paper, there is none.
- Ability to produce Variable label length.
- Free from silicone and any other additives.
- More material on each roll and therefore Less warehousing space.

The printing possibilities are endless. Each label is printed uniquely for its use case in supply chain management, to be scanned and diverted in warehouses, shipping, or supply chain. Barcodes are currently being printed. The system used traditional Direct Thermal or Thermal Transfer printers that are industry standard today.

If necessary, this could be expanded to include 2D codes to cover any advanced supply chain requirement or standard. Consumer QR codes and traceability for real-time supply chain movement and tracking could be added.

Strong ROI is delivered with not just material savings but the oncosts that go with it are removed as well, materials are less expensive because there is less material, and the liner is no longer present so you don't need to throw it away.

Labelling in the shipping industry currently leaves behind millions of tonnes of liner material that is completely useless after the labelling process all over the world.

The complete removal of this residue also means the complete removal of previously required and costly disposal or recycling processes.

Having been awarded **Gold in the PIDA 2023 Sustainable Packaging Design of the Year** and **Silver in the Labelling and Decoration Design of the Year**, it's fair to say the industry is taking notice of the Herma InNO Liner system. Hanes Australasia have been the early adopter and should be congratulated for their forward thinking.

The solution is here, implemented in Australia by Hanes and Result Group. Now it's your call to make ... Herma InNo liner is exclusively distributed by Result Group in Australia and New Zealand.

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New from MAPAL: Polycraft

National Resources previewed some exciting and innovative products coming from one of our new global partners, Mapal Plastics (mapalplastics.com).

Mapal is a manufacturer of high-quality polypropylene sheets and rolls, suitable for a wide range of diverse market segments, from visual communication to the food industry. Mapal Plastics uses state-of-the-art technologies to produce top-quality polypropylene products. Polypropylene sheets are recyclable and can be produced with high levels of PCR content.

Mapal products are offered in various surface finish combinations and sizes and are used in signage and label applications, cosmetics, industrial and food packaging, tags, and an endless variety of applications. After several years of research, Mapal has launched PolyCraft® - Foam PP sheets, which offer a new combination of properties compared to traditional rigid foam products.

PolyCraft is aimed to be used in sign and display applications as well as office products and an endless variety of other applications. PolyCraft is a scratch-resistant and high-impact material that provides exceptional long-term resistance to both indoor and outdoor conditions.

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AIP State of Industry Webinar Product Stewardship & Away from Home Collection

WHEN: **DATE COMING SOON**

WHERE: On-line via Zoom

WHAT: **The European Union Packaging & Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) officially entered into force on 11 February 2025, replacing the Packaging Directive (Directive 94/62/EC).**

The Packaging & Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) aims to:

- **Reduce packaging waste by 15% per person** in each Member State by 2040, compared to 2018 levels. This will be achieved, for example, by cutting down on unnecessary packaging, especially single-use and overpackaged items;
- **Make packaging fully recyclable by 2030**, with specific rules and criteria to enhance recyclability of different materials;
- **Promote reuse or refill** by requiring companies to offer a portion of their products, such as takeaway drinks and meals, in reusable or refillable packaging; and
- **Standardise packaging formats and improve labelling of reusable packaging** making it easier for consumers to make more sustainable choices.

In addition, there will be eco-modulated Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) fees based on recyclability. These rules and targets apply to all packaged products sold in the EU.

If you export your products to Europe then you need to know about the PPWR.

This webinar will provide an update on the PPWR and enable attendees to walk away with a basic toolkit for implementation and next steps. Circular Analytics are one of the leading experts in PPWR for packaging designers and technologists so this is a not-to-be-missed webinar.

By attending the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) Webinar you will:

- Be introduced to the PPWR regulatory framework and its key provisions.
- Learn about the core objectives, timelines, and compliance milestones.
- Better understand how to adopt the PPWR – key actions for brands, suppliers, and manufacturers.
- Navigate reporting requirements.

SPEAKERS:



Lina Wimmer
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APRIL 2025

AIP to support ProPak Asia 2025 International Roadshow

WHEN: 11 April 2025, 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm (GMT+8)

WHERE: Jungle Ballroom, Mondrian Singapore Duxton Hotel

WHAT: ProPak Asia will be continuing their roadshow with a seminar on the 11th of April entitled 'Navigating ASEAN's Processing & Packaging Industry: Insights & Strategies for Growth', and one of our Singaporean Members Darell John Chung, CPP will be representing the Institute as a speaker..

Join industry leaders, market experts, and business innovators as we uncover the latest trends, opportunities, and strategies shaping ASEAN's processing & packaging industry. This exclusive seminar will provide market intelligence, investment insights, and regulatory updates from Singapore, Thailand, and beyond—empowering businesses to expand, innovate, and thrive in the region.

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Kissel + Wolf Australia to host AIP Members

WHEN: **30 April 2025, 11.00 am until 1.00 pm**

WHERE: Kissel + Wolf Australia, 26 Ovata Drive Tullamarine VIC 3043

WHAT: **AIP Corporate Partners Kissel + Wolf Australia will be hosting an educational session on Changing the Paradigm: Packaging Printing & Cutting Equipment from Greater Asia.**

AIP Members are invited to attend this event and discover why leading companies are turning to Greater Asia for cutting-edge digital printing & cutting solutions. In this session, Kissel + Wolf Australia will explore the key advantages, from cost efficiency to quality benchmarks, while addressing critical questions like service reliability, compliance with Australian standards, and investment benefits. Learn how Kissel + Wolf Australia connects you with innovative opportunities in this dynamic market. Don't miss insights that could transform your strategy! Sign up to attend the session.

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WPO WorldStar STUDENT Awards Ceremony 2025

WHEN: **11 April 2025, 10.00 am (CET)**

WHERE: Online via Zoom

WHAT: **The WPO are pleased to announce that the 2025 WPO WorldStar STUDENT Online Awards Ceremony will take place on Friday, April 11, 2025, at 10:00 AM (CET)..**

This prestigious event will celebrate outstanding packaging design innovation from student talents representing 23 countries worldwide.

The virtual format provides an excellent opportunity for winners, educators, industry professionals, and packaging enthusiasts from across the globe to participate in this celebration of excellence.

During the ceremony, the WPO will showcase each award-winning project and recognise the innovative thinking and creative vision of the next generation of packaging designers and professionals. They look forward to having as many students online as possible to join the celebration.



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**11 APRIL 2025
10:00 am CET**

MAY 2025

2025 AIP Annual General Meeting - Hybrid

WHEN: 5 May 2025, 5.00 pm - 6.00 pm AEDT

WHERE: In person at the Sofitel Wentworth Sydney, NSW, Australia or On-line via Zoom.

WHAT: Register your attendance at the 2025 Australian Institute of Packaging Annual General Meeting no later than 29th of April.

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The 2025 AIP Australasian Packaging Conference has been designed with 85 speakers from 20 countries to deliver a two-day educational program that will cover a broad range of topics relating to the theme Reimagine Packaging Design. Having served the industry for over 3 decades this two-day event is the only industry-led packaging conference that has been tailored to bring together packaging professionals from across Australia and New Zealand.

The Australasian Packaging Innovation & Design (PIDA) Awards will also be held alongside of the conference on the 6th of May.

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2025 WorldStar Global Packaging Awards Ceremony

WHEN: **30 May 2025**

WHERE: I-Pack Ima, Milan Italy.

WHAT: Australia and New Zealand winners will be attending the 2025 WorldStar Packaging award ceremony on 30 May 2025 in Milano Italy during the IPACK IMA Packaging Show. At the same occasion, WPO will announce the winners for the special categories – President's Award, Sustainability, Marketing, and Packaging that Saves Food.

18 ANZ WorldStar Awards to be collected



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JUNE 2025

ProPak Asia 2025

WHEN: **11 - 14 June 2025**

WHERE: Bangkok, Thailand.

WHAT: ProPak Asia is Asia's Number One international trade event for Processing & Packaging Technology. ProPak Asia truly is the 'Must-Attend' industry event in Asia for Asia, as quality and variety of products increase and expand, and productivity of operations and manufacturing standards are driven higher by consumer demands and new automation and technological advances, which will be presented at the show.

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2025 Global Packaging Forum: 7th edition

WHEN: **11 June 2025**

WHERE: Alongside ProPak Asia 2025, Bangkok, Thailand.

WHAT: The AIP, in conjunction with Informa Markets, will be running the seventh Global Packaging Forum as an in-person event during ProPak Asia 2025. The pinnacle packaging forum at ProPak Asia will bring together global and regional packaging experts to discuss the future of sustainable packaging design, global packaging design standards, and the roadmap for developing a strong circular economy of packaging across the world.

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AIP 2x Mini Training Courses

WHEN: **12 June 2025**

WHERE: Alongside ProPak Asia 2025, Bangkok, Thailand.

WHAT: 1. Introduction to Corrugate and Cartonboard
2. TBA

FREE TO ATTEND

To be held alongside

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Mini Training Course 1: Introduction to Corrugated Packaging

WHEN: **12 June 2025**

WHERE: Alongside ProPak Asia 2025, Bangkok, Thailand

WHAT: As we live our lives, whether at home, at work, at school or at play; we need things to make things happen. As such, food, clothing, toys and tools are nearly always sent packed and protected from the manufacturer to the user in some form of corrugated packaging. For more than a century it has been a significant packaging format with ever evolving solutions that meet the changing needs of suppliers and customers alike.

In this introduction to corrugated packaging course, participants will get an overview of materials used and manufacturing processes employed in the creation of corrugated solutions of various types of packaging. From strawberry punnets to bulk chilled seafood packs; from shelf ready display shipper to merchandising stand, the humble corrugated box has evolved stretching the imaginations of artists and engineers alike.

It is through that constant evolution of corrugated solutions that greater efficiencies can be achieved not only in terms of packaging costs but also time, energy, cooling, ripening and recyclability. For corrugated is a total supply chain solution and one that has always worked to deliver greater sustainability of this generation and the next.

Objectives:

Through this course, participants will gain an understanding of the following:

- **How corrugated can be engineered to deliver both traditional and emerging market needs around product protection, presentation and cost management.**
- **How different papers and materials used in corrugated packaging can create options to assist future projects.**
- **The corrugating process with it's opportunities to create different board structures.**
- **The various conversion equipment available and style options of packaging produced.**
- **Different printing processes and substrate requirements to deliver the right market presence.**

The course explores numerous areas of packaging and supply chain technology that are key to engineering corrugated solutions for success and avoidance of costly errors. Regulatory compliance, industry standards and packaging specification knowledge are all part of getting your packaging right from the start. Finally, the course will look at sustainability in the real world and how corrugated packaging is playing a leading role in the delivery of responsible packaging for the generations to come.

Who should attend:

This course has been designed to offer a general introduction to corrugated packaging for people involved with the selection, acquisition and design of corrugated packaging for their products as well as people involved in sales and retail. As the course offers insight into the materials and process options involved, showcases better choices, helps participants understand limitations and illustrate how to reduce their total packaging and supply chain spend; the course will offer something to anyone wishing to improve their corrugated packaging experience.

LECTURER:



George Ganzenmuller Dip.Pkg.Tech. FAIP, CPP
AIP Education Team



AIP Workshops

WHEN: **13 June 2025**

WHERE: Alongside ProPak Asia 2025, Bangkok, Thailand.

WHAT: The AIP will be running two free workshops discussing paper and fibre alternatives and the second workshop will be on the latest trends and innovations in plastic packaging: soft and rigid.



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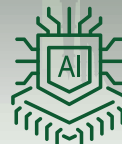
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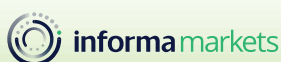
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FoodTech QLD 2025

AIP to Partner

WHEN: 19 - 20 June 2025

WHERE: GCCEC, Gold Coast, Queensland.

WHAT: In 2025, FoodTech Qld will bring together the most innovative food manufacturing solutions into one destination event on the beautiful Gold Coast. Explore new food processing equipment, discover latest advancements in packaging machinery and be inspired by leading industry experts.



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AIP FoodTech QLD Mini Training Courses x2

To be held alongside

WHEN: 19 June 2025

WHERE: Alongside FoodTech Qld, GCCEC, Gold Coast, Queensland.

WHAT: The AIP will be offering not one, but two globally recognised mini training courses at FoodTech Qld. All attendees will receive a Certificate of Attendance and also 6 CPD points towards attaining the global Certified Packaging Professional (CPP) designation.

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Mini Training Course 1: Introduction to Corrugated Packaging

WHEN: 19 June 2025: 9.15 am arrival, 9.30 am to 12.00 noon

WHERE: Alongside FoodTech Qld, GCCEC, Gold Coast, Queensland.

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Mini Training Course 2: The Future of Flexible Packaging

WHEN: **19 June 2025:** 12.30 pm arrival, 12.45 pm to 3.00 pm

WHERE: Alongside FoodTech Qld, GCCEC, Gold Coast, Queensland.

WHAT: With global focus still pointed heavily at curbing plastic waste (and plastic packaging waste in particular), the future of flexible packaging is multi-faceted and diverse- just like this mini course.

Attendees will be presented with an overview of the industry and what is driving changes in the category both locally and abroad, including considerations surrounding food waste, emissions, legislation, and on-pack labelling requirements.

The capabilities of industry to balance function and form as we transition towards mandated pack design standards will be discussed, along with the need for a holistic approach to sustainability in flexible formats. Various flexible packaging pathways will be explored, including mono-polymer/ recyclable materials, compostables, and the use of recycled content. Materials discussion will also include the opportunities that exist in the ever-increasing fibre space.

The course will also provide an overview of various collection and processing systems for soft plastic waste, including both kerbside and take-back models, as well as a review of the capabilities and limitations of both mechanical and advanced recycling processes. This will include discussion surrounding ongoing challenges with the recycling of soft plastics, and how the redesign of flexible formats will drive solutions in this space.

Finally, the course covers the collaborative efforts of industry for success in the realm of flexible packaging, and the on-going investment into Innovation and R&D that will see the category continue to be valuable to brands, customers, and our future.

Objectives:

- To understand the important role that flexible packaging plays in the supply chain.
- To learn about the various flexible packaging materials that can be utilised for more sustainable outcomes.
- To understand the key tailwinds driving the flexible packaging industry and the relevant obligations of brand owners and packaging suppliers in the short-medium term.
- To understand the challenges and opportunities that exist with the recycling and processing of soft plastics.
- To discover the vast resources available to brand owners and suppliers to support them through the ever-changing landscape of flexible packaging.

LECTURER:



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Women in Packaging Awards 2025

WHEN: 27 June 2025

WHERE: 12-Micron, Barangaroo, Sydney, New South Wales.

WHAT: The PKN Women in Packaging Awards program enters its second year in 2025 and continues to enjoy strong industry support.

As the leading source of news and information in the Australasian packaging industry, PKN is dedicated to recognising and celebrating the exceptional achievements of women in our sector. The PKN Women in Packaging program aims to foster diversity, promote innovation, and inspire future leaders in the Australasian packaging industry.

Traditionally, the packaging industry has been male dominated, with women often underrepresented in key leadership roles and decision-making positions. This lack of diversity has hindered innovation and limited the industry's ability to address critical sustainability challenges effectively. It's time to change this narrative and empower women in packaging to take centre stage. It starts with recognising high achievers.

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WHEN: **27 - 29 August 2025**

WHERE: Jakarta, Indonesia.

WHAT: ProPak Indonesia is the leading international processing and packaging trade event in Indonesia for Processing & Packaging technologies. Powered by ProPak Asia, ProPak Indonesia is part of the event series taking part in the region showcasing a comprehensive array of innovative products to a thriving and expanding local market in Indonesia. It is the centerpiece where market trends converge, and industry networking evolve to valuable customer insight. ProPak Indonesia is the 'must-attend' processing and packaging event in Indonesia delivering an industry-focused platform connecting worldwide suppliers to both local and regional buyers in the food & beverage, consumer & personal goods, and pharmaceutical industrial sectors.



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Indonesian Packaging Forum #1

WHEN: **27 August 2025**

WHERE: ProPak Indonesia, JIExpo Kemayoran, Jakarta.

WHAT: The AIP will be running the 2nd Indonesian Packaging Forum in partnership with Pamerindo over two days. This forum will bring together global and local speakers to discuss a wide range of packaging topics.

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Indonesian Packaging Forum #2

WHEN: **28 August 2025**

WHERE: ProPak Indonesia, JIExpo Kemayoran, Jakarta



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SEPTEMBER 2025

Foodtech Packtech 2025

WHEN: 2-4 September 2025

WHERE: Auckland Showgrounds.

WHAT: Foodtech Packtech (FTPT) is New Zealand's largest food manufacturing, packaging and processing technology trade show. Running strong for over 20 years this free to attend event brings industry professionals and decision makers together providing a forum for education, discussion and the sharing of knowledge and expertise, critical in the sustainability and growth of the industry.

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Foodtech Packtech 2025 Packaging Forum

WHEN: 2 September 2025

WHERE: Auckland Showgrounds.

WHAT: The AIP will be running a series of packaging sessions which will be designed as panel discussions covering a broad range of topics.

To be held alongside

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AIP Mini Training Courses

WHEN: 4 September 2025

WHERE: Auckland Showgrounds.

WHAT: The AIP will be running 2x mini training courses alongside of FoodTech PackTech.

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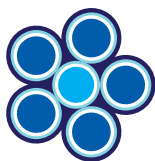
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Japan Pack 2025

WHEN: 7-10 October 2025

WHERE: Tokyo Big Sight East Exhibition Hall (Koto-ku, Tokyo).

WHAT: JAPAN PACK is Japan's leading biennial packaging industry exhibition, which has been held 34 times since the first exhibition was held in 1964. The latest solutions, innovations, and trends related to production lines from major Japanese packaging machinery manufacturers and companies from Japan and abroad will be gathered under one roof.

By matching the various issues faced by stakeholders with solutions to those issues, we create new values, such as improved productivity and promotion of sustainability, as well as develop new business initiatives. As one of Japan's leading packaging trade shows, JAPAN PACK continues to be highly anticipated by the packaging and related industries.



JAPAN PACK 2025



NOVEMBER 2025

swop2025

WHEN: 25-27 November 2025

WHERE: Shanghai New International Expo Centre (SNIEC), China

WHAT: swop is the essential event for the food, beverage, confectionery, bakery, pharmaceutical, cosmetics, non-food and industrial goods sectors. No other trade fair in China represents the entire supply chain. And at no other trade fair in China does the packaging industry provide all industry sectors with tailored solutions and innovative designs based on such a variety of materials.



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DECEMBER 2025

pacprocess 2025

WHEN: 9-11 December 2025

WHERE: Egypt International Exhibition Centre, Cairo, Egypt.

WHAT: The International Exhibition for Processing & Packaging in the Middle East and Africa.

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WHEN: 7 - 13 May 2026

WHERE: Düsseldorf, Germany.

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AIP trip to Vietnam a huge success

As a part of its commitment to the Asean region, the AIP headed to ProPak Vietnam for the first time in March and the week was a huge success and everyone was so welcoming and supportive.

During the week the AIP provided 3x educational offerings for the first time alongside of ProPak Vietnam 2025. In addition, the AIP also had a stand at the show. All educational offerings were very well attended and the AIP received such positive feedback from the industry including ‘where have you been’, the AIP training course were brilliant and so informative, the Vietnam Packaging Forum was unique in that offered deliverable outcomes, actions and checklists for the attendees, please help train the Vietnam packaging industry.

The AIP would like to personally thank Informa Markets for inviting the team to Vietnam and we look forward to strengthening the partnership we have made. We look forward to being back in March 2026.











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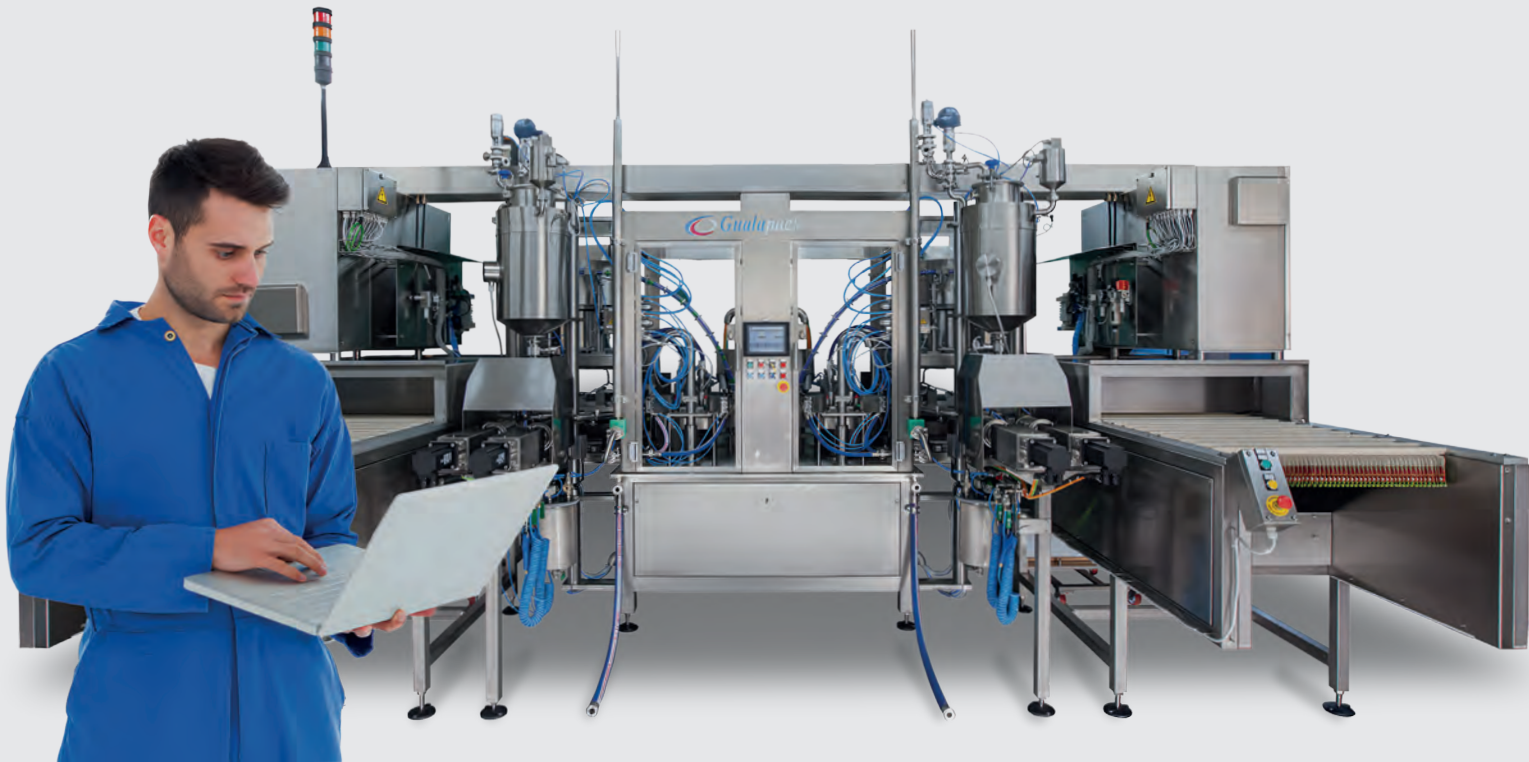


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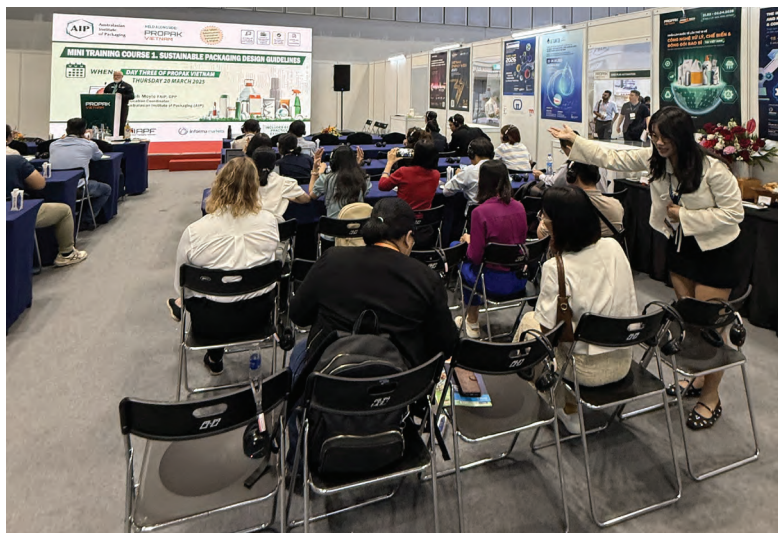
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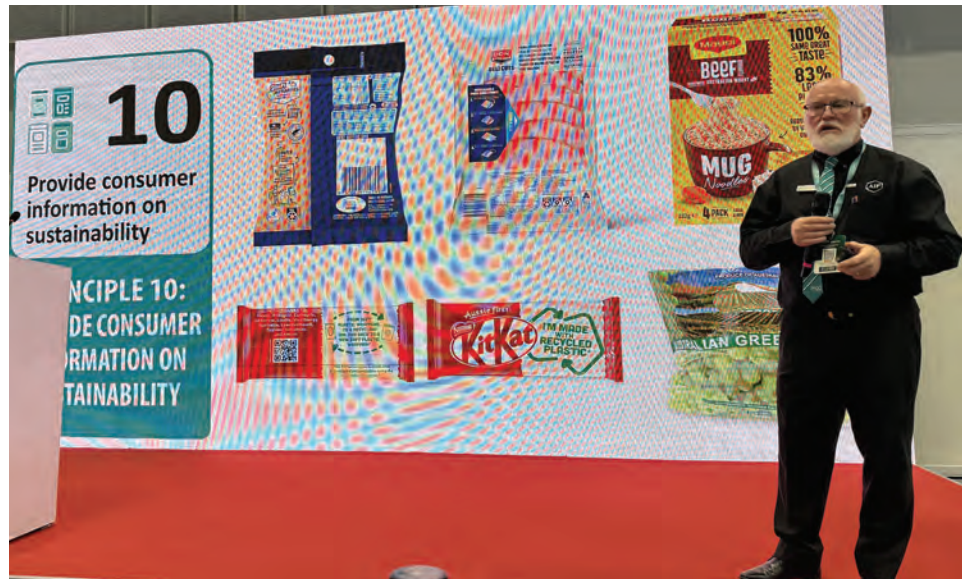
AIP training courses were well attended

The AIP offered not one, but two globally recognised mini training courses on the 20th of March inside ProPak Vietnam. The first course offered was the Introduction to Sustainable Packaging Design Guidelines and the second course was the Sustainable Food Packaging Design guidelines.

The two courses were very well attended with over 40 attending the SPG course and 30 odd attending the Save Food Packaging course. Once again, the simultaneous translation made the difference.







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Inaugural Vietnam Packaging Forum - Wednesday 19 March 2025

The AIP, in partnership with Informa Markets, held the inaugural edition of the Vietnam Packaging Forum on Wednesday the 19th of March alongside of ProPak Vietnam 2025 with standing room only for most of the day. The simultaneous translation was a huge success and made all of the difference for the attendees and speakers.

The Vietnam Packaging Forum brought together 18x local, regional and global packaging experts from the World Packaging Organisation (WPO), the AIP, the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO), the Active & Intelligent Packaging Industry Association (AIPIA), the Vietnam Packaging Association, Vietnam Forest Certification Office, UPM Raflatac, Henkel Vietnam, SIG Group, Circular Analytics, Tetra Pak, Sealed Air, Acviss Technologies, Swiss-Bridge and Koenig & Bauer.

Topics discussed included the European Packaging & Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR), eco-modulation, Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), global and national mandated design standards, updated state of industry reports for Sustainability and packaging regulations globally, regionally and locally, paper based alternatives, the latest trends and innovations in sustainable packaging, finding the balance between packaging waste and food waste, trends and innovations for mono material packaging, recycled content and recycle-ready packaging and active and intelligent packaging trends and innovations.

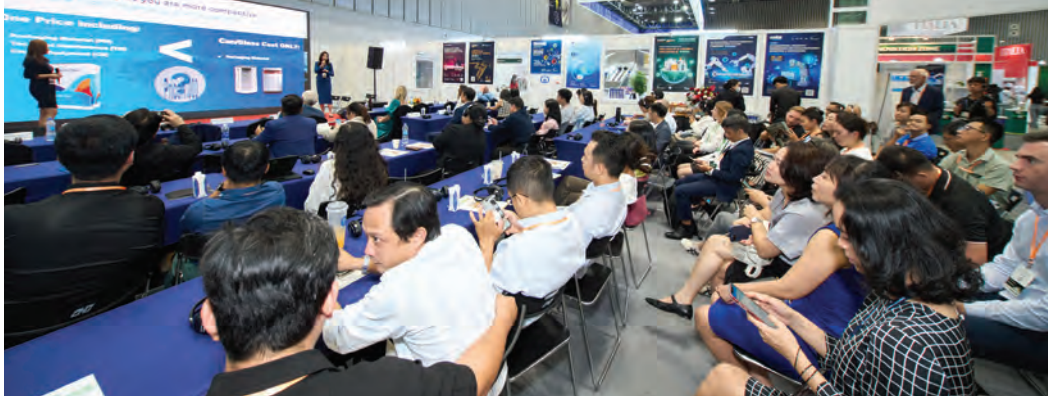
The Vietnam Packaging Forum was supported by the AIP, Informa Markets, the Vietnam Packaging Association, the Asian Packaging Federation (APF), the World Packaging Organisation (WPO) and the Active & Intelligent Packaging Association (AIPIA).

The AIP would like to take this opportunity to personally thank each and every speaker for being a part of the inaugural event; without you it is simply not possible.

















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Sarah says, "A huge thank you to the event organisers, judges, and fellow participants who have been instrumental in this journey. This award fuels our passion and commitment to innovation and growth. Excited to continue pushing boundaries and transforming our vision into reality!

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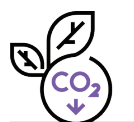
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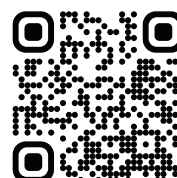
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Joint statement from The Australian Organics Recycling Association and The Australasian Bioplastics Association



The Australian Organics Recycling Association and The Australasian Bioplastics Association published a joint media statement in response to the article: Tonnes of microplastics infiltrate Australia's agricultural soils each year, study shows.

In response to recent conversations surrounding compostable packaging, The Australasian Bioplastics Association (ABA) and The Australian Organics Recycling Association (AORA) would like to highlight that any compostable packaging offered in the market must be certified compostable to ensure the suitability for disposal in the organics recycling or FOGO stream.

Compostable plastics that are tested and certified according to the Australian Standard for Commercial Composting AS4736 and for Australian Standard Home Composting to AS5810 are required to disintegrate after 12 weeks and completely biodegrade after six months. That means that 90 percent or more of the plastic material will have been converted to CO₂. The remaining share is converted into water and biomass, which no longer contains any plastic. AS4736 and AS5810 also include tests on ecotoxicity and heavy metal contents to ensure that no harmful substances are left behind.

To help individuals easily identify certified compostable products, such as caddy liners or food packaging, the ABA runs a voluntary verification program for companies or individuals seeking to have their compliance with the Australian Standard 4736-2006 and/or the Home Composting Standard AS 5810-2010 verified. The outcome of successful verification in meeting all of the requirements of the Standards under the ABA program is the opportunity to licence the use of the ABA intellectual property in the form of logos as visual confirmation.

If a bag is labelled with the below logos and license numbers – they are Certified compostable – these are clearly labelled and easily detectable in a processing facility.

[Download the full report here](#)



The Asian Packaging Federation (APF) Newsletter Issue No. 4 (October-December 2024) is now available to read.

As many of you would be aware the AIP is not only a Member of the Asian Packaging Federation, but also offers the Asian region access to a significant amount of educational training & educational programs on a regular basis, through our partnership with Informa Markets.

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Updated Complaints and Dispute Resolution Policy (AUS & NZ)

APCO have recently updated their ARL Complaints Procedure and Dispute Resolution Policy to make it easier and clearer for stakeholders to raise concerns about ARLs displayed on-pack.

As part of their on-going commitment to maintaining the integrity of the ARL Program, they welcome feedback from both Members and consumers on any labels in market that may appear inaccurate or misleading. Your input plays a vital role in ensuring the ARL remains a trusted and consistent guide for recycling across Australia and New Zealand.

Feedback can be made anonymously and will be reviewed in line with their updated policy.

To provide feedback, please use the online form available at the bottom of the arl.org.au homepage.

Soft Plastics Submission Process update (AUS only)

APCO have updated the Soft Plastics Submission Process to provide greater flexibility in assessing recyclability. Where soft plastics do not meet recyclability thresholds due to Polyamide (Nylon) content, applicants can now submit supporting evidence in lieu of testing to demonstrate the recyclability of the structure.



Conditional Criteria Apply To:

- Coextruded Films with a Tie Layer.
- High-Barrier Coextruded Films.
- Laminated Films with Adhesives.

While this update provides an assessment pathway, transitioning to mono-materials remains best practice. Innovation in sustainable packaging should continue to be a priority. Where mono-materials aren't yet a viable option, this process helps evaluate recyclability options.

[Download the policy here](#)

PREP updates table (AUS & NZ)

The table below summarises updates recently made to PREP, and where relevant, timelines for PREP report and artwork updates. Refer to the PREP update log for a historical view of all PREP updates.

Material / Format	Region	Details	Action required	Date	rer f
Soft plastics	AUS; NZ	Fixed incorrect 'hazardous' recyclability text give for assessments that did not meet thresholds.	N/A	w/c 17/3/25	N/A
Glass; Aluminium	AUS; NZ	Fixed issue where some reports were providing incorrect 'Recyclable with lost value' outcomes	Review assessments with glass and aluminium with secondary materials	18/2/25	At next artwork refresh

Aussie students place 3rd on global stage

The Australasian Institute of Packaging's support for students in their packaging design projects has paid dividends, with a record set of wins in the latest round of the WorldStar Awards, writes **Nerida Kelton**, AIP executive director.



Left: Cameron Campbell (pictured) worked with Nadia De Fazio, and Cynthia Mullaly to develop the award-winning fresh herbs concept pictured below.

and effective for transport, it fails to preserve freshness at home. Inspired by the 'wet-paper-towel' method used by chefs, the team designed a packaging solution that mimics this approach while maintaining visibility and convenience.

The pack design comprises a rigid pack structure to prevent crushing during transit and storage, and includes a plantable seed tab to encourage home gardening. On-pack communication featuring recipes and usage tips drives consumer engagement, while the paper pulp material delivers eco-conscious appeal and recyclability. It's also stackable for secondary packing efficiency.

Trials of the packaging solution showed herbs stored in the fridge remained indistinguishable from fresh store-bought herbs after five weeks.

"By embedding academic research and industry insights into the RMIT Industrial Design Studio, our students developed sustainable packaging solutions

that significantly reduce food waste. Their recognition through national and international awards showcases the impact of industry collaborations," said Dr Caroline Francis, interim associate dean of Industrial Design at RMIT.

BIO-SOUL REUSABLE SHOE BOX

UNSW Bachelor of Design student Christopher Leong created the Bio-Soul Reusable Shoe Box, earning a Silver award in the Household category.

With guidance from the AIP education team, Leong embedded the 10 Sustainable Packaging Design principles and the 2025 National Packaging Targets into his project. His focus was on sustainability, functionality, and aesthetics to transform the conventional shoe box into a reusable storage solution.

Key design features of the Bio-Soul Reusable Shoe Box include a sliding drawer and casing for easy access to stored shoes; tabs and slots for stackable storage; side and front windows to view contents without opening the box; and minimal printing and glue-free construction, ensuring

BEATING OVER 400 global entries, 42 university students from Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT), the University of New South Wales (UNSW), and Monash University have elevated Australia's standing in the prestigious WorldStar Student Awards. The students secured one Bronze overall best in show, two Silver category awards (household and food packaging), and 19 Certificates of Merit – a record-breaking year for Australian students. This achievement highlights the Australasian Institute of Packaging's (AIP) commitment to fostering the next generation of packaging professionals.

The AIP education team guided students through projects on beverage packaging for carbonated products, save food packaging, and sustainable packaging design. Students first entered the Australasian Packaging Innovation

& Design (PIDA) Student Awards, with winners then eligible for the WorldStar Student Awards.

FRESH HERBS, FRESHER PACKAGING

In an Australian first, RMIT Industrial Design students Cameron Campbell, Nadia De Fazio, and Cynthia Mullaly developed a Save Food Packaging solution that won a Bronze Overall and a Silver in the Food Packaging category.

Their project, entitled Fresh Herbs, Fresher Packaging, addressed the issue of food waste, specifically fresh herbs, which are the second most wasted food in Australia according to End Food Waste Australia. The team identified that while current herb packaging is lightweight



recyclability.

“Incorporating real-world industry insights through the AIP allowed our students to benchmark their skills against global peers. These collaborations are invaluable in nurturing professional growth and providing hands-on learning experiences,” said Miles Park, senior lecturer in Industrial Design at UNSW.

Commenting on the value of the PIDA student Awards program, Shahnaz Mansouri, course coordinator, Master of Food Science and Agribusiness, at Monash University said, “The PIDA Student Awards provided students with invaluable training, from concept development to commercialisation. Winning these awards strengthens their career prospects in the packaging industry.”

Rod Heath, general manager, Monash Food Innovation, Monash University, added, “The collaboration with the AIP gave students access to industry expertise, inspiring them to create functional and sustainable packaging solutions. The PIDA and WorldStar Student Awards serve as a stepping stone for their careers.”

ENCOURAGING STUDENT PARTICIPATION

The AIP congratulates all 42 students for their achievements. Any TAFEs, colleges, design schools, or universities across ANZ interested in participating in the 2025 round of the Australasian Packaging



“ This year’s record-breaking success highlights Australasia’s growing influence in global packaging innovation.”

Innovation & Design (PIDA) Student Awards are encouraged to contact the AIP.

These awards not only celebrate student innovation but also provide a critical bridge between academia and industry. By participating, students gain exposure to real-world challenges, develop practical skills, and build professional networks that will benefit their careers. The recognition achieved serves as a launchpad for future leaders in sustainable packaging design. With each passing year, Australia continues to strengthen its reputation as a hub for creative and environmentally responsible packaging solutions. ■

Above: The Bio-Soul Reusable Shoe Box include a sliding drawer and casing for easy access to stored shoes.

Certificates of merit for 42 students

In addition to the major award wins, 42 students from Monash University, RMIT, and UNSW earned 19 Certificates of Merit for innovative packaging concepts.

MONASH UNIVERSITY STUDENTS RECOGNISED:

- **DrinkGo:** Aman Tajta, Diajeng Chairina Daneswari Asror, Jialin Jiang, Tongyao Zhu, Ziqiao Ding.
- **Chajusu by Kohja:** Odis Lau, Wen Soug Hii, Adeline Ang, Jemima Jerrica Chen, Katherine Maruia.
- **Twist n Fizz:** Sushmitha Dosapati, Rashmitha Sharma Tanugula, Shyam Sree Harshitha Nandipalli, Abhi Shantilal Balar.
- **Zenor:** Sharvari Solanki, Ninu Sandeeka, Abhishek Satoskar, Siddhant De.

RMIT STUDENTS RECOGNISED:

- **Barilla Single Serve Multi Pack:** Nathan Phillips, Gabe Wynn-Williams, Russell Wilson.
- **Wonky Bites – Embracing Imperfections:** Vidhi Naik, Thikshani Theresa Anne Abayasekara, Xinwei (Tiffany) Chen.
- **4 Your Future – Mince Meat Packaging:** Zac Wijesinha, Jack Harman, Finlay Blakemore.

UNSW STUDENTS RECOGNISED:

- **Kleenex Pocket Pack Set of Six To Go – Redesign:** Dave Harrison Calvo Chua.
- **Sanitary Pad Packaging Design:** Celine Wong.
- **Ecostand Headphones:** Liujing Yu.
- **Paracetol – Paracetamol Packaging:** William Kirchen.
- **Split Instant Noodle Packaging:** Haotong Wong.
- **Eco-Refill – Dishwashing Liquid:** Siyun Wang.
- **Wrigley’s Extra Recyclable Chewing Gum:** Arpad Bogdan.
- **Shampoo Refillable Mono-Material Pouches:** Bowen Sze.
- **Hive Battery Pack:** Quince So.
- **Energizer 2025 Button Battery Pack V.2:** Hao Zeng.



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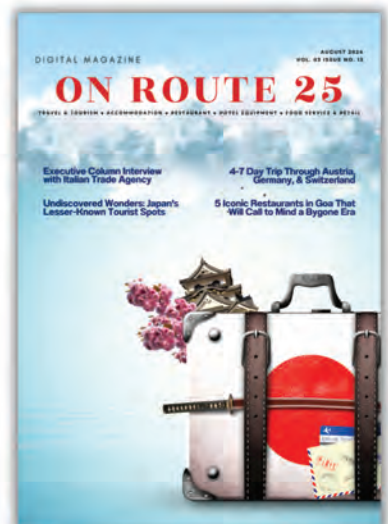
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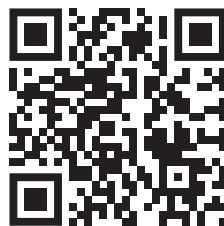
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