

2004 ANZACC NATIONAL CONFERENCE

"Three Nations – A World of Opportunity"

Energy, Technology, Trade & Investment

OCTOBER 1 – 2, 2004 HILTON AMERICAS, HOUSTON, TEXAS

1600 Lamar Street, Houston, TX, 77010

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 30

- 6:00 P.M WELCOME RECEPTION

DAY ONE - FRIDAY OCTOBER 1

- 7:30 A.M REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST
→ 8:20 A.M WELCOME & CONFERENCE OPENING

Ron Delmenico, ANZACC National President, Chicago IL.
Ambassador Michael Thawley, Australian Ambassador to USA
Ambassador John Wood, New Zealand Ambassador to USA
Greg Foley, President AACC - Houston, Houston, TX.
Geoffery Connor, Texas Secretary of State, Austin, TX.
Jim Kollaer, President and CEO, Greater Houston Partnership,
Houston, TX.

- 9:00 A.M KEY NOTE PRESENTATION

Three Nations: Common challenges and opportunities

Mike Weill, President, Operations & Technology Americas-
Australia, BHP Billiton Petroleum.

- 9:20 A.M THE ENERGY CHALLENGE

Rising Cost Of Energy – Is A Solution In Sight?

Analyzing recent global events, future energy supply and demand and an overview of alternative energy sources. The emergence of natural gas globally as a fuel of choice and its price impact on business.

Worldwide Energy Trends – Where is the Asia Pacific region headed?

David Pruner, Vice President Energy Consulting, Wood Mackenzie,
Houston, TX

Outlook for Natural Gas in the USA

Harvey Harmon, Director for Natural Gas & Petroleum
Import/Export Activities & Senior LNG Policy Advisor, DOE
Office of Fossil Energy, Washington, DC.

The Natural Gas Markets in the Pacific

David Maxwell, Director Gas & Commercial, Woodside, Perth,
Australia.

Panel Discussion

- 10:15 A.M BREAK

- 10:45 A.M AUSTRALIA AS A POTENTIAL MAJOR ENERGY TRADING PARTNER FOR NORTH AMERICA

Overview of the current situation in the USA; LNG import facilities and volumes, capital requirements and policy issues, and LNG business opportunities in the multi-billion dollar gas chain as seen by export project sponsors, contractors and importers

LNG Project Realization

David Giacalone, Associate Director, Natural Resources –
Americas, ANZ Bank, New York, NY.

Building LNG Projects: A Contractor's View

Gerald Brown, Darwin LNG Project Director, Bechtel, Darwin,
Australia
Felix de la Vega, Senior Consultant, LNG and Gas Processing,
Kellog Brown & Root, Houston, TX.
Graham Ferguson, INTEC Engineering, Houston, TX.
Bill Sember, Vice President of Energy Development, ABS,
Houston, TX.

Australian LNG Projects and North American Import Terminals

Stephen Billiot, Vice President - LNG International, BHP Billiton,
Houston, TX.
Garry Flanagan, Commercial Coordinator, Chevron Texaco,
Houston, TX.
Tom White, Partner, DKRW Energy, Houston, TX
Philip Weems, King & Spalding, Houston, TX.

Panel Discussion

- 12:15 PM LUNCHEON

Luncheon Speaker

Stanton Welch, Artistic Director, Houston Ballet

- 1:45 P.M THE ENERGY CHALLENGE {cont'd}

EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES & OPPORTUNITIES

Emerging technologies creating new opportunities for tomorrow's energy needs.

Bob Kelly, Partner, DKRW Energy, Houston, TX.
Jay Garrison, MC International Research, Houston, TX.
Bertus de Graaf, Managing Director and CEO Geodynamics Limited, Australia

➔ **2:30PM AEROSPACE & DEFENSE COOPERATION**

Regional cooperation in development of Aerospace and Defense Technologies. Australasia has been a consistent ally of the US that includes both Defense developments and Aerospace technologies. Recent examples that highlight the importance of this cooperation will be presented.

Russell Zink, Vice President Business Development, Metal Storm, Washington, DC.
John Feren, VP – Sales, Marketing and In-Service Support, 7E7 Program, Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Seattle, WA
Chris Calston, Senior Commercial Sales Manager Digital Globe, Longmont, CO.
James Burkhardt, Integrated Systems; Director / Surveillance Systems, L-3 Communications, New York, NY.

➔ **3:15 PM BREAK**

➔ **3:45 PM TOURISM**

Rise in adventure travel destinations, ecotourism, new opportunities in tourism, and government initiatives.

Gregg Anderson, Tourism NZ
Michael Londergan, Australian Tourism Commission (Invited)
Jeff Adams Go Away Travel, Las Vegas, NV.
Paul Watkins, About Australia, San Antonio, TX.

➔ **4:45 PM CLOSING REMARKS**

➔ **7:00 PM EVENING EVENT** Texas BBQ, Houston Polo Club, 8552 Memorial Drive

DAY TWO - SATURDAY OCTOBER 2

➔ **7:30 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

➔ **8:30 AM WELCOME**

Ron Delmenico, ANZACC National President, Chicago IL.

➔ **8:35 AM KEY NOTE PRESENTATION**

The global trade environment & New Zealand's trade policy agenda.

Ambassador John Wood, New Zealand Ambassador to USA

➔ **8:50 AM INVESTMENT & TRADE**

INVESTMENT

Overview of the Australian and New Zealand investment climate, new sectors versus traditional sectors, recent developments, impact of government privatization, the economic forecasts for the region, macro economic factors such as currency and interest rates and the regions growing role in Asia.

Robert Hunt, Senior Investment Commissioner, Invest Australia San Francisco, CA.

Robert Scharar, President, FCA Corp, Houston TX.
Paul Chin, Investment Relationship Manager, Barclays Global Investors, N.A., San Francisco, CA
Melissa Cameron, Investment Manager, Investment NZ, New York, NY.

➔ **10:15 AM BREAK**

➔ **10:45 AM INVESTMENT & TRADE {cont'd}**

TRADE

The Developing Trade picture between the regions, new opportunities in import and export of goods and services and the expected effect of the new United States Australia FTA.

Geoff Gray, Senior Trade Commissioner – USA, Australian Trade Commission, Washington, DC.
Karyn Murray, Trade Development Consultant, NZ Trade and Enterprise
Najla Tanous, District Counsel and International Trade Officer, US Small Business Administration, Houston, TX
Tony Stephenson, President, Barthco (invited)
Ken Stevens, CEO, Glide Path, Auckland, New Zealand

➔ **12:00 Noon LUNCHEON**

Luncheon Speaker

Australia's commercial engagement with the US and the Austrade role.

Ian Wing, Regional Director Americas, Australian Trade Commission, Los Angeles, CA.

➔ **1:45 PM INVESTMENT & TRADE cont'd**

THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

Building an understanding of the importance of relationships, support services and organizations that can assist companies with their ongoing business development or their successful entry strategies.

Ron Delmenico, ANZACC National President, Chicago IL.
Mike Cannon, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Houston, TX (invited)
Ryan Dudley, Macquarie (invited)
Linda Lee, NZ Immigration, San Francisco, CA.
Stephen Weil, Weil and Associates, Houston, TX, International Business Law.
Ed Beshara, President & CEO, Aviewtrans PA, Orlando, FL.

➔ **3:15 PM BREAK**

➔ **3:45 PM CASE STUDIES**

Interesting and relevant case studies presented by industry experts from diverse sectors outlining successes, challenges, strategies and practical advice for conducting business between our countries.

Robert McDonald, President, Old Bridge Cellars, Napa, CA.
Rob Milne, Chairman, Hooker Cockram, Australia
Peter Beare, Festival Australia, Nashville, TN.
Dave Cannington, Executive Director, ANZA Technology Network, San Francisco, CA.

➔ **4:45 PM CLOSING REMARKS**

➔ **5 - 7 PM CONFERENCE CLOSING RECEPTION**

DAY THREE - SUNDAY OCTOBER

➔ **9:00 AM – 12:00 PM ANZACC Chambers Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

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REGISTRATION FORM

First Name _____ Last Name _____
Company _____ Title _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email _____ Telephone _____
Special Dietary Requirements _____

REGISTRATION FEES (please tick relevant box)

- 2 Day Attendance, Friday and Saturday 1-2 October 2004**
US\$275 (Includes all materials, meal and all evening events) US\$ _____
- 1 Day Attendance, Friday 1 October 2004**
US\$150 (includes materials, meals, and evening event for 1 October only) US\$ _____
- 1 Day Attendance, Saturday 2 October 2004**
US\$150 (includes materials, meals and evening event for 2 October only) US\$ _____
- 2 Day Student Package**
US\$50 (includes materials only) US\$ _____
- Spouse Package, Friday and Saturday 1-2 October 2004**
US\$150 (includes museum pass, all meals and events) US\$ _____
- TOTAL FEE** US\$ _____

EVENING NETWORK EVENTS

All registrants to the conference are invited to attend a Welcome Cocktail Reception at the Hilton Americas Hotel on Thursday night, 30 September 2004. For catering purposes, please advise below if you will be attending the Welcome Cocktail Reception:

- I will attend the Welcome Cocktail Reception Thursday night 30 September 2004.**
 I will not attend the Welcome Cocktail Reception Thursday night 30 September 2004.

In addition, there will be evening networking events held on both Friday and Saturday nights. Guest tickets for all events are available at an additional cost. Please contact 281-496-3165 for more information.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Enclose personal or institutional check with registration form (made payable to AACC)

____ AMEX ____ VISA ____ MASTERCARD

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Please Fax registration to AACC Executive Director: 281-496-3165. Or send check with registration to PO Box 19727 Houston, TX 77224

ACCOMODATION INFORMATION

Registrants are responsible for their own hotel reservations. A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the 5 Star Hilton Americas Hotel (conference venue) at a discount rate of \$129/night. Make reservations at 713-739-8000 and quote booking code ANZACC to ensure this discounted rate. These rooms normally market at over \$300/night. We strongly recommend making your hotel reservations as soon as possible to take advantage of this special room rate.