

Minister celebrates a year of achievement



The Honourable Rob Swarten, Minister for Public Works, Housing and ICT in Queensland provided an entertaining and supportive opening address celebrating the achievements of the CRC for Construction Innovation at *Construction Innovation's* annual Christmas party held in Brisbane on 5 December. [More details](#)

Big audiences for FM Sydney Opera House showcase events

Some 300 leading practitioners from the facilities management (FM) attended three industry events hosted by the CRC for *Construction Innovation* in November. [More details](#)



Safety competency framework national workshops



Two further workshops have been held to launch the framework in Perth and Brisbane. [More details](#)

Soon Kam is Outstanding Young Malaysian of the Year

In November, Soon Kam was awarded as one of seven honourees for the Outstanding Young Malaysian Award 2006. [More details](#)



Researchers hit the roads



In October, the CRC for Construction Innovation sponsored a stream entitled "Roads Research into Practice" at the ARRB Conference held at the National Conference Centre, Canberra. [More details](#)

Masters degree sounds good to Derek!

Acoustic Consultant and Researcher Derek Thompson successfully completed his Masters degree in transitional soundspace in October. [More details](#)



Innovative Australian Contractors Receive Recognition

A database of Australia's most innovative contractors has been developed by the CRC for *Construction Innovation* [More details](#)

From the CEO's desk



As the year draws to a close, I would like to take the opportunity to reflect on some key achievements the CRC for *Construction Innovation* has delivered over the past 12 months.

Our links with Western Australia were significantly strengthened when we welcomed the Western Australian Government's Department of Housing and Works and Curtin University of Technology as core partners into our applied research and education program.

This brings to 21 the number of industry, government and research partners shaping the directions of *Construction Innovation* and our industry.

[More details](#)

ABCB conference 2007

The Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) will hold its next National Conference *Building Australia's Future* to be held at the Marriott Resort, Surfers Paradise from 23 - 26 September 2007.

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