



CRC Construction Innovation

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Tim Rose

CRC scholars

Construction Innovation has provided funding for scholarships to students since 2002. In this second instalment, we look back on a selection of our past scholars. This month we feature Garry Creedy, Mike Hefferan, Joanne Jakovich, David Luxmoore, Tayyab Maqsood, Tim Rose, Derek Thompson, Marcello Tonelli, and Ji Soo Yoon.

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Working towards a safer construction industry

Safety performance is a challenge for everyone in Australia's construction industry. The construction industry has an obligation to ensure the safety of workers, the public, suppliers and other participants in the construction process. Injury and death in the workplace is unacceptable, yet workplace fatalities in Australia's construction industry cost the nation \$3.6 billion each year. Add to this research showing that 20-24 year olds in the building and construction industry are four times more likely to have a fatal accident than those in other industries, and it becomes clear that safety needs to be a priority. [\(more\)](#)

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EPA invites project proposals from Queensland organisations. Draft applications for QSEIF Round 14 must be received by **24th July 2009**, with projects expected to be announced by the end of the year.

<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/qseif>

Conferences

[CINet conference](#): 4-8 September, Brisbane

[CPSISC Meeting the challenges](#): 28-29 July, Sydney

[ABCB Building Australia's Future](#): 20-23 September, Gold Coast

[AIPM](#): 11-14 October, Adelaide

From the CEO's Desk



Next Tuesday, 30 June, marks 8 years of operation for the CRC for *Construction Innovation*. While *Construction Innovation* has been formally extended to 31 December 2009, there will be limited activities continuing over the next 6 months. The focus will be on the completion of existing research projects, with the *National BIM Guidelines* being rolled out through September/October and a launch of our *Dispute Avoidance and Resolution* project on 17 November followed by a series of seminars nationally.

Though *Construction Innovation* winds-up at the end of this year, research in this space will continue. We shared the news with our partners this week that we have been able to secure a QUT commitment to provide seed funding for a new centre from 2009-10 as a transition is made to the *Sustainable Built*

[More upcoming events](#)

Environment National Research Centre. We are very grateful to QUT for their ongoing support of *Construction Innovation's* activities and providing the continuity that is needed to ensure long-term success of the research outputs.

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