

Research & Development

Dean Cipolla - CRC for Construction Innovation (QLD) Construction Safety Framework Research Project

In a traditionally competitive industry not accustomed to sharing intellectual property and working across national jurisdictions in the areas of both occupational health and safety and unions, **Dean Cipolla** lead a team the establishment of a project team drawn from industry, government and research. It was crucial that the project entailed significant liaison across all stakeholders for maximum long-term benefit to the industry.

The Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) for Construction Innovation project, 'Construction Site Safety Culture', identified a need to create a uniform set of competencies required by key personnel on construction sites in order to enhance safety performance and productivity and drive appropriate training.

The successful completion of the research project, identifying 11 key personnel and 39 competencies that form the prerequisite of a safe work environment is only the start of why this project deserves recognition. Arguably more important, is the immediate acceptance of the results by industry and government and implementation by many construction businesses only months after delivery of the final report.



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