

Safety research highlighted at CRC symposium

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THE Cooperative Research Centre for Construction Innovation is hosting a free symposium to highlight research progress and advances made in the areas of safety, innovation and integrated digital modelling.

Attendees of the one-day event, being held in Sydney on June 4, will hear from speakers including John Holland Group safety manager Dean Cipolla; CRC for Construction Innovation chief operating officer Peter Scuderi; Don Dingsdag from the University of Western Sydney; and Craig Furneaux, chief researcher on the Construction Industry Business Environment project at the Queensland University of Technology.



Topics to be covered include:

- Innovative Construction: Methods and Examples. This presentation will highlight the outcomes of the BRITE Project;
- The Construction Industry Business Environment (CIBE) Project. This
 presentation will discuss the occupational health and safety case studies
 developed as one aspect of the project;
- Safer Construction. This presentation will outline the development of a voluntary code of practice for industry to reduce accidents and injury on construction sites:
- Construction Site Safety Culture. This presentation will provide background and detail of how to develop and maintain a safety culture using the Safety Task and Competency Matrix;
- Construction Safety Competency Implementation. This presentation will discuss the development of implementation guides, which include "how to" steps for all 39 safety management tasks identified in the Safety Task and Competency Matrix;
- Safety Effectiveness Indicators. Building on research from the Construction
 Site Safety Culture project, this project will examine what safety effectiveness
 measures could be used by industry to determine the effectiveness of critical
 safety activities identified in the Construction Industry Safety Competency
 Framework; and
- Integrated Digital Modelling Program. The CRC is embarking on an 18-month program of integrated digital modelling research, broken into three distinct but related projects to improve the integration and interoperability of technology such as 3D and 4D computer aided design and other software applications.

The CRC for Construction Innovation Research Symposium is being held at Bovis Lend Lease – Level 9, The Bond, 30 Hickson Road, Millers Point, Sydney.

To register, email c.ribone@construction-innovation.info by May 28, or for more information call Lyn Pearson on (07) 3138 9295.