

Plug-in to ConTech2019

Wednesday, 19 June 2019
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On behalf of the Australian Industry Group (Ai Group) and Confectionery Sector
Technical Committee we invite you to **ConTech2019**

The annual Australasian confectionery industry technical conference

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Nigel Parsons
Commercial Director
Australia
Mondelēz International

Nigel will examine the growing role of social influence on the confectionery industry.



DINNER SPEAKER
Craig Reucassel

Craig is an Australian writer and comedian who is best known for his work with the ABC's *The Chaser* and for going through your bins on *The War on Waste*.

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ConTech2019 will appeal to a broad range of confectionery and wider food industry professionals, including those in science and food technology, new product development, research and development, regulatory, operations and management, sales and procurement, marketing, communications and corporate affairs, supply of food ingredients, machinery, packaging and services.

SPEAKERS



Kiyoshi Nakamura
Technical Advisor
Morinaga Nutritional
Foods (Asia Pacific)
JAPAN



Mark Booth
CEO
Food Standards Australia
New Zealand



Leigh Pezzicara
Head Global Sustainability
Marketing Communications &
Customer Outreach
Barry Callebaut
SWITZERLAND



Charles Fisher Principal
Lawyer
FoodLegal



Dr Nicole Papadopoulou
Senior Research Fellow/Clinical
Psychologist, Faculty of Health School
of Psychology
Deakin University



Mark Baczynski
Group Technical Manager
Manildra



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CONTECH2019 PROGRAM



THEME: *Plug-in to ConTech2019*

Dates: Wednesday, 19 June 2019
Venue: Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), East Melbourne

8.00 am Registration and Trade Exhibition Session

SESSION 1

9.00 am **A dive into the confectionery industry domestically and abroad** – Fatima Marquez, Research Analyst, Euromonitor International
9.45 am **The growing role of social influence on the confectionery industry** - Nigel Parsons, Commercial Director Australia, Mondelēz International
10.15 am **ConTech2019 and beyond** - Tim Piper, Ai Group Confectionery Sector Head
10.45 am Energy Break kindly sponsored by **MWT Foods** and Trade Exhibition Session

SESSION 2

11.15 am **The future of food regulation** - Mark Booth, Chief Executive Officer, Food Standards Australia New Zealand
11.45 am **Zeroing in on confectionery ... new regulatory risks** - Charles Fisher, Principal Lawyer, FoodLegal
12.20 pm **Food fraud – sourness in a sweet industry** – Sarah Knights, Business Development Manager, Quality Associates
12.55 pm Presentation of the **Sollich Award**
1.15 pm **Lunch** in the trade exhibition area proudly sponsored by **MPD Dairy Products**

SESSION 3

2.15 pm **Probiotics - What, why and how to use in confectionery** - Kiyoshi Nakamura, Leader - Technical Services, Morinaga Milk Industry Co (JAPAN)
2.50 pm **Renovation or innovation: their role in confectionery** – Mark Baczynski, Group Technical Manager, Manildra
3.15 pm **Sustainability as a business driver** – Leigh Pezzicara, Head of Global Sustainability Marketing, Communications & Customer Outreach, Barry Callebaut
4.00 pm Energy Break proudly sponsored by **ADM** and Trade Exhibition Session

SESSION 4

4.30 pm **The Australian Joy of Moving Program** – Dr Nicole Papadopoulos, Senior Research Fellow/Clinical Psychologist, Faculty of Health, School of Psychology, Deakin University
5.00 pm **Doing it differently in packaging** – Nina Cleeve-Edwards, Innovation Acceleration Team Manager, Nestlé Australia
5.45 pm Wrap-up
6.15 pm **Pre-dinner Drinks** proudly sponsored by **Manildra Group**
7.15 pm **ConTech Dinner** proudly sponsored by **Manildra Group**

Guest speaker: Craig Reucassel will present **A satirical view ... on everything!**