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Policy Update

LIABILITY & CONTRACTS

Limiting Liability: Consult Australia has now been provided with detailed advice on the implications of unlimited liability with reference to South Australian Treasury Guidelines requiring unlimited liability in services provided by consultants to SA public authorities.

This detailed legal advice will provide us with an additional tool to use in our negotiations across jurisdictions. Further work is required to consider in greater detail the communications strategy best employed to maximise its value. This will progress in the coming months in consultation with the Liability and Contracts Roundtable and state managers.

WORKFORCE DIVERSITY

Workforce diversity survey: The National Roundtable has released the 2013 workforce diversity survey. This is a follow-up to the first such survey held in 2011. The survey closes in July and results should be ready in late July or August.

BIM

Consult Australia and the Australian Institute of Architects formed a BIM and IPD Steering Group in mid 2011 with leading experts from architecture, engineering and construction. The first outcome from this group was the [BIM/IPD website](#), which offers practitioners in the Australian building industry an interface for receiving and exchanging information about BIM and IPD. The website contains support material and links to a variety of BIM and IPD related topics that may be useful for your practice. The purpose of this group is to provide support and to develop guiding documents for practitioners in the Australian building industry. The Steering Group has formed four Working Groups to jointly produce material that will be managed and updated via this website. The Steering Group is currently focused on 'The Business of BIM.' Current projects include both the preparation of papers and an increased focus on advocacy, as multiple clients, (government, residential and commercial developers amongst others) look to mandate BIM. The Steering Group aims, among other things, to establish common terminology used to describe various options and provide guidance for the selection of the most appropriate procurement methodology, allowing for a range of management, risk allocation, delivery and contract system options and project types, as part of the procurement strategy where BIM is incorporated within the project.





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Events....upcoming

**Professional Indemnity Insurance
FREE SESSION**

Thursday 13 June, 5pm

What is Risk Management and how important is it?

How do PI Insurance and Risk Management fit together?

The NT Division joins with Engineers Australia to invite you to a free session. Darren Pavic, Broking Manager of Bovill Risk & Insurance Consultants Pty Ltd (BRIC), will outline how professional indemnity insurance operates and the implications for consulting engineers. He will then also provide some strategies to minimize your expenditure on professional indemnity insurance and at the same time reduce your risk exposure. Additional issues to be discussed include

- ◆ Employer/Employee Liability
- ◆ Protecting your exposure when you retire.

The purpose of the presentation is to answer questions facing practicing engineers - so if you have specific questions or topics you would like addressed please email them to Darren at darrenp@bric.com.au and he will prepare a response to share with the audience at the presentation.

[Click Here](#) for registration via EA website

[Click Here for Further Details](#)

A further two member only breakfasts are in the pipeline with details to be released as they are confirmed.

Events....past

May Members Only Breakfast with The Hon Peter Chandler MLA, Minister for Lands, Planning and the Environment, Minister for Housing, Minister for Education. Lands Planning is responsible for developing strategic plans and policies for the sustainable long term use and development of land in the Northern Territory. Attendees and gained a better understanding of the Government's key objectives in this space.

New Members

Welcome to:

- **Elton Consulting**

Consult Australia represents an industry comprising some 48,000 firms across Australia, ranging from sole practitioners through to some of Australia's top 500 firms. Collectively, our industry is estimated to employ over 240,000 people, and generate combined revenue exceeding \$40 billion a year.

Are you a member yet? Contact Jan Irvine, State Manager SA/NT for further information on membership services and benefits at E: jan@consultaaustralia.com.au

Consult Australia Member Benefit spotlight

Consult Australia logo

Consult Australia is nationally and internationally recognised as a point of contact for professionally qualified firms. A major advantage of Consult Australia membership is the signal which use of the organisation's logo sends to the market of the quality of a member firm's services, and its adherence to high professional, commercial and ethical standards.





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Industry News

IPWEA International Public Works Conference, Darwin 11-15 August 2013

The Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) is bringing the premier event on the public works calendar to Darwin from 11-15 August 2013. Call Ross Moody on 0417 955 394 or email rmoody@ipwea.org.au for more details or visit www.ipwea.org.au/Darwin2013. Share your knowledge and experience! Being held for the first time in the NT, the IPWEA International Public Works Conference provides a rare event for consultants to engage with key stakeholders in the public works industry from the NT and across Australia. The conference, exhibition and associated social events provide opportunities for learning, networking and building relationships.

Division News

The new [NT Division Sponsor Package 2013/2014](#) has been released.

Our membership is corporate rather than individual, so we provide support to the entire business on issues such as risk management, contractual issues, professional indemnity insurance, workplace health and safety, procurement practices, workplace/industrial relations, client relations, marketing, education and business development.

Some of the benefits of becoming involved

- High level peer to peer networking and business relationship building
- Establishment of new business networks
- Establish and maintain brand awareness
- Maximise your marketing investment through our cost effective communication channels
- Create brand experience by participating in activities
- Communicate a commitment to the consulting profession

Sponsoring the NT Division ensures we can continue with our **successful events program**, and **speak loudly** on behalf of our members across **varied, critical advocacy issues**. If you would like further information or discuss opportunities to work with the SA Division please contact jan@consultaustalia.com.au or PH (08) 8216 1177

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