

## FUTURE OF LIVERPOOL – AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCED

A new vision for Liverpool with a transport air hub, gateway towers, a Western Sydney Music Bowl, and new community, cultural and commercial facilities won both a public vote, and judges' prize at an awards dinner hosted by industry association Consult Australia.

Five project proposals creating a new vision for the Georges River precinct were submitted by participants in the association's FutureNet Business Leaders Course.

The Hon. Andrew Constance MP, Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, announced the winner noting the importance of thought leadership from organisations such as Consult Australia. He observed that the innovation, spirit, and idealism in our young leaders was driving the heart of our business community and government.

The competition attracted nearly 2500 public votes. The winning team, Live Liverpool – Team 4, won both the public vote and overall judges' vote.

Mayor of Liverpool, Ned Mannoun, participated as one of the judges and commended the projects for the strength of their ideas:

'A city is not defined by the height of its buildings, but is defined by the breadth and depth of its vision.'

'Cities are about being global and being local. Being global in their connectivity to the world and how they grow, and also the local, the fine grained, the small little coffee shop, the way you plan your streets the way you plant your trees, this is what makes a city.'

Consult Australia Chief Executive Megan Motto heralds the competition as delivering the kind of vision Liverpool and Western Sydney deserve as future economic powerhouses for NSW, she stated:

'These are the people that will design, engineer and plan the future of our cities. All of the proposals displayed a high level of expertise from each of the young professionals, so the future is in good hands.'

'Competitions like this get people talking and it's through these conversations we begin to see what is truly possible if we aspire beyond business as usual.'

### **About the Winning Team – Live Liverpool**

The winning team was mentored by Nando Nicotra of Jacobs and consisted of:

- Alex Frolich
- David Holden
- Elizabeth McCann
- Jeremy Gibson
- Mark McGinn
- Mark Xerri
- Nicola Bailey

Theirs, and the four other project proposals, can be viewed [here](#).

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## Sample content

Full size images and videos from each proposal available on the voting pages: <http://bit.ly/FNBL2015>



## About Consult Australia

Consult Australia is the leading not-for-profit association that represents the business interests of consulting firms that design, engineer, assess and plan our built and natural environments.

We represent 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.

## About the FutureNet Business Leaders Course

Highly regarded across the industry, Consult Australia's FutureNet Business Leaders alumni are sought-after by employers and clients alike.

Through sixteen modules delivered over eight months, our FutureNet Business Leaders Course is tailored to build on existing personal strengths, develop new skills, and broaden industry networks. Combined with a high profile multi-disciplinary team project, the Course provides a once-in-a-career opportunity for participating young professionals to be part of the next generation of industry leaders.