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**SUSTAINABILITY
IN
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Network Australia

PARTNERSHIP PROSPECTUS

**UNiting Business LIVE Australia
Sustainability in Action 2026**

**13-14 May 2026
Sydney**





UN GLOBAL COMPACT NETWORK AUSTRALIA

As a special initiative of the United Nations (UN) Secretary-General, the UN Global Compact is a call to companies everywhere to align their operations and strategies with Ten Principles in the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. Our ambition is to accelerate and scale the global collective impact of business by upholding the Ten Principles and delivering the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through accountable companies and ecosystems that enable change. With more than 20,000 companies and 3,800 non-business participants based in over 160 countries, and 65 Local Networks, the UN Global Compact is the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative – one Global Compact uniting business for a better world.



HUMAN RIGHTS



LABOUR



ENVIRONMENT



ANTI-CORRUPTION



Locally, the UN Global Compact Network Australia (UNGCNA) brings together over 380 Australian participants of the UN Global Compact, including over 75 ASX listed companies, the majority of the ASX 20, and over 300 corporates, non-profits and universities. UNGCNA connects, enables and leads businesses and stakeholders to create a sustainable future by supporting businesses to act responsibly and helping them find opportunities to drive positive business outcomes.

2026 UNITING BUSINESS LIVE AUSTRALIA

Shaping the future of sustainable business in Australia

2026 UNiting Business Australia is the defining sustainability event of the year, giving leaders the opportunity to shape the future of business in Australia.

UNiting Business LIVE Australia is more than a conference — it's a platform to shape the future of sustainable business, elevate leadership, and drive systems-level change. Our objectives are designed to create meaningful outcomes for business, society, and the planet. The two-day conference will include world-renowned sustainability keynote speakers; learn and lead plenary panels and concurrent sessions for sustainability leaders and professionals; innovative networking events that foster meaningful connection; and our welcome reception.

Key objectives

- Accelerate collective impact: convene leaders across sectors to forge partnerships and align on scalable solutions that respond to Australia's most pressing sustainability challenges.
- Equip the C-Suite for 2030 and beyond: deliver executive-ready insights to support board members, CEOs, and senior decision-makers lead through uncertainty, regulatory change, and rising stakeholder expectations.
- Technical and actionable solutions: support leadership activities for sustainability professionals in alignment with the United Nations Global Compact's Ten Principles and the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), providing technical knowledge, benchmarks, ambitious goals and operational strategies for implementing cutting-edge sustainability practices.
- Champion future leadership: invest in the next generation by building pathways for emerging sustainability leaders to lead, learn and connect.
- Drive real-world outcomes: through the conference pillars – Lead, Learn, Connect – UNiting Business LIVE Australia is structured to drive tangible action, collaboration, and policy influence in the lead-up to COP31, with a distinctly Australian perspective.

Conference

 Wednesday 13 May 2026, 12.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 14 May 2026, 8.30am - 4.30pm

 Doltone House Jones Bay Wharf
Piers 19-21, 26/32 Pirrama Rd, Pyrmont NSW

Welcome Reception

 Wednesday 13 May 2026, 5.00pm - 7.00pm

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 www.unglobalcompact.org.au/conference/uniting-business-live-australia-2026/





2026 CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Who attends

- Corporate decision-makers: sustainability executives, board members, C-suite leaders, investors, and senior managers from across sectors.
- Expert ecosystem: environmental, social and governance (ESG) specialists from government, academia, advocacy, business associations, and not-for-profits.
- Next-generation talent: emerging leaders and future change-makers committed to driving impact.
- UNGCNA community: delegates from over 380 participating organisations spanning Australia's top companies.

Topics

- Sustainability leadership in a shifting political landscape
- Global net-zero and nature-positive transitions
- Movements in sustainability reporting
- Greenwashing, greenhushing and sustainability governance
- Co-leadership, co-benefits and meaningful First Nations' engagement
- Intersections of tech and AI for sustainability
- Risk and resilience for all areas of the business
- A just and equitable transition for the private sector.

Why attend

- Solutions-focused content: actionable insights on net-zero, nature-positive outcomes, human rights and governance from independent global and local experts.
- Curated for impact: sessions aligned by career focus and conference pillars — Lead, Learn, Connect — so every delegate gets high-value, tailored content.
- Boardroom-ready intelligence: exclusive, invitation-only forums for board members and executives to build the foresight, fluency, and networks needed to lead through volatility.
- Candid conversations with industry leaders where they unpack mistakes and outline the battles they fought to instil sustainable practices.
- A front-row seat to 2026's global sustainability debates: Engage with policy and market-shaping conversations on the road to COP31, through a uniquely Australian lens.
- A launchpad for future leaders: Build knowledge, confidence, and connections across the UN Global Compact's ESG workstreams and leadership community.

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia provides a unique opportunity to be part of a defining moment in corporate sustainability in Australia. Make your business known in the sustainability industry by becoming an event partner.

Sponsoring this event is an exclusive opportunity to support important conversations progressing sustainable development in Australia, and partner with the UNGCNA in an authentic and scalable way, whether you have something to say, show or support.

As well as benefiting from exposure and association with the UNGCNA brand across our platforms and with our participant network, we'll work with you to co-create relevant sponsorship opportunities showcasing your relevant programs or partnerships to engaged audiences.

UNiting Business LIVE Australia's sponsorship packages have been developed to be collaborative and clearly define ROI at a time when budgets are tight, but sustainability is more important than ever.

To discuss how becoming an event partner can benefit your business and support your business objectives, please contact Emilia Maubach on +61 419 305 884 or Moragh Blyth on +61 412 616 324 or email partnerships@UNglobalcompact.org.au.

Why sponsor?

- Brand positioning: demonstrate the value that your company puts on operating as a sustainable and responsible business, showcase your support for UN goals and global sustainability standards through association with the UNGCNA brand.
- Support emerging thought leadership: an exclusive opportunity to support important conversations progressing sustainable development in Australia including across climate, governance, human rights, and social impact.
- Authenticity and scalability: the opportunity to partner with UN Global Compact Network Australia in an authentic and scalable way, whether you have something to say, show, or support.
- Participant network: reach a network of over 500 delegates and 380+ participating organisations of the UN Global Compact Network Australia, including ASX200 companies, mid-tier enterprises, SMEs, investors, and government.
- Co-create experiences: co-create meaningful sponsorship experiences aligned with your sustainability goals — whether it's showcasing innovation, launching a new initiative or amplifying a successful program or partnership.



PARTNER PACKAGES AT A GLANCE

There are many ways to support and promote your brand by becoming a partner of UNiting Business LIVE Australia. The packages include top-tier, program, event and networking function partnerships.

All packages can be tailored to align with your marketing or business objectives. Details of our sponsorship packages are included in this prospectus, however organisations interested in top-tier sponsorship should contact our partnership team directly.

Top tier partners	Principal	Exclusive (cross-event)	Call to discuss	
	Major	Limited availability (cross-event)		
To discuss one of these bespoke partnerships, please contact Emilia Maubach on +61 419 305 884 or Moragh Blyth on +61 412 616 324 or email partnerships@UNglobalcompact.org.au .				
Program partners	Keynote speaker partner	Limited availability	\$20,000+	Page 7
	Plenary panel partner	Limited availability	\$16,000	Page 7
	Concurrent sessions partner	Limited availability	\$14,000	Page 7
	Fireside chat partner	Limited availability	\$10,500	Page 7
Event and networking partners	Leadership dinner partner	Exclusive	\$38,000	Page 8
	Welcome cocktail evening partner	Exclusive	\$30,000	Page 9
	Connect lounge partner	Exclusive	\$20,000	Page 10
	Catering partner	2 available	\$15,000 / \$8,000	Page 10
	App partner	Exclusive	\$12,000	Page 10
	Sustainable Development Goals partner	17 available	\$2,000	Page 11

All rates quoted are in Australian dollars and exclude GST

Keynote partner

\$20,000 exc. GST

Limited availability

As a Keynote Partner, you will receive a unique opportunity to support an agenda-setting moment. High profile speakers will deliver keynote addresses in a plenary setting.

Concurrent session partner

\$14,000 exc. GST

Limited availability

Concurrent sessions are streamed by the event pillars (Lead, Learn, Connect) and job focuses to help delegates gain maximum value from attendance, whether they are a sustainability leader, C-Suite, board member or future and emerging sustainability leader.

Plenary panel partner

\$16,000 exc. GST

Limited availability

Industry leaders and experts will discuss technical and actionable solutions to challenges at the intersection of net zero, nature positive, human rights and governance from independent, international experts. (45min sessions with 15min Q&A)

Fireside chat partner

\$10,500 exc. GST

Limited availability

A fireside chat is similar to a panel, but more informal involving an interviewer and one (or two) interviewed experts to deep dive on a pre-determined topic.

Candid conversations with industry leaders who will unpack successes and mistakes and outline the battles they fought to instil sustainable practices. (30-45min sessions with optional 10-15min Q&A)

Multiple Program Partnerships are available

- Exclusive partnership of your program segment (keynote speaker, plenary panel, concurrent session, fireside chat).
- Speakers are chosen by the UNGCNA.

Registration

- Two (2) full delegate registrations

Verbal Acknowledgement

- Verbal acknowledgment as the program partner at the commencement of the session by the MC.

Marketing and Branding

- Logo acknowledgement on the slide deck during your session.
- Company name displayed on the official partner media board.
- Pre-event promotion.

Details of benefits are listed on page 12.

Leadership dinner partner



\$38,000 exc. GST

Exclusive opportunity

The invitation-only Leadership Dinner will bring together executives, board members, and key investors in an exclusive setting over a two-course meal at Jones Bay Wharf.

Exclusivity

- Exclusivity as the only Leadership dinner partner of 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia.

Registration

- Two (2) full delegate registrations.
- Five (5) tickets to Annual Dinner.

Verbal Acknowledgement

- Verbal acknowledgement as the Leadership dinner partner in the speech by UNGCNA Chair.

Marketing and Branding

- Company name displayed as the Leadership dinner partner on the official partner media board.
- Opportunity to display two pull up banners, subject to approval by UNGCNA and the venue. Partner to supply, assemble & dismantle.
- Pre-event promotion.

Details of registration inclusions and other benefits are listed on page 12.



Welcome cocktail function partner

\$30,000 exc. GST

Exclusive opportunity

Held on the first evening, the welcome cocktail function, offers a fantastic networking opportunity for attendees to connect after the opening of the conference. The evening will feature canapés, beverages upon arrival and photography opportunities while guests have the opportunity to connect at the stunning Jones Bay Wharf with picturesque water views.

Exclusivity

- Exclusivity as the only cocktail evening partner of 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia.

Registration

- Two (2) full delegate registrations.
- Two (2) tickets to the Leadership Dinner.

Verbal Acknowledgement

- Verbal acknowledgement as the cocktail evening partner by MC.

Marketing and Branding

- Company name displayed as the cocktail evening partner on the official partner media board.
- Opportunity to display two pull up banners, subject to approval by UNGCNA and the venue. Partner to supply, assemble & dismantle.
- Pre-event promotion.

Details of registration inclusions and other benefits are listed on page 12.



Connect lounge partner

\$20,000 exc. GST for two days Exclusive opportunity

The Connect Lounge Partner has the exclusive opportunity to brand the Connect Lounge area where delegates can get a barista-made drink and network for both days of the event.

Exclusivity

- Exclusivity as the only Connect Lounge partner at 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia.

Marketing and Branding

- Opportunity to provide branded napkins, aprons and/or caps for the baristas to wear onsite for your assigned day of partnership of the event. Partner to supply and subject to approval by UNGCNA and the venue.

App partner

\$12,000 exc. GST Exclusive opportunity

The App Partner will provide the platform for UNiting Business delegates to access key event information, including sponsors, speakers, agenda and more. Every delegate will be encouraged to download the app and use it throughout the conference.

Exclusivity

- Exclusivity as the only App partner of 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia.

Digital Marketing

- Logo acknowledgement as the App partner prominently displayed on the 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia App.

Registration

- One (1) full delegate registrations.

Verbal Acknowledgement

- Verbal acknowledgment in the speech by the MC.

Catering partner

\$15,000 exc. GST for two days

\$8,000 exc. GST for one day

The catering partnership includes morning-tea, lunch and afternoon-tea for all delegates during the event on Wednesday 13 and/or Thursday 14 May.

Two (2) partnership opportunities available.

Exclusivity

- Exclusivity as the only catering partner of your assigned day(s) at 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia.

Marketing and Branding

- Company name displayed on the official partner media board.
- Opportunity to display two pull up banners in the designated area, subject to approval by UNGCNA and the venue. Partner to supply, display and pack up the pull up banners.
- Pre-event promotion

Details of benefits are listed on page 12.

Sustainable Development Goals partner

\$2,000 exc. GST

17 available

This year, UNGCNA is inviting organisations to sponsor one of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. Organisations can sponsor and showcase the SDGs that they are focussed on addressing in their business operations. (SMEs only)

- [SDG 1](#) No poverty
- [SDG 2](#) Zero hunger
- [SDG 3](#) Good health and well-being
- [SDG 4](#) Quality education
- [SDG 5](#) Gender equality
- [SDG 6](#) Clean water and sanitation
- [SDG 7](#) Affordable and clean energy
- [SDG 8](#) Decent work and economic growth
- [SDG 9](#) Industry, innovation and infrastructure
- [SDG 10](#) Reduced inequalities
- [SDG 11](#) Sustainable cities and communities
- [SDG 12](#) Responsible consumption and production
- [SDG 13](#) Climate action
- [SDG 14](#) Life below water
- [SDG 15](#) Life on land
- [SDG 16](#) Peace, justice, and strong institutions
- [SDG 17](#) Partnerships for the goals

Marketing and Branding

- Logo displayed on the official partner media board.

Digital Marketing

- Logo, hyperlink, and corporate information displayed on your dedicated partner page within the 2026 Uniting Business LIVE Australia App.
- Partner social media tile provided by UNGCNA for the partner to promote on their own channels.
- Pre-event promotion.



BENEFITS FOR ALL PARTNERSHIPS

All partnerships receive the following benefits:



Marketing and Branding

- Logo displayed on the official partner media board
- UN Global Compact Network Australia offers a comprehensive marketing and communications plan to promote 2026 UNiting Business Australia to its existing network and beyond.



Digital Marketing

- Acknowledgement with logo displayed on the 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia website.
- Logo, hyperlink, and corporate information displayed on your dedicated partner page within the 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia App.
- Logo acknowledgement on 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia e-newsletters within the partner section distributed to approximately 10,000+ industry contacts.
- Partner social media tile provided by UNGCNA for the partner to promote on their own channels.



Data Access

- Electronic copy of the delegate list will be provided one (1) month before, two (2) weeks before and one (1) week post the event (name, position, organisation, country and state), subject to Australian Privacy Laws.



Personnel

- Partners have the opportunity to provide volunteering opportunities for staff at the event for wayfinding, welcoming etc.



Note: Full Delegate Registration includes access to all conference sessions and access to daily catering.



PRE-EVENT PROMOTION

UN Global Compact Network Australia offers a comprehensive marketing and communications plan to promote 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia to its existing network and beyond.

Marketing and promotional opportunities include:



Electronic Direct Mails (EDMs): sent to a curated and engaged email database of 380+ organisations who are UN Global Compact Network Australia members.



Direct engagement: to promote the event through email database of 10,000+ subscribers.



Advertising: in conjunction with our media partners, 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia will be promoted in their printed and online magazines.



Social media: utilising LinkedIn, Instagram and YouTube



Website: partner logos are displayed prominently on the 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia website homepage, including a dedicated partner section on the webpage, with their logo, URL and company profile.



Media partnerships: UN Global Compact Network Australia works with key industry publications to promote the conference and its partners through advertisements, editorials, e-newsletters, and online banner ads encouraging registration.



Promotion: our PR agency can provide their expertise to promote 2026 UNiting Business Australia and our top tier partners.

If your team is working on an exciting new initiative, consider launching it at 2026 UNiting Business LIVE Australia to connect with our high calibre industry network.

PAST SPEAKERS INCLUDE



Sanda Ojiambo
Assistant Secretary-General
and CEO,
United Nations Global Compact



The Hon Tanya Plibersek MP
Minister of Environment and
Water, Department of climate
Change, Energy, The Environment
and Water (DCCEEW)



Paul Polman
Business Leader,
Campaigner, Co-author of
Net Positive



Christine Holgate
Group Chief Executive
Officer, Team Global
Express



Fiona Reynolds
Chair, UN Global
Compact Network
Australia



Professor Deen Sanders
OAM
Lead Partner,
Deloitte: Integrity



Dr Terri Janke
Owner and Solicitor Director,
Terri Janke and Company



Debby Blakey
CEO,
HESTA



Phillip Austin
CEO, CHEP Asia-Pacific and IMETA
(India, Middle East, Türkiye and
Africa), Brambles



The Hon Matt Kean
Chair,
Climate Change Authority



Dr Catriona Wallace
Founder, Responsible Metaverse
Alliance; Chair, Boab AI Venture
Capital Fund; Shark, Shark Tank
Australia



Louise Davidson AM
CEO, Australian Council
of Superannuation
Investors



Dr Larry Marshall
FF, FAICD, FAIP, FTSE
Chairman, American Chamber
of Commerce; Board
Member, Fortescue



Alison Rowe
Global Chief Executive
Officer, Edge Impact



Jim Giannopoulos
CEO, GHD



Adam Davids
Managing Partner, First
Nations Equity Partners



Sara King
GM Purpose,
Intrepid Travel



Sharan Burrow AC
Advisory Council, University
of Melbourne Climate
Futures; Visiting Professor in
Practice, London School of
Economics



Jack Holden
GM Sustainability – Global
Markets, Fonterra



Kate Temby
Head of Sustainability Strategies
Group, Chair Sustainable Investment
Council, Head of Australia, MetLife
Investment Management

PAST EVENTS

UNiting Business LIVE Australia: Sustainability in Action 2024

UNiting Business LIVE Australia' conference took place on 30-31 October 2024 in Sydney at Jones Bay Wharf. The event was a major success, attracting positive feedback from delegates, speakers, and partners. UNiting Business LIVE Australia united global and local business leaders, changemakers and world-renowned sustainability champions to move beyond sustainability pledges and provide tangible, actionable solutions. The event featured two days of panel discussions, breakout sessions and networking opportunities with local and global leaders from business, government, civil society and academia.

Conference highlights

500+ Delegates

18 Partners

72 Speakers



Keynote speakers:

- Sanda Ojiambo, Assistant Secretary-General and CEO, United Nations Global Compact
- The Hon Tanya Plibersek MP, Former Minister for Environment and Water, Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
- The Hon Matt Kean, Chair, Climate Change Authority



Sessions highly rated by delegates. Most valuable for attendees (determined by most mentioned in feedback): topic relevance, industry insights, quality of thought leadership, networking opportunities, and diversity of insights and perspectives



96.87% rated the forum as moderately, considerably and extremely valuable



Connecting and networking with likeminded professionals and enablers was the most valuable aspect



700,000+ reach and **3,200+** engagements across social media platforms.

▶ Click here to see the [Forward Faster](#) video

▶ Click here to see the [2024 Highlights](#) video.

““It was, without a doubt, one of the best conferences I’ve attended for many years in terms of the speakers and sessions, the networking and conversations, and the energy and inspiration.””

“Such a first class event with outstanding speakers who were ‘polished’, on point, and gave us food for thought. Deep and uplifting at the same time underscored by calls to action, I was touched by the heart and soul of your close, interconnected community.””

DELEGATE COMMENTS

Annual Dinner 2024

The UNGCNA Annual Dinner attracted over 180 attendees and was held on the closing evening of the conference at Darling Island. There was a fireside chat between Sanda Ojiambo, Assistant Secretary General, United Nations; CEO, UN Global Compact, Dr Evan Center, Senior Manager, Environment and Climate Change, UN Global Compact Network Australia and Jas Chambers, Chair and Cofounder, Ocean Decade Australia. The Annual Dinner provided an opportunity for business, government and civil society leaders to share what a sustainable future looks like for Australia.



HOW TO APPLY

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Contact our Partnerships team:

E: partnerships@UNglobalcompact.org.au

T: +61 419 305 884 (Emilia Maubach)

T: +61 412 616 324 (Moragh Blyth)

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Our Partnerships team will review your application.

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After payment is received, the partner will be contacted with confirmation and account manager for activation.

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