Join emerging engineering talents and senior executive leaders for the high-calibre networking event: The Centenary Executive Breakfast.

6.45am - 9.00am | Friday 21 June 2019
Brisbane City Hall
64 Adelaide Street, Brisbane City, QLD 4000

In celebration of Engineers Australia’s Centenary year, we are bringing together emerging professionals and senior executive leaders over breakfast to discuss the Past, Present, and Future of engineering.

This will be a morning of informative discussion, keynote speeches, great food, and networking at one of Brisbane’s most iconic venues.

Over the course of the morning, you’ll hear from our marquee speakers: Gavin Blakey, Todd Battley, and Merryn York; Each of whom will take us through the themes of Past, Present and Future, reflecting on their past experiences and predictions for the future of our industry.

Young and emerging engineers will have the opportunity to sit with and ask questions to our most established senior executives, who will be spread across the room with a minimum of two allocated to each table.

Dedicated networking time is also set aside during the morning’s festivities.

We recommend locking in your seats early though, as spots have filled fast in past instalments.

The Centenary Executive Breakfast is hosted by Young Engineers Australia Queensland and the College of Leadership and Management.

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Introducing your keynote speakers.

Gavin Blakey OAM  
FIEAust CPEng APEC Engineer IntPE(Aus)  
Chair of Board, Engineers Without Borders Australia

Gavin’s engineering career has spanned private enterprise, local government and the not-for-profit sector.

During his time in engineering consultancy, Gavin was responsible for civil and geotechnical engineering investigation, design and construction.

Gavin also has a host of experience in government roles at a local level, undertaking tasks such as geotechnical engineering, flood management, sustainable water use, planning, budget management, business development and strategic asset management.

Aside from being the first Australian to be International President of Toastmasters International, Gavin was the recipient of the Order of Australia Medal in 2004 for his contributions to communication and leadership development throughout the world, in particular through his work with Toastmasters International.

Merryn York  
FIEAust CPEng NER APEC Engineer IntPE(Aus)  
Chief Executive, Powerlink Queensland

Merryn has more than 25 years’ experience in the Queensland electricity industry, 16 of which have been spent in senior leadership positions. An Electrical Engineer by profession, Merryn has worked in all facets of transmission network service delivery including asset management, regulation, capital investment and governance, customer engagement and business development, and network planning and performance.

As Chief Executive of Powerlink Queensland since 2011, Merryn is leading the business in its transformation to align with the changing external environment and better meet customer and shareholder expectations.

Merryn is a Board Member of Energy Networks Australia (ENA), and also Chairs the ENA Policy and Strategy Committee.

Todd Battley  
FIEAust CPEng EngExec NER APEC Engineer IntPE(Aus)  
Chief Executive, AECOM

Assuming the position of Chief Executive in 2017, Todd leads a team of over 3,500 designers, engineers, planners, scientists, and project managers in over 20 offices across Australia and New Zealand.

The traditional engineering consulting firm he joined as a James Cook University civil engineering graduate in 1996 has changed significantly, during which time he held a number of senior leadership roles including Managing Director for the Northern & Western Australia region with responsibility for Queensland, West Australia and the Northern Territory.

Todd’s relentless focus on staff and client service excellence has enabled him to build a resilient and dynamic business, riding the highs and lows of the resource driven markets of Northern Australia.

Most recently, Todd has led the cultural change that has made flexible work the norm at AECOM and speaks regularly as a male champion of change to improve diversity and inclusion in the sector.