



Vital issues at ABDE

There are more than just great business opportunities on the floor at the Australian Business Development Exhibition – there is the chance to take the floor.

A major part of the event is the on-stage debate program and the closed session seminar series. Getting to the heart of issues vital to business development is the aim of the Australian Business Development Exhibition (ABDE) Seminar and Stage Program. On stage, day one, will feature a debate that aims to clear the air on Barriers To Business. The debate will enable audience participation as it wrestles with the problems that confront developing businesses – and offers some insights from senior business leaders, entrepreneurs and relevant government officials, including the Australian Taxation Office.

Day two of ABDE sees a prime debate that encompasses 360-degrees of views on the current industrial reform environment: Workplace Relations. Industry leaders, employers, educators, government and union officials will gather to round out the debate on this most critical of issues. There may be some heated moments in store during the debate, but it is sure to be tempered by opinions from some of the coolest heads in the business world.

The great advantage of on-stage debates at ABDE is that they allow immediate feedback from the greater business community and encourage a co-operative attitudes to such issues. Audience participation is a unique opportunity at ABDE.

Running the on-stage program and adjudicating the debate is experienced MC and former television news and current affairs journalist, Samantha Kume. She brings an organised, businesslike air to such events and is sure to elicit some fascinating perspectives on these issues from participants.