



## Events Calendar

WELCOME to the **BEN** events calendar.

If you have an upcoming event you'd like us to feature, email [info@businesseventsnews.com.au](mailto:info@businesseventsnews.com.au)

### 9 FEB

Gold Coast Connect Brisbane; Grand Ballroom, Hotel Grand Chancellor Brisbane; to RSVP see [goldcoast.simpleviewinc.com](http://goldcoast.simpleviewinc.com)

### 21-22 FEB

AIME 2017; Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre; for more info visit [www.aime.com.au](http://www.aime.com.au)

### 6 MAR

DMS Connect; Ivy Ballroom, Sydney; for details see [www.destinationmarketing.com.au](http://www.destinationmarketing.com.au)

### 7 MAR

DMS Connect; Park Hyatt Melbourne; for details see [www.destinationmarketing.com.au](http://www.destinationmarketing.com.au)

### 8-12 MAR

ITB 2017; Messe Berlin ExpoCenter City; for more info visit: [www.itb-berlin.de](http://www.itb-berlin.de)

### 9 MAR

DMS Connect; The Maritime Room, Auckland; for details see [www.destinationmarketing.com.au](http://www.destinationmarketing.com.au)

### 30 APR - 2 MAY

MEA Conference; International Convention Centre Sydney (ICC); for more info see: [www.meetingevents.com.au](http://www.meetingevents.com.au)

### 14-18 MAY

ATE 2017; International Convention Centre Sydney (ICC); details at: [www.tradeevents.australia.com](http://www.tradeevents.australia.com)

## AIME SAXTON LINEUP

A **PANEL** of industry experts will take the stage at the upcoming Asia-Pacific Incentives and Meetings Expo (AIME).

The Saxton Up Close and Personal sessions, which feature panel guests Chris Riddell, Marita Cheng, Dr Catherine Ball and Brad Howarth, are filling up fast, says AIME event director Ian Wainwright.

"We are excited to offer such a diverse range of speakers for our 25th anniversary to truly

make this year a spectacular event," said Wainwright.

Other sessions include Global Success in Media and Music (21 Feb 1:15pm), Mindfulness... why all the hype? (21 Feb 3pm), The Cutting Edge Workplace (22 Feb 11am), and From Little Things Big Things Grow (22 Feb 1:15pm).

To see the full schedule of speakers and topics available, visit [aime.com.au/KnowledgeSessions](http://aime.com.au/KnowledgeSessions).

## MEA kicks off year with a bang



**MEETINGS & Events Australia's (MEA)** first event this year was deemed a success by the group's ceo Robyn Johnson.

Johnson outlined some of the organisation's big plans for this year, as guests enjoyed delectable canapes, refreshing cocktails and freshly shucked oysters.

The next set of MEA events will be held in SA and Vic.

## Eventhouse launches in Cronulla

**THE** Rydges Cronulla has transformed into Eventhouse Cronulla, Sydney's newest boutique hotel brand.

It comprises 84-rooms and suites and offers complimentary wi-fi and coffee pod machines in each room.

The hotel also offers a flexible conference level overlooking the outdoor pool and can accommodate up to 175 guests.

Visit [www.eventhouse.com](http://www.eventhouse.com) for more information.



Each month Business Manager for inPlace Recruitment, **Ben Carnegie**, writes his observations from the recruiter's perspective to help job hunters find the perfect job. Ben has over 15 years working in five-star hotels and the MICE industry and has worked on some of Australia's biggest events.

### Are you ready?

2017 is looking likely to be a year of change across the industry. The past two years have seen many people with their heads down, working away on their strategic plans, getting runs on the board and due to this, never allowing for the time to see what potential opportunities may be out there. If things continue as they are, that is all about to change. But before that happens you do need to be ready. Dust off the CV, update it with all the achievements you've had recently so that when the right role comes, you are ready to pounce. The best jobs disappear very quickly and in the time it takes to update your CV, your dream job may already be gone. This year so far has been unique in that there is movement from frontline to senior executive roles. Your dream job may be here sooner than you think!



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