Curtin University

WEST TECH WA FEST

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2017 EVENT PROGRAM

ENTREPRENEURS / TECH / STARTUPS / CREATIVITY / INNOVATION

08.00	**GUESTS ARRIVE**
08.30 – 08.50	**MORNING MC:** Rohan McDougall, Director Commercialisation, Curtin University **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS** Professor Deborah Terry AO, Vice Chancellor, Curtin University Dr Jemma Green, Acting Lord Mayor City of Perth, Chair and Co-Founder Power Ledger Hon. Dave Kelly MLA, Minister for Water, Fisheries, Forestry, Innovation and ICT, Science
08.50 – 09.20	**KEYNOTE** Erick Miller, Founder & CEO CoinCircle, Founder Hyperseed Ventures
09.20 – 09.50	**KEYNOTE** Paul Herz, Director Manufacturing Operations & Quality @ Building 8, Facebook
09.50 – 10.30	**PANEL DISCUSSION:** **People and Machines – How Devices Have and Will Change the Way We Work and Play** **MODERATOR:** Alan Jones, Entrepreneur in Residence BlueChilli, Entrepreneur in Residence KPMG **PANELISTS:** Alison Barnes, Adviser, Robotics and Cognitive Science, Lead Engineer, Woodside Paul Herz, Director Manufacturing Operations & Quality @ Building 8, Facebook Erick Miller, Founder & CEO CoinCircle, Founder Hyperseed Ventures Jennifer Reyes, Director of Operations, VROC Artificial Intelligence
10.30 – 10.50	**MORNING TEA**
10.50 – 11.00	**ADDRESS** **The United States: Australia's Ally in Innovating for the 21st Century** Chargé d'Affaires James Carouso, Acting US Ambassador to Australia

11.00 – 11.40	**PANEL DISCUSSION** **Venturing Beyond Capital – Role of VC in Building Tech Ecosystems and Influencing Culture** **MODERATOR:** Andrea Gardiner, Founder, Jelix Ventures **PANELISTS:** Rick Baker, Investment Director, Blackbird Ventures Atlanta Daniels, Investment Director, Blue Sky Venture Capital Richard Horton, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs AU & US Elicia McDonald, Investment Associate, AirTree Ventures
11.40 – 12.20	**PANEL DISCUSSION** **Blockchanging Society - How Blockchain Technology can be Applied to Solve Global Humanitarian, Identity and Climate Challenges** **MODERATOR:** Michael Casey, Senior Advisor, MIT Media Lab Digital Currency Initiative, Chairman, CoinDesk **PANELISTS:** Mariana Dahan, CEO, World Identity Network Jemma Green, Chair and Co-Founder Power Ledger, Acting Lord Mayor City of Perth Erick Miller, Founder & CEO CoinCircle, Founder Hyperseed Ventures Bill Tai, VC Charles River Ventures, Board Member Bitfury Group, Founder ACTAI, Co-Founder West Tech Fest & XTC
12.20 – 13.20	**LUNCH IN THE EXHIBITION VILLAGE**
13.20	**AFTERNOON MC:** Larry Lopez, Director of Accelerating Commercialisation, Department of Industry, Innovation and Science, Chair West Tech Fest
13.20 – 13.30	**PRESENTATION:** **Chasing Fireballs in the Sky** Renae Sayers, Engagement Lead, Curtin Planetary Science, NASA Solar System Exploration Research Virtual Institute, Australia Node
13.30 – 14.10	**PANEL DISCUSSION** **Perth Tech Boom or Bust? Getting Startups to Growth or Exit** **MODERATOR:** Bonnie Lin, International Growth & Innovation Strategist, B2 Rainmakers **PANELISTS:** Claire McGregor, Co-founder & Head of Growth, Appbot Geoff Pritchard, Executive Chairman, Go Cap Kirsten Rose, Head of Low Emissions Technology, BHP Billiton Marcus Tan, CEO & Medical Director at HealthEngine, Angel Investor, Professional Company Director
14.10 – 14.40	**KEYNOTE** Stephanie Hannon, Executive in Residence, Greylock Partners

14.40 – 15.20	**PANEL DISCUSSION** **Built for Scale - Building Brand and Product Beyond Your Borders** **MODERATOR:** Brendan Yell, Director, Community Development APAC, SendGrid **PANELISTS:** Ben Cooper, Managing Director, Tricky Jigsaw Stephanie Hannon, Executive in Residence, Greylock Partners Rachael Neumann, Mentor, Investor & Strategic Advisor Early Stage Startups Amanda Price, Head of High Growth Ventures, KPMG
15.20 – 15.40	**AFTERNOON TEA**
15.40 – 15.45	**ANNOUNCEMENT OF STUDENT AWARDS** Jeremy Chetty, Co-Founder, StudentEdge
15.45 – 16.25	**WTF 5 FINALIST PITCHING**
16.25 – 16.30	**CLOSING REMARKS**
16.45 - 19.30	**AFTER PARTY HOSTED BY CITY OF PERTH AT COUNCIL HOUSE**
17.40 – 18.00	**WEST TECH FEST PRIZES AND WINNERS ANNOUNCED**
19.30	**EVENT CONCLUDES**