

# 7<sup>th</sup> Drill & Blast Down Under

8th & 9th November 2023 The Star Gold Coast

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# Introduction from the ISEE Australia Chapter....

The International Society of Explosives Engineers (ISEE) are proud to present the "7th Drill & Blast Down Under 2023" on the 8th & 9th of November 2023 at The Star Gold Coast in Queensland.

Get your surfboards and sunscreen out (not during the technical sessions though) as we are heading to paradise for the 2023 conference. We received a record 40+ topic abstract submissions this year. The technical program committee narrowed them down to the top 21 topics and we are very confident we are providing the best program to date.



### Exhibition spaces and sponsorships are selling quickly. Please contact conference@iseeaustralia.org for more information

# **Conference Agenda**

### Tuesday 7th November: 4:00pm - ISEE AGM & 5:30pm - Welcome Function

Day 1: Wednesday 8th November 2023	Day 2: Thursday 9th November 2023
7.00am - Exhibitor Set up	8.00am - Registration Open
8.00am – <b>Registration</b>	8.30am - Keynote Speaker, Technical Session 5
8.50am - Welcoming Address	9.00am - Technical Session 6
9.00am – Keynote Speaker Technical Session 1	10.30am - Morning Tea
10.30am - Morning Tea and Exhibition Open	11.00am - Technical Session 7
11.00am - Technical Session 2	12.30pm - Closing Remarks
12.30pm - <b>Lunch</b>	12.45pm - <b>Lunch</b>
1.30pm - Technical Session 3	1.30pm - Technical Session 8
3.00pm - Afternoon Tea	3.00pm - Afternoon Tea
3.30pm - Technical Session 4	3.30pm - Technical Session 9 and Exhibition Close
4.45pm - Happy Hour	5.00pm - Conference Close
5.45pm - Conference Area Close	5:15pm – <b>Farewell Drinks</b>
6.30pm - Conference Dinner is Poolside	6:30pm - Emerging Professionals Event (Dinner and Drinks)

# **Conference Registration Information**

Please register for this event online using Eventbrite: **ONLINE BOOKING** or copy and paste this URL: *https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/7th-annual-isee-australia-conference-2023-tickets-669166865107* 

Eventbrite issues a tax invoice. If you require an additional accounting assistance, please email the ISEE Treasurer treasurer@iseeaustralia.org

ISEE Member - \$450 (current membership number required) ISEE Non - Member - \$700

ISEE Society Associate Membership is US\$150 and Full Membership is US\$115. To pay the member rate for the conference, complete the ISEE member application at https://isee.org/membership-application and use your membership number for the discounted conference rate (it will take up to 5 business days to receive your ISEE membership number).

When you sign up, nominate Australia as your chapter and you are automatically signed up as an ISEE Australian member for free on the Australian Chapter website at www.iseeaustralia.org Joining the Australian Chapter will enable you to vote and nominate for the Chapter Board and help your industry body grow. Any questions relating to membership, please email *team@iseeaustralia.org* 



# **Keynote Speakers**



### Dr Sean Brady – Forensic Engineer, Brady Heywood

Sean Brady is a forensic engineer. He's the Vice Chair of the Society of Construction Law in Australia and a member of the SIMC Panel of Experts in Singapore. He's a Chartered Professional Engineer, and a Fellow of Engineers Australia. In 2020 he completed the Brady Review, which investigated the causes of fatalities in the Queensland mining industry. The review was tabled in parliament and made 11 recommendations to the regulator and mining companies on how to improve safety. Sean is currently engaged as the lead investigator on a major power station incident in Australia. He also speaks and writes on the causes of technical and organisational failure.



### **Dr Nathan Rouse** – President, Thoroughbred Drill and Blast Consultants

Dr. Nathan Rouse is the President of Thoroughbred Drill and Blast Consultants, an international engineering firm he founded in January. He has worked in the mining industry and focused on underground and surface drilling and blasting for around 15 years. He attended the University of Missouri-Rolla, where he graduated with a BS, MS, and PhD in Mining and Explosives Engineering.



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# **Technical Topics:** (Presentations subject to change)

Blasting Optimisation Through GPS and MWD Drilling **Daniel Leemyer and Chris Pilmer** 

Selection of Blast Damage Mitigation Strategies for Multiple Damage Mechanism Scenarios **Bill Adamson** 

A Review of Contemporary Blast Design Data and Rules of Thumb Lee Julian, David La Rosa and Matthew Craft

Cross River Rail - Blasting AA2 Tunnel Under Cavern Ben Swain, Leigh Zapelli, Rauf Osterman and David Alt

Emulsion Breakers for Waste Explosives **Dr Chris Collins** 

Worsey Silva Equation for Modelling Fragmentation Caused By Row Timing Tristan Worsey and J Silva

Enhanced Stope Performance Through the Introduction of Orica's 4D Underground Emulsion Technology **Sam Evans** 

Blazing a Trail to Mining Value Chain Optimization: Achieving Optimal Results with Drill and Blast Analytics Console **Farhad Faramarzi and Ralph Smith** 

Understanding Single, Dual and Multiple Salt Bulk Emulsions and Emulsion Blends **Tom Dermody** 

Blasting Optimization at Telfer Using Differential Energy Product Anand Musunuri, David Tozer, Leonard Rowe, Bryan Sullend and Raghad Abbassi

Auto-temp for Drill and Blast Lucas Ladyman

Possible Mechanisms for the Spontaneous Detonation of Bulk Explosives in Use, Transport and Storage due to Heat Energy **Gary Cavanough** 

Rock Mass Characterisation for Selective Blasting - What is the Next Step? **Ewen Sellers, Ebrahim Salmi and Farid Azhari** 







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ANE Tanker Explosion Investigation Erin James

Wall Control Blasting Strategies
Trevor Little

Hard Rock Blasting with Sensitised Low-Density Explosives in a Copper Mine in the Andes **Hossein Asgari** 

Emulsion Explosives and the Circular Economy - Assessment of Oil from Plastic Bags, from Tyres and from Mines Waste in Emulsions **Miguel Araos** 

Gas Control Station for Blasting Process to Fulfill the Environmental Goals set by the Chilean Ministry of Health

### **Roberto Gomez and Johan Gjovdad**

Vibration Monitoring Standards Connected to the Use of Explosives in Different Countries, Comparison of Standards - Aitik Mine, Sweden **Johan Gjovdad** 

Monitoring Effects of Ground Vibration from Mining Operations on Dams - Implications for Mining Operations **Kim Henley** 

Understanding Single, Dual and Multiple Salt Bulk Emulsions and Emulsion Blends **Tom Dermody** 

Technical Considerations in Through Seam Blasting
Thomas Daley









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## **Conference Dinner**

This year's Conference Dinner will be the famous Hawaiian/colourful shirt poolside get together. It is a very casual event to provide the chance to catch up with new and old friends. The Conference Dinner will cost \$95.00 per person and can be booked along with delegate registration in the store. *Partners are welcome*.



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The ISEE Australian Chapter is run entirely by volunteers as a not-for-profit Professional Society to give people in the Drill and Blast industry a forum to discuss and learn about new blasting techniques, standards, legislation, and technology. The Chapter was incorporated in September 2015 and all raised funds stay in the Chapter with the plan to provide sponsorships and student scholarships in the future.

### For more information regarding the ISEE, please go to www.isee.org

## Membership Information

### **Society Membership**

### The Society is based in Cleveland, Ohio, USA

- » Access to Onemine which includes thousands of technical papers, presentation and articles that have been presented all over the world.
- Print and digital copies of the Journal of Explosive Engineers. This publication is provided quarterly.
- » The ability to vote and nominate for the Society Board.
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### Australian Chapter Membership

### **Chapter Membership**

- » Required to be a Society Member (with fees up to date)
- » Chapter members can nominate and vote for the Chapter Board.
- » Chapter members are encouraged to get involved at Committee level.

### The cost is Free.

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#### **Chapter Affiliate**

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