

International Women's Day 2018



Ipswich
Civic Centre
Thursday
March 8

10:30am - 12.00PM



Key Note Speaker

Patrice Brown

CEO, 2016 Telstra Business Women's Queensland Entrepreneur and 2017 Institute of Manager's and Leaders Owner/Entrepreneur Queensland

Company Director CQG Consulting

Patrice is a Corporate Environmental Advisor with almost 30 years' experience in industrial and environmental management. She grew up in country Queensland and with her siblings is an owner of a cattle property in Central Queensland.

Patrice established CQG in 2003 to deliver practical, creative and cost effective solutions to clients throughout Australia and South East Asia. CQG is now one of regional Queensland's leading environmental, planning and engineering consultancies with staff in Brisbane, Gladstone, Rockhampton, Mackay and Townsville.

With a background in agriculture (beef and sugar), qualifications in engineering, science and business and a passion for enabling sustainable development Patrice and her team are sought out to deliver environmental, compliance and development advisory services to a broad range of clients. She is a regular presenter at national and international conferences as an advocate for protecting environmental and cultural values through partnerships and finding better ways of doing things.

Patrice has held various board director roles over the last 20 years including her current membership on the Queensland Premier's Business Advisory Council and the CQUniversity Council, and previously a non-executive director for the Gladstone Area Water Board as well as several other director roles for State, Federal and not-for-profit economic development boards.

Panel Members



Anne-Marie Walton

Wantu
CEO

Founder at Wantu using technology for social play & quick off-screen family fun, together! Keen advocate of innovation and startups.

Anne-Marie saw an ad in the newspaper to win a six month membership to Firehouse 101 a local innovation hub, and within two weeks she had applied, made an app prototype and received feedback from prospective users.

After teaching herself app development online and consulting with friends and peers alike, Anne-Marie made her pitch for her Firehouse 101 membership. Apparently, she had progressed the project way more than what was expected. Having impressed the judges, she was deemed the winner of the short-term membership to Firehouse 101 – and thus her journey to successful app developer began.



Ingrid Rodriguez

EIKONIC
Founder and Managing Director

Deep industry experience within the Dental Sector; background in coaching and mentoring, sales and business development, practice management and complementary therapies. Social Entrepreneur and Innovator, leading the development of pioneering science for gum disease and introducing game changing technology for the dental industry across the globe.

Eikonic is an award winning, Australian based start-up, on a global mission to help people retain their teeth for life, through the development of its proprietary technology - a nano-coating designed to protect teeth and gums from bacteria to dramatically reduce gum disease and tooth decay which generate a growing and significant social and economic burden on citizens; and private and public healthcare budgets worldwide

As a social enterprise, with a tripartite purpose focused on the 3Ps: People, Planet and Profits, EIKONIC has a social mission to restore oral health for people and society by reorienting modern dentistry from focusing on treatment to focusing on prevention.