

## **This December the Australian Steel Institute is hosting two free lunchtime webinars.**

Over two days, the ASI, and a line-up of expert guests will provide the latest updates on steel market dynamics and sustainability and host Q&A sessions directly following each session.

This webinar series is free to members and their guests. Registration is required (members may register guests as part of their registration).

### Webinar Details

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 1-2.30pm AEDT - **Global Steel Market Dynamics, and the Local Economy**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 1-2.30pm AEDT - **ASI Sustainability Update**

### **Topic**

Global Steel Market Dynamics, and the Local Economy

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 1pm-2.30pm AEDT** (including Q&A)

### **Agenda**

- **Global steel market dynamics** – David Varcoe, State Manager NSW/ACT | National Manufacturing Advisor, Australia Steel Institute (ASI)
  - overview of latest global benchmark steel price trends;
  - discussion of some underlying supply and demand drivers
- **Insights into SME business growth in 2021** - Brendan Widdowson, National Head of Sales, Banjo Loans.
  - the SME Landscape: return of business confidence despite heavily impacted supply chains and record high input costs.
  - powering SME Growth: the top drivers of growth for SMEs in 2021 and beyond.
  - leveraging finance to accelerate growth: the positive impact of finding the right finance solution and a quick turnaround of funding decisions.
- **Tracking and forecasting business insolvencies** - Jamie Draper, Sales Manager NSW and Archana Chawla, Senior Business Development Executive, National Credit Insurance (NCI)
  - discussion of insolvencies in a normal year, what they have looked like since COVID-19 onset, and expectations for 2022 and beyond
  - insights from the trade credit insurance market
- **Cyber Security in 2021 and beyond** - Niek Dekker, Head of Marketing, efsure
  - The perfect storm for cybercrime to happen - and how you are being attacked.
  - Why heavy industry is more vulnerable than others - and by how much.
  - What measures can be taken to mitigate the risk of being the victim of these attacks.
- **Q&A session** based on pre-submitted and chat room questions received during broadcast – 15 to 20 minutes

## Sustainability Update, Australian Steel Industry

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 1.00pm to 2.30pm AEDT (including Q&A)

### Agenda

- 1) Phillipa Stone; Sustainability Manager, Australian Steel Markets - BlueScope
  - **Update on sustainability activities at BSL**, net zero emissions goal by 2050
  - Certification of Port Kembla to ResponsibleSteel™ standard
  - BSL product sustainability credentials
- 2) David Bell; Sustainability and Insight Manager - Infrabuild
  - **Infrabuild's manufacturing process and 2030 carbon neutral target**
  - EPDs and material circularity indicators
  - How to achieve mill Green Star and IS points, and benefits of early engagement
- 3) David Varcoe; State Manager NSW-ACT, National Manufacturing Adviser - ASI
  - **Steel industry pathways to decarbonisation**
  - Overview of current global steel manufacturing technologies, their share of production, and associated CO2 emission intensity
  - Current decarbonisation strategies being implemented; policy considerations to facilitate outcomes
- 4) Michael Dawson; State Manager Vic-Tas-SA, National Manager ESC - ASI
  - **Update on ASIs Environmental Sustainability Charter and GBCAs New Green Star program** – what the major changes will bring
  - Current plans for ESCv2.0 – Steel Sustainability Australia (SSA)
  - Opportunity for steel supply chain members to get on board SSA, benefits of becoming a Steel Sustainability charter member
- 5) Nicole Sullivan; Head of Strategy and Impact - thinkstep-anz Australia
  - **Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)**, what is it and how it can assist out industry across the supply chain
  - How LCA tools work and assist to lower carbon
  - Circular Economy and Steel – why this is a key strength for our industry.
- 6) Panel Discussion – Facilitated by Phil Casey (ASI)