



# 2025 Tasmanian Freight & Logistics Forum



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## WELCOME

8.30am

**Brett Charlton** (Principal, The Ship Consulting / Tasmanian Regional Representative – FTA/APSA)

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS** **Mike Gallacher** (CEO Ports Australia) / **Anthony Donald** (CEO – TasPorts)

## PANEL 1. PORT INTERFACE

- **Anthony Donald** (Chief Executive Officer, TasPorts)
- **Mike Gallacher** (CEO Ports Australia)
- **Paul Collins** (Tasmania Operations Manager, Qube Ports)

**MORNING TEA** – sponsored by Qube Ports

10am to 10.30am

**EVOLVING OPERATIONS** **Peggy Chen** (Director, Centre for Maritime and Logistics Management, Australian Maritime College / University of Tasmania)

## PANEL 2. SHIPPER'S PERSPECTIVE

- **Michael Bailey** OAM (CEO – Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry)
- **Patrick Dooley** (Noske Skog – Tasmanian Minerals, Manufacturing and Energy Council)
- **Mark Kable** (Chairman – Tasmanian Agricultural Productivity Group / National Board Member – Austveg).

**LUNCH** – sponsored by Mediterranean Shipping Company

12pm to 1pm

**MINISTERIAL ADDRESS** **Eric Abetz** (Tasmanian Minister for Business, Industry and Resources / Minister for Transport)

## PANEL 3. DOMESTIC SHIPPING

- **Patrick Guarino** (General Manager – Searoad Pty Ltd)
- **Geoff Gruebner** (Chief Executive Officer – Strait Link Shipping Pty Ltd)
- **Ian Whitechurch** – (General Manager Freight Services - TT Lines Tasmania).

**AFTERNOON TEA** – sponsored by Blue Water Shipping

2.30pm to 3pm

**GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE** **Sal Mercogliano** – Host of “What’s going on with shipping” (pre-recorded)

## PANEL 4. INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING

- **Derek Singline** (Director Sales Australia – ANL CMA CGM)
- **Kon Makrakis** (Tasmania and Victoria Manager – Mediterranean Shipping Company)
- **Bryce Henley** (Deputy General Manager – COSCO Australia)

## CLOSE

**Paul Zalai** (Director, Freight & Trade Alliance (FTA) / Secretariat (APSA))

4.30pm

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