



PERTH TO PUT EVENTS ON WATER

PERTH is set to expand its business events facilities with approval given for a permanent event barge to be located 400 metres from Elizabeth Quay.

The venue will have capacity for 250 people and will target weddings, business events, corporate functions, cinema nights, private seminars, workshops as well as various breakfast and brunch options.

Old Salt Pty Ltd is planning to develop the structure as a modest and minimalist design in the middle of the Swan River.

The company has proposed to transfer delegates between Barrack Square and the barge through a special transfer vessel.

WA Tourism Minister Paul Papalia said the venture would provide more options for visitors to the city.



“The Swan River event barge is another example of the confidence business people have in the future hospitality and tourism growth of Perth,” he said.

Old Salt plans to have the facility operating for events early next year.

The firm’s managing director

Katie Chrystal told the *ABC* that the idea for the floating events facility was inspired by The Island Bar in Sydney.

Today’s issue of BEN

Business Events News today has one page of news.

Registration open for ACTE

REGISTRATIONS have opened for The Association of Corporate Travel Executives’ (ACTE) 2018 Asia Global Summit in Singapore.

The event will return to the Lion City for the first time in five years when it is held on 17-18 Jul.

A 30% discount off the non-member price is being offered for those who join ACTE before the conference.

The event will be held at the Shangri-La Hotel Singapore near the Botanic Gardens and is 15 minutes from the Downtown Core.

NT business events fund

MORE details have emerged of the NT Business Events Support Fund, which was announced last month (*BEN* 21 Dec).

The fund will provide funding of \$100 per delegate up to \$50,000 per event held in the Territory.

NT Department of Tourism and Culture acting deputy chief executive officer Andrew Hopper said funding would be weighted towards business events that aligned with the region’s economic and social strengths.

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INPLACE Insights



Each month Senior Account Manager **Peter Jackson** of inPlace Recruitment, shares his observations from a recruiter’s perspective to help job seekers and employers find the perfect fit.

Peter has over 12 years’ recruitment experience in the event and hospitality industry.

Welcome 2018

A NEW year – Some of you are already back at work whilst others are in the final stages of their Christmas break. With business confidence definitely on the rise, this year is anticipated to be a strong year across travel and MICE sectors. The feedback I have received from clients indicates a very strong pipeline of business for 2018.

Is your business prepared, and do you have the right people in place to manage business levels and ensure your clients are completely satisfied with the service delivered? Take a moment to review your manning guides and consider the team you have in place presently. Are you in a great position or is there a missing link that you require to fill to ensure 2018 is, as predicted, a great year.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous 2018.



THE delegates of the future are out in action this summer for the Brickman Awesome event at ICC Sydney.

The exhibition will be made up of 38 never-before-seen LEGO models, including the only life-size LEGO Harley Davidson ever made and the only LEGO Caterpillar dump truck, plus a 40,000 brick crocodile.

Brickman Awesome runs until 04 Feb.

