



**Professional Development Seminar
Friday 22 February 2019
Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre
1 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf VIC 3006**

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Program	
9:15 am to 9.45 am	Registration and Reception
9.45 am to 9:50 am	Delegates to be seated
9:50 am to 10:00 am	Welcome by FinPro President – Bradley Thomas
10:00 am to 10:45 am	<p>Update from the Victorian Valuer-General – Robert Marsh</p> <p>Robert Marsh is the current Valuer General, a position he has held in excess of 11 years and is responsible overseeing all council rating valuations.</p> <p>Robert will touch base on the recent centralization of valuation contracts and changeover from biennial valuations to annual valuations. This has seen many councils having to adapt internal processes such as data input, rates modelling and adopting different software, often resulting in additional costs, particularly relating to staffing.</p> <p>It should be noted that the Department of Treasury and Finance has also made available to Councils a “once-off” payment to Councils based on the Fire Services Property Levy model to assist with the initial additional costs of the changing process.</p>
10:45 am to 11:30 am	<p>Update from Local Government Victoria, including launch of the Model Budget and Model Financial Statements – by Graeme Emonson, Executive Director, LGV</p> <p>The update will include what’s currently happening at LGV, in particular current information about recycling and waste management and the status of the new Local Government Act.</p> <p>The session will also include the launch of the Model Budget and Model Accounts, both of which have become key guidance documents for local government.</p> <p>These documents are reviewed annually by working groups made up of practitioners from within the sector and co-ordinated by LGV.</p>
11:30 am to 12:15 pm	<p>Accounting Standards Update – AASB 9, AASB 15, AASB 16 and AASB 1058</p> <p>The Accounting Standards Working Group, (Comprising FinPro members and staff from LGV and Crowe Horwath), have been working together on guidance materials for the sector.</p> <p>A guidance document developed by the working group and published by Local Government Victoria will be launched at this session.</p> <p>Martin Thompson (Crowe Horwath) and Tony Rocca (FinPro Executive) will present an overview of the work completed and give members a clear picture of work which needs to be completed before 30 June this year.</p> <p>The session will focus primarily on the “what” needs to be done and use some practical working examples of how the work could be achieved.</p> <p>The Group will continue to work on some more “technical” training over coming months to support the guidance via webinars and/or regional sessions.</p>

12.15 pm to 1:15 pm	LUNCH
1:15 pm to 2:00 pm	<p>Key Note Address – Melbourne City Council Lord Mayor, Cr Sally Capp</p> <p>Sally is the 104th Lord Mayor of Melbourne being elected in May last year. Sally is the first woman to be directly elected as Lord Mayor. She chairs the Major Projects portfolio and the Major Events portfolio.</p> <p>Sally was also the first woman to hold the post of Agent-General for Victoria in the UK, Europe and Israel. She has also served as the CEO for the Committee for Melbourne and COO of the Victorian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.</p> <p>Sally began her career as a Solicitor, after completing Law (Hons) and Commerce degrees at the University of Melbourne.</p> <p>Sally has held senior roles at both KPMG and ANZ, and she took the small business she co-founded to the ASX. Most recently she was Victorian Executive Director of the Property Council of Australia.</p>
2:00 pm to 2.20 pm	<p>Case Study – Cardinia Shire Council Finance Team Local Government Innovation – “Embracing artificial intelligence solutions for process automation”</p> <p>Presented by members of the Cardinia Shire Council Finance Team, winners of the Inaugural Local Government Finance Award in 2018 for their innovative work in embracing artificial intelligence.</p>
2:20 pm to 3:00 pm	<p>Update from the Victorian Auditor-General’s Office – Jonathan Kyvelidis, Sector Director, Local Government and Planning</p> <p>Jonathon has recently been appointed to this position after holding various other positions with VAGO over the past 8 years.</p> <p>Topics discussed will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an update on VAGO’s 2017/18 Report on Local Government, • audit focus areas for the upcoming 2018/19 audit cycle, and • Future work plans for local government.
3:00pm	Seminar close



General Information:

Venue:	Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf VIC 3006
Date:	Friday 22 February 2019
Time:	9.15am – 3.00pm
Seminar Investment:	Members \$165.00 (includes \$15.00 GST) Non-members \$220.00 (includes \$20.00 GST)
CPD hours:	5 CPD hours
Dress:	Business
Registrations:	Accepted up to Thursday 14 February 2019 (limited to 250 registrations)

To register:

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Cancellations:

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No refunds will be made for cancellations after Thursday 14 February 2019, however a substitute delegate may attend at no additional cost.

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