



APGA WLDP Alumni Leadership Summit

It's Time to Reconnect, Recharge, and Rise

Thursday 16 – Saturday 18 October 2025

Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, P1

Summit Co-facilitated by Dr. Gretchen Gagel (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/gretchen-gagel/>) and Jac Phillips (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/jacphillips/>)

Thursday, 16 October 2025

Time	Item
16:30–18:30	Optional Welcome Drinks @ Rydges South Bank Soleil Bar <i>Use this opportunity to connect with friends and colleagues to arrange dinner post drinks.</i>

Friday, 17 October 2025

Time	Presenter	Item
8:30	Dr Gretchen Gagel & Jac Phillips	Welcome and Session 1
10:15		Morning Tea
10:30	Dr Gretchen Gagel & Jac Phillips	Session 2
12:00		Lunch & WPF Roundtable*
12:45	Dr Gretchen Gagel & Jac Phillips	Session 3
14:00	Dr Vanessa Guthrie	Session 4
15:30		Afternoon Tea
15:45	Dr Gretchen Gagel & Jac Phillips	Session 5
17:00		Conclusion and move on to group dinner From 5:30pm at The Charming Squire, Mezzanine, 133 Grey Street, Brisbane

***Luncheon Roundtables** – During lunch we will have a facilitated discussion at each table led by a member of the Women in Pipelines Forum on a committee topic to gather input on future initiatives.

Saturday, 18 October 2025

Time	Presenter	Item
8:00		Light breakfast
8:30	Dr Gretchen Gagel & Jac Phillips	Session 6
9:30		Morning Tea & Group Photo – APGA Photographer
9:45	Dr Gretchen Gagel & Jac Phillips	Summit wrap up
11:00		Event Close

Each participant will leave the Summit with a leadership development plan to continue their leadership learning journey.

Six Highly Interactive Sessions Including:

- **Living with Purpose** – How to remain focused upon your values and personal purpose as you lead others in an authentic way that maximises your value to your team and organisation. This includes a discussion of **Confidence and Humility**, how to confidently lead in a way that is authentic to you while balancing that with the humility Jim Collins describes in Level 5 leaders
- **Personal Productivity** – How to effectively manage your time to enable you to focus on your “big rocks”, the highest and best use of your time to enable your success and the success of those you lead and influence.
- **Leading High-Performing Teams** – How to build a cohesive team that has well-defined norms, goals, and metrics for success. This includes how to overcome the common dysfunctions of a team.
- **Innovation Intelligence** – What innovation really is, why it is critical to the success of any business, best in class learnings and insights on the world’s most innovative companies, and latest innovation trends & insights.
- **Communicating with Compassionate Directness** - Discusses what that actually is (and isn’t!), where it starts (with you), the solution (feedback – how to give it and receive it), the implications of not giving feedback regularly, providing feedback with compassion, and receiving feedback well.
- **Building Your Brand and Career Advancement** – How to develop a career plan, engage mentors and sponsors, and tell your leadership story in a way that facilitates the achievement of your career aspirations.