

2025 ULI AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE

Global Futures: Smart City Investment:
Global Pathways to Sustainable Urban Growth

27 - 28 November
New South Wales Parliament House

Message from ULI Australia Chair

This year's programme draws on lessons from the United States, Europe, and Asia to explore how global markets are financing urban transformation—and what Australia can learn from their approaches. We'll examine the impacts of shifting capital markets, rising climate risks, demographic change, and technological disruption on the way we plan, fund, and deliver our built environment.

A particular highlight will be the launch of the **2026 ULI Asia Pacific Emerging Trends in Real Estate®** report by ULI and PwC, which provides an in-depth outlook by region on real estate investment, development trends, and capital markets. We'll also explore how we can build more inclusive, resilient, and sustainable communities—through bold ideas and practical action.

Whether you work in development, planning, investment, or policy—if you care about the future of Australia's urban places, this is the conversation you'll want to be part of.



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PROGRAM | DAY 1

15:45 - 16:00

Registration & Meet-Up

16:00 – 17:30

Site Tours

Purple Flags are Safer Cities

– experience a Purple Flag Walkshop to learn how international accreditation can make your precinct more active, better connected and safer.

An initiative of ULI Womens Leadership Initiative (WLI)

Tech Central - A precinct in transformation

– a tour of things underway and things to come

An initiative of ULI Young Leaders Group (YLG)

17:30 – 19:00

Post-Tour Networking Drinks



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PROGRAM | DAY 2

9:00 AM

Registration and Networking

Fireside Chat: Reflections on Regional Impact against the ULI Global Mission

Leonie Wilkinson - Chair, ULI Australia Executive Committee

Scott Dunn - Chair, ULI Asia Pacific Executive Committee

2026 ULI Asia Pacific Emerging Trends in Real Estate®

Explore the leading real estate forecast with key insights on Asia Pacific investment and development trends.

11:00 AM

Morning Tea

A Truly Global Perspective on Capital, Challenges and Opportunities A Contrast Between the Global Markets

Our keynote address will be delivered this year by two luminaries of the industry, one homegrown one based in Texas.

Reimagining Real Estate Capital: Global Insights and Investment Strategies for a Resilient Future

Rethinking capital to unlock sustainable urban growth through innovative models and global investment strategies.

12:15 PM

Networking Lunch

Engaging with Women to Design Safer Cities

Explore recent Safer Cities Walkshops held in Sydney and Melbourne to promote inclusive and safer urban spaces.

Responding to Social Shifts: Real Estate Strategies Shaped by Policy, People, and Place

Ageing, lifestyle shifts, and social change are reshaping housing demand and asset strategies across Australia.

Delivering Liveable Futures: Housing, Place and the Path Forward

- Placemaking and Place-based Development
- Regional Perspectives
- Housing Affordability

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2:45 PM

Afternoon Tea

Future-Proofing Real Estate: Navigating Climate Risk and the ESG Imperative

ASRS 2025 drives climate disclosure as data, AI, and ESG reshape real estate risk and strategy.

A Global Perspective on AI and the Built Environment - Unlocking Australia's Data-Driven Future

AI is reshaping Australia's built environment through data, automation, and infrastructure-driven innovation.

4:00 PM

Final Remarks and Closing Reception at NSW Parliament House Fountain Court

