



Australian Gas Industry Trust

## Gas Speak Colloquium 2018

### National Portrait Gallery, Canberra

### 13-15 August 2018

#### Introduction

The *Australian Gas Industry Trust* (AGIT) will be conducting the Gas Speak Colloquium for 2018 at The National Portrait Gallery, Canberra from Monday 13 August to Wednesday 15 August 2018. The event continues the tradition of successful Gas Speak events held since 1982. The objective of Gas Speak is:

*“To encourage an awareness and knowledge of the gas industry in Australia by providing a forum for young people to present papers, chair sessions, conduct syndicate discussions and develop the art of self expression and communication.”*

#### Delegates

There are up to 30 delegate places available and applicants will be drawn from all areas of the natural gas industry - exploration/production, transmission, distribution and retail and appliance sectors.

Gas Speak as an extremely well regarded educational event and organisations should consider it as providing the opportunity for their younger and up-and-coming employees to receive instruction in public speaking and advocacy, to mix with industry leaders and politicians, to learn about other parts of their sector and other sectors in their industry and to network with industry participants. Nominations are aimed at applicants who are aged 35 and under, although older applicants are welcome to apply.

Noting the success of previous Gas Speak events, it may be expected that there may be more nominations than vacancies. Attendees will be selected from the nominations at the discretion of AGIT so as to encourage broad participation from all industry sectors and businesses. An organisation may submit multiple nominations but AGIT will discuss the company's nominations with the relevant company manager prior to the determination of the successful candidates.

#### Delegates' Participation

The structure of Gas Speak 2018 includes elements of speaking, preparing PowerPoint presentations and chairing of sessions. A special training session in communication, speech writing and presentation will be given as part of the program as well as presentations on current industry issues and on how delegates can be industry advocates.

Delegates will be required to prepare a 17 minute presentation prior to the event, to present to an audience of delegates and mentors. The mentors are senior gas industry representatives who will give advice and feedback on delegate presentations.

A Gas Industry Awareness evening will be held as a cocktail event at Parliament House on Monday 15 August. Delegates will be required to prepare a PowerPoint poster on key issues affecting their industry sector.

The three best posters (selected by AGIT) will be displayed at the event and all posters will be available as a handout so delegates can discuss them with politicians and industry leaders attending the event.

### **Costs**

There is no delegate fee to attend Gas Speak 2018, but costs for travel, accommodation and some meals will be the employer's responsibility. All other costs will be met by the AGIT. Accommodation is reserved at a special rate at Rydges Capital Hill, in close proximity to the National Portrait Gallery. Further details will be provided to participants closer to the date.

### **Draft Program**

#### **Sunday (evening) 12 August 2018**

Informal cocktail event at the Rydges Capital Hill for delegates and mentors arriving in Canberra to meet.

#### **Day 1 Monday 13 August 2018**

**Welcome and Opening Address on the Australian natural gas industry and AGIT**  
**Current issues affecting the industry and your role in being advocates for gas**  
**Presentation skills sessions**  
**Tour of Parliament House, Canberra**  
**Gas Industry Awareness Cocktail Evening, Parliament House, Canberra**

#### **Day 2 Tuesday 14 August 2018**

**Delegate presentations**  
**Free evening**

#### **Day 3 Wednesday 15 August 2018**

**Delegate presentations continued**  
**Impromptu speeches**  
**Mentor summary and wrap up**

The event will conclude at approximately 4.00pm

## **Nominations**

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Enclosed is a Nomination Form seeking names of nominee(s). This form must be returned to AGIT by Tuesday 12 June 2018.

Nominees should indicate a choice of two topics on which they could prepare a presentation. One of these will be selected following a consideration of all nominated topics in order to achieve a broad range of presentations.

If you would like further information or to discuss this event in more detail, please feel free to call Peter Heffernan, on 02 6273 0577 or email [info@agit.org.au](mailto:info@agit.org.au)

#### **IMPORTANT**

To be eligible for selection, nominations must reach the Australian Gas Industry Trust  
By COB Tuesday 12 June 2018



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### Nomination Form

#### Objective

*To encourage awareness and knowledge of the gas industry in Australia by providing a forum for young people to present papers, chair sessions, conduct syndicate discussions and develop the art of self-expression and communication.*

It is a preference for one nominee per organisation to be accepted, however if numbers allow, additional delegates from the one organisation can be accepted.

Title: Mr  Ms  Mrs  Miss

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Company name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject of presentation which the nominee would like to present, (in order of preference):

*(You will be notified by AGIT of the final selection of your topic)*

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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Manager's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by Tuesday 12 June 2018 to Peter Heffernan, Joint Secretary at [info@agit.org.au](mailto:info@agit.org.au)

**Please note, you will receive an email confirmation of receipt of your nomination.  
If you have not received confirmation within 24 hours of submitting your nomination, please contact  
the secretariat on 02 6273 0577.**