

High Speed Rail

The Australian Context

David George CEO - CRC for Rail Innovation

In October 1964 the Japanese Railways started running 200 km.h⁻¹ passenger trains. Japan now has over 2000 km of high speed lines with trains operating up to 300km.h⁻¹. High speed railways are now being operated in countries across Europe, Asia, and the Americas.



The list of high speed countries is constantly growing with over 18 000 km of high speed rail lines currently under construction across the world.

Should Australia be joining the High Speed Club?

The CRC for Rail Innovation has established a research project investigating the need and benefits of high speed rail in Australia. This project is one of the many championed by the CRCs CEO, David George.

David George will;

- 1 discuss the history of high speed projects in Australia,
- 1 explain the current project, and
- 1 share his passion for the subject.



David George has extensive experience in the rail industry, having worked for more than 30 years with Australian, British and New Zealand rail companies. This includes being CEO of the New Zealand rail network, managing Queensland Rail's (QR's) coal & freight businesses, and being Director of European Business for BR's Railfreight Distribution freight business. David became CEO of the CRC (Cooperative Research Centre) for Rail Innovation in 2007.

David has an MA in Metallurgy and Science of Materials from Oxford University, is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Australia.

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TECHNICAL PRESENTATION

VENUE:

QRI Conference Centre

Between RC1 & RC2,
309 Edwards St
Brisbane

DATE:

Wednesday
28th September 2011

TIME:

17:30 for
18:00

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