



## Media Release

### **Corrosion is not an asset**

The impact of corrosion is spread through all areas of society and how to manage corrosion is a challenge for owners and managers of assets ranging from suburban industrial units through to the Sydney Opera House or a gas production platform on the North West Shelf. Corrosion is a physical threat to infrastructure and personal safety as well as an economic threat to industry and the wider community.

In order to promote a better understanding of corrosion, the Australasian Corrosion Association (ACA) will host the Corrosion and Prevention 2015 (C&P2015) Conference that allows all industry stakeholders to meet and discuss a wide range of topics relating to corrosion and its prevention or mitigation. This year, the ACA will be highlighting the importance of Asset Management in terms of design, operation and repair. Asset and facility management and maintenance professionals will benefit from opportunities to hear presentations by, and speak with, corrosion specialists from a number of disciplines.

C&P2015 will be held in Adelaide—the internationally regarded food and wine capital of South Australia—between 15 – 18 November. The conference brings together industry experts, academics and representatives of commercial organisations. Seminars and technical papers will cover structural risk assessments and case studies of specific strategies for asset maintenance, in addition to presentations on the varying types of inspection technique. They will also provide opportunities to explore best practice in corrosion management, environmental protection techniques, public safety and economics.

The Association will bring together a panel of industry experts to discuss the challenges and the importance of maintaining vital infrastructure. Members of the panel will come from a range of industry sectors, including water treatment, Oil & Gas, engineering consultancy, contracting and logistics. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and debate the latest techniques and practices with representatives of water and port authorities, major national consulting companies, suppliers and companies including Santos and Chevron.



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C&P2015 will also highlight the importance for corrosion prevention in the Oil & Gas industry with technical papers from a cross-section of the industry highlighting how costly corrosion can be for the sector. A focus of this will be the ACA Petroleum Chemicals and Processing Industries Technical Group's annual forum, discussing 'Corrosion Under Insulation'.

This year's P F Thomson Memorial Lecture—the keynote address of every C&P Conference since 1951—will be delivered by Dr Robert Francis covering the latest research into galvanic corrosion. The speech is named in honour of Percival Faraday Thomson, who, working through the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, is recognised as Australasia's pioneer in the science and technology of metallic corrosion and its mitigation.

In addition to the technical program, the concurrent trade exhibition will allow attendees to see the latest equipment and products available to the industry and social events provide networking opportunities for sponsors, exhibitors and attendees.

The ACA was formed in 1955 and represents companies, organisations and individuals involved in the fight against corrosion and promotes cooperation between academic, industrial, commercial and governmental bodies. The industry association is a not-for-profit, membership Association which provides training, seminars, conferences, publications and other activities to disseminate information about corrosion and its prevention or control.

For registration details and conference program, please refer to the web site:

<http://www.acaconference.com.au>

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**[IMAGE CAPTIONS]:**

<<ACA-Release-2015 C&P Conference\_1.jpg>> The Convention Centre reflected in Adelaide's River Torrens

<<ACA-Release-2015 C&P Conference\_2.jpg>> Main entrance of the Adelaide Convention Centre

<<ACA-Release-2015 C&P Conference\_3.jpg>> Australasian Corrosion Association logo



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### **About the Australasian Corrosion Association**

The Australasian Corrosion Association Incorporated (ACA) is a not-for-profit, industry association, established in 1955 to service the needs of Australian and New Zealand companies, organisations and individuals involved in the fight against corrosion.

The vision of the ACA is to reduce the impact of corrosion.

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