

# ShireBiz Bulletin

*The Shire Economic Development Alliance Newsletter*

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## About ShireBiz

ShireBiz is a not for profit organisation dedicated to the Economic Development of Southern Sydney to enable sustainable business development which provides employment opportunities for the local community.

Our strategic pillars are:

- Job Creation through projects such as *Supporting the development of the ANSTO Innovation precinct*
- Advocacy such as *Improving Shire transport links*
- Connecting the Community through regular *newsletter*, and ZOOM and in person events with prominent speakers

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## **Election 22 the real issues – towards a circular economy by Göran Roos**

The desirable move towards a more [sustainable future](#) has recently taken on a

stronger momentum as illustrated by the willingness, of primarily millennials and GenZ, to pay a premium for products and services that are more sustainable. Some businesses are changing their products and production processes, including changing and minimising inputs (material and energy) as well as reducing waste

## **ANSTO: Science meets business 12noon Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

The Accelerating Deep Tech Businesses seminar is being presented this Friday, 20 May, 12noon, as part of the Science Meets Business Innovation Series. This is a free event, online and in-person, at *nandin*, ANSTO's Innovation Centre, in Sydney. To attend [REGISTER](#).

## **Fujitsu Australia PPA first step in decarbonising operations**

Fujitsu Australia has signed a [power purchase agreement](#) (PPA) for a term of 10 years, sourcing renewable energy through CWP Renewables' Sapphire Wind Farm – a key step in decarbonising its operations and providing lower-emissions services to customers.

## **Webinar: Business & the Paris Agreement for Nature 12 May 4:30-5:30pm**

This BCSD Australia [webinar](#) looks at: • What happened at the GBC and what were the outcomes? • What is the relevance and connection of the Science Based Targets Network (SBTN) and the Taskforce on Nature related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) to these multi-lateral policy processes? • Why does any of this matter to business?

## **Manufacturing Monthly Annual survey of readers**

Manufacturers' Monthly is conducting an [annual survey](#) to understand the habits, wants and needs of key decision makers in the manufacturing industry. As a subscriber to Manufacturers' Monthly we would like to hear from you.

## **Which Australian cities could face a labour crisis?**

New research from [ECI Software Solutions](#) highlights which cities in Australia are being hit the hardest by the manufacturing skills gap, with some cities at risk of struggling to fill half their vacancies.

## **Expedite your sales process through streamlined quoting**

Does this sound familiar. "I'm the only person in our business who can manage quoting" "My business is being held back by a complicated quoting process." Are you relying on one person to take care of job quoting within your business? If so, you may be losing valuable time and ground vs. the competition when it comes to acquiring new business.

## **AuManufacturing value-added services**

The Australian Manufacturing Forum and @AuManufacturing have teamed up with trusted partners to offer members and readers access to a range of value-added services. From government grants available to SMEs, to buying and selling your business, we know from long collaboration that our partner providers can, and have helped, our SME members in a process of trust and integrity.

## **4 ways businesses can remain cyber vigilant**

He pointed to the Verizon 2021 Data Breach Investigations Report, which found that 85% of data breaches last year involved a human element. "Against this backdrop, it behoves security teams to step up their already considerable efforts to safeguard solutions and data from compromise or attack – and business leaders to back them to the hilt in this endeavour," Mr Maree said. Here are four ways businesses can better protect themselves.

## **SADIG Newsletter: Seeking Australian Industry Subcontractors**

Varley Group is seeking the support of Australian Industry subcontractors and suppliers to engage in the Littoral Manoeuvre Vehicle – Amphibious contract. The Littoral Manoeuvre Vessel – Amphibious (LMV-A 8710 Phase 1b) will deliver up to 15 amphibious vehicles that can provide an over-the-shore-mobility capability, support the deployment of Amphibious Beach Teams, provide an enduring link to the sea base, provide organic Material Handling Equipment (MHE), support to Humanitarian and Disaster Relief (HADR), and strategic inter-theatre projection.

## **Business struggling to find tech savvy-staff**

New research has found that most employers find it challenging to find professionals with the right technical skills to move their department into the digital future. The [report](#) from specialised recruiter Robert Half reveals that as new technologies change the way businesses operate, 87% of jobs in Australia are now said to require digital literacy skills. Employers have to rethink talent management strategy to meet surging demand for digital skills, and based on the research findings:

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