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Join our webinar series, [Hiring Outside the Box!](#) You'll learn about alternative recruitment practices to develop your workforce. Hear from industry experts and employers about practical strategies they've used, including the benefits of tapping into new pools of talent, and hiring a diverse and inclusive team.

Sutherland Shire Business Chamber: *Evolve Fest* 30 Aug 2024

Whether you're a young professional or looking to support the next generation, this event is for you! We encourage all our members to attend and bring along your younger staff members so they can also benefit from the Chamber. [Evolve Fest](#) offers the opportunity to

learn, connect and evolve as professionals. At Rydges Cronulla 5-7pm 30 Aug 2024

Asia Business Briefing with the Hon Ed Husic MP, Minister for Industry and Science - Sydney, 5 Sept 12:15pm at Rydges Cronulla

The event will feature the latest insights for Australian businesses on how to [build the skills](#) and knowledge to succeed in Asia and stay ahead of the game in a highly competitive global economy. This event will also celebrate the launch of the Doing Business Guides, a new suite of resources providing businesses with practical insights essential for exporting to and investing in key Asian markets.

Articles

COSBOA August 2024 Update

[Includes](#): Supporting small business to navigate a complex industrial relations landscape; Another small business hacked; Crucial steps to outsmart tax scammers; Department of Finance Grant template suite review; ATO's Tax Time toolkit for small business and .au domain name licence costs increasing.

Business NSW: Unlocking strategies for indigenous employment

Business NSW is thrilled to announce our partnership with [StoneCrab](#), our Indigenous advisory partner, to bring you a series of insightful webinars focused on First Nations engagement. These sessions will provide a deep dive into the history of exclusion faced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia, the ongoing equity gap, and the current state of Reconciliation following the Referendum result.

High-tech imaging projects help manufacturers unearth new wealth

[Two projects](#) backed by the Advanced Manufacturing Growth Centre have commercialised technology based on cosmic rays and hyperspectral imaging to make mining safer and more productive. In a statement on Tuesday, the not-for-profit organisation highlighted projects by Swinburne University spinout mDetect and ASX-listed EQ resources, both of which received backing from AMGC's Commercialisation Fund.

Towards Zero Defects; A practical guide for Construction in ANZ

A simple oversight in quality control can lead to a cascade of issues, from millions of dollars in rework to months of delays on site. But there's a silver lining to these costly mistakes. By [re-thinking quality processes](#), companies like Woollam, Balmain & Co, and Mono Construction have seen: • Significant reductions in rework • Improved project delivery times • Enhanced client satisfaction

Towards 3% R&D, Australia's R&D slide – download our new e-book

Through April and May, 2024 @AuManufacturing published opinion crowd sourced from readers and members of the Australian Manufacturing Forum LinkedIn group, articulating the measured by R&D spend. Today we launch our e-book summarising 27 expert opinions and putting the case for a national innovation and industry policy to arrest the slide. You can download the e-book at [this link](#).

Australian Retailers Association: Retail Voice August 14th 2024

[Includes](#): Australians to spend less on Father's Day amidst cost-of-living crunch; Small retailers responding to mixed performance through innovation; ARA launches SMB resource explaining workplace relations reforms; Next round of single-use plastic bans coming into effect September; Trusted data essential to help retailers manage sustainability issues; Take the main stage with the Shop Small Runway and Senate inquiry into "big box" retailers

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:

- Advocacy for business investment, traction and job diversity eg projects such as supporting *the development of the ANSTO Innovation precinct*
- Advocacy for infrastructure investment, policy change and streamlining regulatory environments in the Sutherland Shire
- Engaging the community through regular *newsletter*, and *events*

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