

# Innovate VIC 2024

New, Now, Next: Digital Strategies to Elevate Service Delivery for Victorians

**Thursday, 25 July 2024** Pullman Melbourne Albert Park, Victoria



#### **Event Overview**

Experience the forefront of digital innovation in government at the 6th Annual Innovate VIC 2024 Showcase, a dynamic oneday summit hosted by the Public Sector Network and Cenitex. PSN are delighted to be partnering with Cenitex to bring you our 2024 programme which will showcase a broad range of agencies who are demonstrating leadership in the innovative digital strategic projects that are being implemented to modernise essential public services and deliver accessible, simplified citizen experiences for a rapidly evolving digital era.

Join us at this year's Innovate VIC 2024 Showcase as we convene to explore the transformative landscape of Digital & Customer Experience (CX) in the public sector, igniting discussions that shape the future of pioneering technologies to redefine workforce skillsets. This event explores the forefront of innovation, putting a spotlight on what's shaping the future of service delivery and citizen interactions.

Public sector employees, register your complimentary attendance now, for an immersive one-day summit exploring the transformative landscape of Digital & Customer Experience (CX) in the Victorian State government.



#### Be a part of the Innovation Series

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Innovate Aus - 29 May	$\rightarrow$
Innovate NSW - 20 Jun	$\rightarrow$
Innovate VIC - 25 Jul	$\rightarrow$
Innovate QLD - 10 Sep	$\rightarrow$
Innovate NZ - 5 Nov	$\rightarrow$



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## Who You'll Meet

This series is designed for professionals involved in:

- Business Transformation and Continuous Improvement
- Digital Innovation and Technology
- Citizen Engagement and Experience
- Service Design and Delivery

Workforce Planning and HR

- Data, Information Management, Analytics and Insights
- Enterprise Architects
- Culture and Change Management

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## **Benefits of Attending**

Unpack the critical next steps to regaining and retaining public confidence and trust

Share successful approaches to innovating within budget constraints and navigating competing priorities

Learn how your Victorian public sector peers are driving digital capability and intuitive services to improve citizen/customer experience

**Deep-dive into case studies from Victorian Departments & Agencies** to inform and inspire your own work

**Discover emerging technologies and methodologies** to help realise meaningful outcomes and greater efficiencies

**Delve into the most effective and responsible use of AI and data** to enable reliable, actionable insights for strategic and informed decision-making

## Key Themes for 2024

- **Digital & CX Evolution:** Dive into the next phase of the digital agenda, where seamless service delivery and simplified experiences are paramount. Learn how these efforts foster public confidence and trust, driving a more connected and responsive government.
- **Technology & Transformation:** Explore the maturation of technology within Digital & CX, catalysing advancements in service quality and accessibility. Discover strategies to leverage technology for enhancing citizen engagement and operational efficiency, propelling the public sector into a new era of effectiveness.
- **Future of Work & Next-Gen Skillsets:** Uncover the blueprint for a future-ready public service, fuelled by strategic talent development and recruitment initiatives. Hear from senior government industry leaders on investing in individuals who possess the innovative prowess to design and deliver exceptional outcomes for customers and constituents alike.
- **Advancing AI and Data:** Delve into the realm of artificial intelligence and data analytics, navigating the complexities of regulation, ethics, and practical applications. Gain insights into harnessing generative AI and strategic data insights, unlocking opportunities for transformative growth and advancement within the public sector landscape.



#### 2024 Speakers



The Hon. Victor Dominello

Director

UNSW/UTS Trustworthy Digital Society Hub, Tech Council of Australia Board

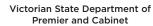


**Frances Cawthra** Chief Executive Officer

Cenitex



John Gehman Senior Data Scientist





Sanja Galic Senior Client Partner

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Lance Emerson Deputy Secretary

eHealth, Victoria Department of Health



Alexis Ewing Executive Director Infrastructure Services

Cenitex



Karen Dermody Director, Digital Business Partners

**Department of Education &** Training, Victoria



Su Jella

Director, Data & Insights, Tennis Australia: Vice President

Women's Tennis Foundation Inc



**Eleanor Williams** 

Managing Director; Assistant Secretary

Australian Centre for Evaluation, Department of Treasury



Melissa Martino Executive Director, People &

Innovation Magistrates' Court of Victoria



Max Jacobs

Director, Strategic Partnerships, Analytics & Innovation

Victorian Centre for Data Insights



Natalie Bekis Assistant Secretary, Workforce

Planning and Strategies Branch Department of Health and Aged Care



Ash Dhareshwar

Head of Innovation and Improvement

Cenitex



Nikhil Patinge

Director, WoVG Data Integration (API Capability) Service

Department of Government Services



Adam Carthew Chief Information Officer





Service Victoria



Janet Rowe

Head of Emergency Management Commercial, Technology and Data

Department of Justice and **Community Safety** 



Andrew Henshaw

Director, Data Strategy & Governance, Business Insight and Analytics

Department of Transport Victoria



Marija Maher Chief Operating Officer

#### Victorian Ombudsman



**Trent Rhodes** 

Director of Road Safety

#### Department of Justice and Community Safety



Agresh Doshi

Digital Development and Solution Manager

Bureau of Meteorology



#### Innovate VIC 2023 Snapshot

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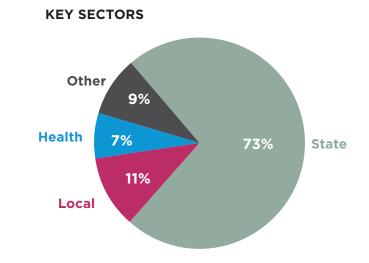
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#### **KEY JOB TITLES**

Business Management
Engagement
Digital Government
Digital Services
ICT Capabilities
Service Design
Transformation / Innovation
HR / Workforce Management
Communications / Marketing
Customer Experience

#### **TOP FIVE ORGANISATIONS**

- 1. Department of Health
- 2. Department of Transport
- 3. Department of Education and Training
- 4. Department of Premier and Cabinet
- 5. Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning



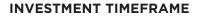
#### TOP INTEREST AREAS

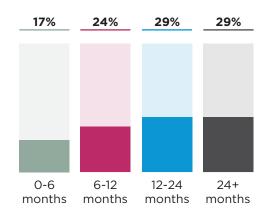


Data Management & Analytics

Business Process Transformation and Optimization

Digital Product Development





#### **DECISION MAKING ROLES**







#### 2024 Agenda

8:00am	Registration and Networking Coffee	
9:00am	Opening from PSN & Acknowledgment of Country	
9:10am	Welcome from Event Chair	
9:20am	Ministerial Address: Victoria's Digital Strategy	
9:30am	Partner Perspective	
9:50am	Government Keynote:	
	The Hon. Victor Dominello, Director, UNSW/UTS Trustworthy Digital Society Hub, Tech Council of Australia Board	
10:10am	Panel Discussion: How Victorian Government Departments and Agencies are Sparking Collaborative Innovation:	

Exploring Emerging Technologies to Solve Complex Challenges

This interactive Q&A expert collaborative discussion session will scrutinise the "innovation as usual" journey at VIC Government and showcase how technology and connected ecosystems are developing innovation solutions for a better Victoria. The panellists will focus on how Cenitex, and their industry partners boldly defined an agile, innovative, and smarter way of working together to transform delivery of services and citizen experiences in Victorian government.

#### **Moderator:**

Ash Dhareshwar, Head of Innovation and Improvement, Cenitex

#### **Panellists:**

Frances Cawthra, Chief Executive Officer, Cenitex Alexis Ewing, Executive Director Infrastructure Services, Cenitex Senior Executive Leader, VIC State Government Senior Executive Leader, Industry Partner

#### 10:40am Morning Tea and Networking

Streams	Citizen Experience & Digital Innovation	Data & Technology
11:10am	Welcome from Stream Chair	Welcome from Stream Chair
	Sanja Galic, Senior Client Partner, Publicis Sapient	<b>Su Jella,</b> <i>Director, Data &amp; Insights, Tennis Australia; Vice President,</i> Women's Tennis Foundation Inc

11:20am	<ul> <li>Government Keynote:</li> <li>CASE STUDY: How an Innovative Project and Collaboration between the Department of Justice and Community Safety and the Government Services improved the safety of Victoria's roads</li> <li>Improving the safety of Victoria's roads through a data-driven approach to rostering speed cameras</li> <li>How conventional methods of road safety can be enhanced with technology</li> <li>Improving data sharing and integration to support better decision- making</li> <li>Using AI to create models of complicated systems</li> <li>How to optimise a system without disrupting it</li> <li>Co-presented by: Trent Rhodes, Director of Road Safety, Department of Justice and Community Safety</li> <li>John Gehman, Senior Data Scientist, Victorian State Department of Premier and Cabinet</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Government Keynote:</li> <li>CASE STUDY: Democratising Analytics for Enhanced Efficiencies at the Victorian Department of Transport</li> <li>How we planned, implemented and tested the effectiveness of our strategy for fostering well-evidenced, informed, inclusive, real-time agility in decision-making</li> <li>Connecting our data sets together: matching congestion and bus networks with data modelling causality and asset performance degradation</li> <li>Enabling access to real-time key metrics enabled by collection of critical data points related to our assets e.g. trams, trains and buses</li> <li>How we have increased capability by investing in a new coding tool</li> <li>Improving operational decisions by effectively leveraging our wealth of siloed data</li> </ul> Andrew Henshaw, Director, Data Strategy & Governance, Business Insight and Analytics, Department of Transport Victoria
11:40am	Partner Perspective	Partner Perspective
12:00pm	<ul> <li>Government Keynote: Transforming the Courts of Victoria: Adapting to Operational Challenges with Innovation: When a Crisis Became an Opportunity for Transforming Legacy Systems, Service Delivery and User - Experience</li> <li>How COVID became the driver for the Courts to finally ditch our legacy paper-based records and digitally transform our data governance</li> <li>How transformation has affected our performance and service levels</li> <li>Designing an authentically accessible, inclusive and equitable, human-centered user-experience</li> <li>How we centered an optimal user-experience, digital inclusion &amp; accessibility designed for the diverse range of legal services and complex justice related needs of Melbourne's culturally rich melting- pot</li> <li>Melissa Martino, Executive Director, People &amp; Innovation, Magistrates' Court of Victoria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Government Keynote:</li> <li>CASE STUDY: Use of Artificial Intelligence and advanced analytics within the Victorian Health System: the Tools that are Saving Lives</li> <li>Using data linkage and predictive analytics to prevent hospitalisation of patients with chronic heart disease - saving lives and health system costs</li> <li>Harnessing machine learning technology to prevent antimicrobial resistance in hospitals - one of the biggest threats to our health system</li> <li>Using Al and learning algorithms to address a range of public health threats - ensuring the health and safety in Victorians</li> <li>Lance Emerson, Deputy Secretary, eHealth, Victoria Department of Health</li> </ul>

12:20pm	Partner Perspective	Partner Perspective
12:40pm	Panel Discussion: Prioritising Digital Initiatives, Cultivating Innovation, and Elevating Capabilities: Delivering Seamless Citizen Experiences on a Budget	Panel Discussion: Using Data and Analytics to Provide Strategic Insights and Trusted Advice
	<ul> <li>How can government agencies strategically allocate budgets to prioritise essential digital initiatives that foster innovation and elevate technological capabilities?</li> <li>What criteria should be considered when identifying and prioritising critical digital projects within the constraints of a public sector budget?</li> <li>How can collaboration with the private sector be effectively structured to leverage resources, expertise, and investments, enabling the public sector to advance technologically despite budget limitations?</li> <li>What are the key considerations for ensuring successful and mutually beneficial public-private partnerships?</li> <li>How do agile methodologies and incremental approaches contribute to making steady progress in digital innovation?</li> <li>What challenges and opportunities arise when adopting agile frameworks in the public sector?</li> <li>How can emerging technologies such as cloud computing, opensource solutions, and shared services be effectively harnessed?</li> <li>What role do collaborative platforms and information-sharing initiatives play in maximizing resource efficiencies?</li> <li>Nikhil Patinge, Director, WoVG Data Integration (API Capability) Service, Department of Government Services</li> <li>Karen Dermody, Director, Digital Business Partners; Department of Education &amp; Training, Victoria</li> <li>Agresh Doshi, Digital Development and Solution Manager, Bureau of Meteorology</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How can organisations effectively navigate the realms of trust, investment, and strategy to simplify the customer experience in the context of digital delivery within Victorian agencies?</li> <li>Optimising speed and citizen needs: during a transformation journey, what strategies can be employed to strike a balance between the speed of digital delivery and meeting the diverse needs of citizens?</li> <li>How does our workforce contribute to building trust, sharing knowledge, and influencing behavioral change among citizens making service related decisions?</li> <li>What key performance indicators (KPIs) should be considered to measure the impact of trust-building initiatives, investment strategies, and changes in mindset on the overall success of CX and digital delivery?</li> <li>Max Jacobs, Director, Strategic Partnerships, Analytics &amp; Innovation, WoVG Data Integration (API Capability) Service, Victorian Centre for Data Insights</li> <li>Eleanor Williams, Managing Director; Assistant Secretary, Australian Centre for Evaluation, Department of Treasury</li> <li>Janet Rowe, Head of Emergency Management Commercial and Budget, EM Technology and Data, Department of Justice and Community Safety</li> </ul>
1:10pm	Lunch and Networking	
2:10pm	Interactive Roundtable Discussions	

#### **3:10pm** Government Fire side Chat:

Future CIO/CDO/CTO: Key Skillsets and Strategic Priorities for Competitive Technology Leadership

- How do we urgently build our capabilities and become mature yet remain within budget?
- Navigating diverse technology landscapes: meeting evolving business and citizen digital needs while scaling initiatives
- Empowering the technology workforce for future demands: prioritising future-oriented skills and meeting digital/IT business needs
- Strategic investment decision-making in a competitive landscape: exercising discernment in new technology and digital service investments

#### Adam Carthew, Chief Information Officer, Service Victoria

3:30pm	Partner Perspective
3:50pm	Panel Discussion: Igniting Public Sector Innovation: Attracting Tomorrow's Talent through Next-Gen Recruitment Strategies
	• How can the public sector leverage emerging technologies and innovative methodologies to attract top-tier talent in a competitive market?
	<ul> <li>How can innovative funding models and strategic budget allocation be utilised to overcome budget restrictions and enable the public sector to offer competitive salaries, benefits, and incentives to attract and retain top talent in critical areas of innovation and expertise?</li> </ul>
	• What novel approaches or incentives can be implemented to entice skilled professionals to pursue careers in the public sector, particularly in fields traditionally dominated by the private sector?
	• In what ways can diversity and inclusion initiatives be integrated into recruitment strategies to cultivate a more dynamic and representative workforce in the public service and tech sectors?
	• How can the public sector adapt its recruitment processes to accommodate the evolving preferences and expectations of the next generation of talent, including remote work options, flexible schedules, and opportunities for career growth and development?

#### Panellists:

Marija Maher, Chief Operating Officer, Victorian Ombudsman Natalie Bekis, Assistant Secretary, Workforce Planning and Strategies Branch, Department of Health and Aged Care

#### 4:50pm Closing Remarks and Networking Drinks



## **G** Great networking and insights within Government for Government."

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Good opportunity to have a think about how we work and how we could innovate and change processes."

Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions

## "

## I would encourage my colleagues to attend the next event in 2024."

City of Greater Geelong

## "

The blend of speakers from both government and private companies provided a comprehensive viewpoint on the topics discussed."

Victorian Public Sector Commission

## **Event Schedule**

#### **FEBRUARY** Innovate WA Showcase WA WA **Cyber WA Showcase** NSW | WA | QLD | SA | VIC | QLD | NZ **HR & Future of Work Roadshow Future Series: Future Services** Virtual MARCH **Future Series: Health** Virtual NSW | WA | QLD | SA | VIC | QLD | NZ **Digital & CX Roadshow Future Series: Future Al** Virtual **Future Series: Future** Virtual Workforce **Future Series: Future Mobility** Virtual **APRIL** Innovate SA Showcase SA **Cyber SA Showcase** SA NSW | WA | QLD | SA | VIC | QLD | NZ Local Gov Showcase **Appian Roadshow** NSW | ACT | VIC MAY **Innovate Australia Showcase** ACT **Australian Cyber Security** ACT Showcase JUNE **Data and Analytics Roadshow** NSW | WA | QLD | SA | VIC | QLD | NZ

Innovate NSW Showcase

NSW

#### JULY

Health Innovation Roadshow	NSW   WA   QLD   SA   VIC   QLD   NZ
Cyber VIC Showcase	VIC
Innovate VIC Showcase	VIC
AUGUST	
Operational Excellence Roadshow	NSW   WA   QLD   SA   VIC   QLD   NZ
Australian Security Showcase	ACT
SEPTEMBER	
Safer Cities Roadshow	NZ   VIC   ACT   WA   SA   NSW
Innovate QLD Showcase	QLD
OCTOBER	
Cyber NSW Showcase	NSW
ICT & Cloud Roadshow	QLD   VIC   WA   SA   ACT   NSW
Health NZ Roadshow	NZ
NOVEMBER	
Innovate NZ Showcase	NZ
Cyber NZ Showcase	NZ
Smart Cities and Municipalities Showcase	NSW
Digital.NSW Showcase	NSW
DECEMBER	
Data and AI Showcase	ACT



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