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20 November 2019 - PPI Group Annual General Meeting - [Contact Mr Stuart Henry](#)



## Upcoming General Meeting and Industry Forum 26 May 2019 in Shanghai - China

The PPI Group General Meeting and Industry Forum will be held on 26 May 2019 at Neoperl's new Shanghai offices. It will start with the PPI Group meeting in the morning from 10am to 12noon, followed by a lunch. The Industry Forum will commence at 1pm.



## What to do next on the road to "lead-free" plumbing?

PPI Group's Management Committee has agreed on reviewing the "Lead in Drinking Water Position Paper" in particular being addressed the transition requirements and dealing with products already in the market place, a detailed explanation of what is meant by "wetted surface area" as required in the US, how this may affect different products available in the Australian market and Point of Sale requirements.

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## PPI Group - positive approach at Chinese expo

Mr Stuart Henry, Executive Director of PPI Group, will be presenting at the Industry Forum in Shanghai on 26 May 2019, regarding an overview of the PPI Group and also about the WaterMark Certification Scheme requirements for plumbing products in Australia, the Australian Standards, the Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards (WELS) Scheme and the Plumbing Code of Australia.

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## Registration status update: from 'ceasing' to 'expired'

The renewal period for WELS registrations ended on 5 December 2018. All registrations that were not renewed, paid and approved have had their status changed from 'expiring' to 'ceasing'. If your products are now 'ceasing' they may still be supplied until 22 July 2019. After this date your products will display the 'Expired' status and become unregistered. It is illegal to supply, or offer to supply, unregistered products in Australia.

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## WaterMark Consultation

The WaterMark administration has recently received a Proposal for Change to amended WMTS-468. The objective of this revision is to provide a consistent AS/NZS 4020 scaling factor for in-line devices in accordance with other Australian Standards and WaterMark Technical Specifications incorporating in-line valves.

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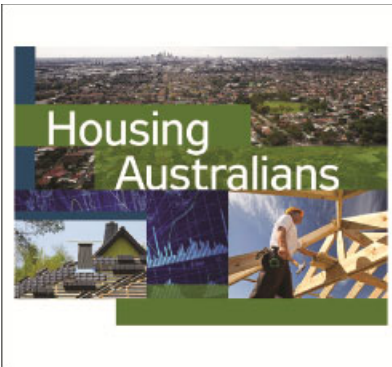
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## Forecasts lunch briefing - 14 May 2019

Purchase your tickets to this sit-down networking lunch from 12pm to 2pm at International Convention Centre Sydney. You will hear a summary of results of the ACIF Forecasts for May 2019 followed by a dynamic panel discussion by industry leaders on the prospects for the Australian construction industry.

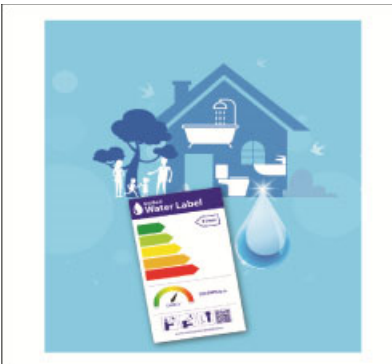
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## Interesting read - HIA budget submission

Australia has a long history of manufacturing quality building materials and has also established a strong and growing export market. In recent years the Australian building product industry has been subject to significant growth in competition from imported building products, not all of which have performed to the standards that government, industry and its clients expect.

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## Update on the European version of WELS - Unified Water Label (UWL)

The success of the UWL is now in the hands of the industry and the time is right for all manufacturers to show their support so that the target of 80% of units (taps and showers initially) sold display the label, can be achieved.

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## **DesignBUILD expo 14-16 May 2019**

DesignBUILD is Australia's leading event for the Architecture, Building, Construction and Design communities, bringing together over 7000 industry professionals. An invaluable opportunity to connect with peers, source quality materials, hear about legislation updates, and get insights into rising trends.

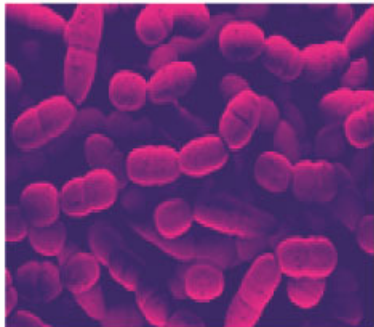
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Early bird registration is now open. The conference offers opportunities to share knowledge and expertise without borders. It is for participants and decision makers at all levels of industry. Book now to reserve your place in Melbourne 2019.

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## **Exploring copper's potential as antibiotic**

While antibiotic resistance is on the rise, pharmaceutical companies are making fewer and fewer new antibiotics. UA immunobiologist Michael Johnson says this trend is in urgent need of reversal and believes copper might be the key.

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## Now is the time to sign up for membership of the PPI Group!

PPI Group is the premier voice of manufacturers and importers of plumbing products used in the Australian plumbing industry. The Association is well presented on all relevant plumbing industry Australian Standards Committees and other national committees and groups. PPI Group members work together to deliver quality, safe products, fit for purpose for use by industry and consumers for their benefit and the safety of the wider community.

**SIGN UP AND GET INVOLVED!**

Best wishes,  
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