

ASCI January 2021 Newsletter: President's Report

Dear valued members,

I would like to welcome you to an exciting year with ASCI as we remain steadfast on our mission is to become the trusted Professional Accreditation Body for Supply Chain Management in Australia. In 2021, ASCI is focussed on providing:

1. Career pathways

The [ASCI Provisional Eligibility Assessment For Registration](#) (Associate or Practitioner) provides a pathway into supply chain management stream/s including procurement, operations, logistics, integrated logistics support. By 2025, all streams will lead to Professional Supply Chain Manager (PrSCM).

2. Career progression plans

The [ASCI Provisional Eligibility Assessment For Registration](#) has an in-built calculator, allowing self assessment of eligibility of points which highlights gaps for career progression plans.

3. Continued Professional Development

The theme for our Continued Professional Development (CPD) program in 2021 is Supply Chain Vision In The Decade For Action. The United Nations' "Decade for Action" calls for accelerating sustainable solutions to all the world's biggest challenges of which our global supply chains are not immune: global political, economic, geographic and social climates.

4. Networking

Our focus is accessible, affordable and safe platforms designed to foster engagement, and bring together like-minded professionals in your stream/s, including:

- ASCI2021 Conference and Awards Dinner – rescheduled for in-person experience
- ASCI Leadership Series (Hybrid experience combining online and in-person options)
- ASCI Executive Roundtables For Registered Practitioners (Driving thought leadership)
- Meet & Greets to build local professional networks (encourage in-person meet ups)
- ASCI Webinars
- ASCI Site Visits
- Short courses with Oliver Wight
- Professional Certification Classes or Self Study
- Instructor Development Program/Train The Trainer
- Partnered trade shows and hack-a-thons/challenges

There has never been a more important time to belong to a professional body. Join me in planning your career pathway, career progression plans and continued professional development and networking for 2021. Warm regards,

Alexandra Riha, President , Australasian Supply Chain Institute

Professional Accreditation Scheme

ASCI's Professional Accreditation Scheme provides industry-wide standards and consistency in the profession. This Professional Accreditation Scheme, through which individuals can register as Professionals, Practitioners and Associates, provides recognition of professional achievement against a globally aligned, industry accepted set of standards, on par with other professional disciplines.

Registration

Welcome and congratulations to newly Registered Practitioners and Associates who have been recognised for their professional achievement.

Alexandra Riha RegPracOps

Registered Practitioner (Operations)

Alexandra has been recognised for her professional achievements in operations management working for organisations in the pharmaceutical industry across the globe.

Justin Butcher RegPracProc RegPracLog

Registered Practitioner (Procurement)

Registered Practitioner (Logistics)

Justin has been recognised for his Masters education and 18 years' experience leading and developing procurement, supply and logistics in Australia's largest mining and manufacturing companies.

Sefiu Alabi RegPracProc

Registered Practitioner (Procurement)

Sefiu has been recognised for his academic qualifications and global experience in procurement, warehousing management, strategic operational management, project management, and supplier collaboration.

Ignacio Losada RegPracLog

Registered Practitioner (Logistics)

Ignacio has been recognised for his Industrial Engineering and Masters in Supply Chain management academic background coupled with 10 years working in supply, manufacturing, operations, and logistics in diverse industries like OEM, 3PL, and FMCG abroad and in Australia.

Tim Proust RegAssocLog

Registered Associate (Logistics)

Tim has been recognised for his 20 years in import, export, warehousing and domestic freight management.

Registration is an evidence based process of document uploads to your ASCI Profile, and a phone interview for the Practitioner class. Self assessments are downloadable [here](#) to help decide on your eligibility and your chosen stream.

Continued Professional Development (CPD) Program

The Professional Accreditation Scheme is supported by a Continued Professional Development Program for Registration Maintenance and ongoing professional development.

Conference | 20 CPD

ASCI2021: Supply Chain Vision In The Decade For Action

New Dates Announced - [view news release here.](#)

When: 28-30 July 2021

Where: William Inglis Hotel, Warwick Farm, Sydney (Day 3: Site tour to Western Sydney Airport)

Cost: \$1,800-\$2,000 (Groups of three or more \$1,870 pp) which includes the ASCI2021 Awards Dinner

CPD point Allocation: 20 points

ASCI Member Discount Code: ASCI2021 (10%)

ASCI Registered Associate Discount Code: REGASSOC (15%)

ASCI Registered Practitioner Discount Code: REGPRAC (20%)

This is a safe venue with adequate social distancing conference facilities and plenty of outdoor networking spaces.

[Visit the conference website!](#)



ASCI Executive Roundtables | 2 CPD

This series of lunchtime Executive Roundtables **is exclusive to ASCI Registered Practitioners** and runs every quarter for each stream, i.e four sessions for procurement each year, four sessions for operations, and so on. The sessions are valuable networking experiences with like-minded experts in your stream. Discussions from the roundtables will result in the potential development of new programs and CPD content for the community.

Schedule: March, June, September, December

Procurement

[REGISTER HERE](#) (Registered Procurement Practitioners only)

Operations Management

[REGISTER HERE](#) (Registered Operations Practitioners only)

Logistics Management

[REGISTER HERE](#) (Registered Logistics Practitioners only)

Integrated Logistics Support

[REGISTER HERE](#) (Registered ILS Practitioners only)

ASCI Leadership Series | 1 CPD

International Women's Day

To celebrate International Women's Day, ASCI is running an online panel discussion and corresponding luncheon events on the international theme #choosetochallenge which is in line with our annual theme "Decade for Action" - taking action on gender bias, inclusion and celebrating excellence.

As the first quarterly event for the ASCI Leadership Series in 2021, this executive panel will hone in specifically on career development and the inclusive measures that leaders must take to ensure that training, development and promotional opportunities are made equally available to members of the team, and at all levels of the team.

The panel discussion will run as a live webinar with Q&A, coupled with physical luncheon events in each capital city (strictly adhering to COVID-19 restrictions). The events in each state will include networking, catering and viewing of the webinar, with post webinar discussions moderated by the host.

When: Wednesday 10 March

[REGISTER HERE](#)

World Environment Day

To address World Environment Day, ASCI is running an online panel discussion and corresponding luncheon events on the international theme which is in line with our annual theme "Decade for Action" - and the United Nations' global sustainability goals.

When: Friday 4 June

[REGISTER HERE](#)

National Skills Week

When: Wednesday 25 August

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Global Ethics Day

When: Wednesday 20 October

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Professional Certifications | 10 CPD

ISM Certified Professional in Supply Management

Built on an in-depth analysis of supply management functions across industries, the CPSM program addresses the realities of supply management, as well as workplace complexities as globalisation, use of technology, and expanded competencies that supply management professionals employ to drive value in their organisations.

[SELF STUDY](#)

NEW! VCare Academy Certified Stores & Stock Controller

This professional certification studied over 18 weeks increases knowledge of the role of the store and warehouse, the functions of the store and warehouse personnel, how stock is managed and moved into through and out of the warehouse either to an internal customer or an external customer.

Course costs include workbook, Online Classes and Exam (plus one resit if needed)

18 x two hourly weeknights from 7-9pm AEDT - Classes start 28 February

[FEB - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[JULY - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

APICS Certified in Production & Inventory Management Part 1 - Basics of Supply Chain Management

11 x two hourly weeknight sessions online via Zoom with a Master APICS Facilitator

[MARCH - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[MAY- JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[JULY - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[SEPTEMBER - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

APICS Certified in Production & Inventory Management Part 2

18 x two hourly weeknight sessions online via Zoom with a Master APICS Facilitator

[MARCH - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[MAY - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[JULY- JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[SEPTEMBER - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

APICS Certified in Logistics, Transport & Distribution (CLTD)

18 x three hourly weeknight sessions online via Zoom with a Master APICS Facilitator

[MAY - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional

20 x two hourly weeknight sessions online via Zoom with a Master APICS Facilitator

[MAY - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

[AUGUST - JOIN THE WAITLIST](#)

Supply Chain Risk And Resilience Certificate

ASCI has partnered with Edukazi to deliver a three part online supply chain risk and resilience program which results in a Supply Chain Risk and Resiliency Certificate from Lehigh University PA USA when all three levels are complete.

Level 1

Level 1 is also called Foundation for Supply Chain Risk and Resilience Body of Knowledge and provides a level of appreciation regarding the elements of basic supply chain management.

[Visit the ASCI Store to register \(log in to receive ASCI Member price - \\$340.00\)](#)

Level 2

Level 2 will provide a tremendous amount of content that will assist you in operationalising the present-day tools, techniques, methodologies, metrics, frameworks and solutions to make these enablers work for you and drive the Supply Chain Risk and Resilience journey forward.

[Visit the ASCI Store to register \(log in to receive ASCI Member price - \\$650.00\)](#)

Level 3

Level 3 combines the knowledge of levels 1 & 2 into a Body of Knowledge on identifying, assessing, mitigating and managing supply chain risk and ensuring a resilient supply chain. Level 3 also leverages online resources, video clips from exemplar companies, personal interaction with the authors, Global Risk Indexes, Global Risk Standards and will require an Executive Report process, much like an MBA class.

[Visit the ASCI Store to register \(log in to receive ASCI Member price - \\$1,125.00\)](#)



Planning Food And Beverage Supply Chains
Wednesday 10 February 1-2pm AEDT | 10am-11am AWST | 12.30-1.30pm ACDT

Food and Beverage supply chains are growing in complexity. Trade tariffs, COVID-19, evolving product preferences, and customer delivery channels are examples of changes and disruptions which have impacted Food and Beverage manufacturers. Learn:

- What is keeping food and beverage manufacturers up at night?
- Supply Planning challenges of food and beverage manufacturers
- How can companies manage the challenges of today's marketplace?
- Benefits of better planning for the organisation.



Matthew Jackson
Victorian President
ASCI



Stephen Dambroski
Director of Food & Beverage
QAD Inc



ASCI Webinar Series

Planning Food & Beverage Supply Chains

Food and Beverage supply chains are growing in complexity, a trend that has been accelerated in this unpredictable year. Trade tariffs, Covid-19, evolving product preferences, and customer delivery channels are all examples of changes and disruptions which have substantially impacted our Food and Beverage manufacturers this year, and foreshadow the 'new normal' for the industry in 2021.

Join the ASCI Victorian Chapter for an interactive webinar with experts who will discuss:

- What is keeping food and beverage manufacturers up at night?
- Supply Planning challenges of food and beverage manufacturers.
- How can companies manage the challenges of today's marketplace?
- Benefits of better planning for the organisation.

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The Warehouse: Now More Strategic Than Ever

Tuesday 16 February 9.00-9.40am AEDT for CeMAT Digital

Fostering a culture where digital technology innovation and the associated learning is intertwined is the biggest challenge facing supply chain. Find out:

- What's happening in industrial real estate
- Future jobs and pathways in logistics
- Building a learning culture
- What to do NOW to future proof your logistics career

Don't miss this panel discussion with our experts, as part of this CeMAT Digital event, awarded 2 CPD points.



Geoff Palm
ASCI Director,
Education Officer,
Certification Instructor



David Raymond
Managing Director
Mobile Training
Technologies



Christine Miller
Head of Supply Chain
CBRE Advisory &
Transaction Services
Industrial & Logistics
ASCI Victorian Chapter
Vice President



ASCI is proud to be the endorsement partner for CeMAT Australia's Digital event for the intralogistics and materials handling industries.

Hear the ASCI panel discussion at 9am to kick off the day's presentations:

The Warehouse: Now more strategic than ever

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed warehousing forever. It is crucial to find the right balance between fostering innovation and resolving skill gaps. Fluctuations in demand are very difficult for most warehouses to handle. Add the challenge of labour and inventory shortages and it becomes a balancing act. Organisations are doing well to use technology-development strategies, but human intuition is still an important element in dire need of attention.

Crucial to organisations' technology-development strategies is support for supply chain practitioners to transition into emerging roles where we see frontline managers and material handlers engaging on a daily basis working alongside robots, programming machines for specific tasks and overseeing automotive work.

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Take aways:

- What's happening in industrial real estate
- Future jobs and pathways in logistics
- Building a learning culture
- What you can do NOW to future proof your logistics career

When: 9-9.45am Tuesday 16 February

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Improving Supply Chain Performance Via Systems Engineering V Model

Wednesday 31 March 1-2pm AEDT | 10am-11am AWST | 12.30-1.30pm ACDT

An overview of how the System Engineering V model can be used in combination with Lean Six sigma concepts, optimisation, standardisation and digitisation for enhancing performance of a product, project and asset life cycle. Take aways:

- Lessons learnt from incidents
- Technologies that will get a lift post COVID
- Top supplier goals, objectives and challenges in meeting KPIS
- Opportunities for supplier transformation available during concept select, define, execute, and operate phase for product, project/ assets and where can supplier quality go wrong
- Focussed improvements for standardisation, optimisation, and digitisation that can add valuable outcomes across products, project and Assets.



Suresh Prabhakaran
Quality (QA/QC) Advisor



ASCI Webinar Series

This webinar will provide an overview of how the System Engineering V model can be used in combination with Lean Six Sigma concepts, optimisation, standardisation and digitisation for enhancing performance of a product, project and asset life cycle.

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When: 1-2pm AEDT Wednesday 31 March

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Short Courses

Media Training Workshop 1 CPD

This is an exclusive short course for ASCI Registered Practitioners and Chapter Committees to participate in the ASCI Media Program.

When: 6-8pm Friday 19 February

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Train The Trainer 6 CPD

This online workshop is designed to enhance your communication skills, leadership development and professionalism. Attending TTT will increase your confidence and effectiveness as a trainer, consultant, team leader, project manager, salesperson or public speaker.

TTT is a 16-hr immersive experience over two weekends.

Starts 20 February

[MORE INFO](#)

Oliver Wight

There are a host of Oliver Wight short courses scheduled for 2021. Please enquire at the ASCI National Office to receive a 10% discount.

Anaplan Elevate | 4 CPD

ASCI and ASCI's collaboration partner, Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), have partnered with Anaplan to bring Anaplan's Elevate (Previously University Connect Industry Association) Program.

This is a free eight week program that ASCI Members can choose to do on their own, or, meet up with ASCI and CIMA peers and receive touch points from Anaplan to keep engaged and moving through the certification content.

When: Eight week program commencing 8 February 2021

Cost: Free to ASCI Members

[More info](#) (log in as an ASCI Member to view)

Or Program Commencing 1 March

[More Info](#)

ASCI Community News

Customise your ASCI emails

Log into your ASCI Profile. Select EDIT PROFILE and select Email Subscriptions to customise your preferences:

- Event announcements Advance announcements about upcoming events
- Email blasts: Mass emails from ASCI National Office, newsletters and other important notifications.

Member APP

We are seeking 50 members to trial our new member application, allowing for you to renew, register to events, and manage your CPD points all within one application. Please express your interest in the trial via enquiries@asci.org.au

Welcome

Welcome to our new members: Andrew Barber, Arma Aidoo-Sam, Mohsin Brohi, Ruchika Chauhan, Vanessa Coluburn, Beau Edwards, Jack Halaby Villegas, Ahmed Hassan, Kelvin Kelly, Clinton Matthews, Wasia Minna, Venkata Durga Prasad Moturi, Maria Velinda Quiray, David Raymond, Benjamin Ryan, Ying Wang.

Welcome back renewing members: Peter Strelnikow, Sandra Indramohan, Darren Hoste, Andrew McLean, Jackie Read, Stephen Morse, Dawei Lui, Stepehn McConnell, David Colburt, Tong Mo, Sheet Chordiya, Bin Fu, Wayne Beasy, Md Hossain and corporate members Motion Asica Pacific, Four PL, Campbell Arnott's and Deloitte.

Member meet & greets

Member meet & greets by state are an opportunity for members to connect and introduce supply chain experience, current roles in the ASCI Community and to explore interest areas for future Continued Professional Development program content. Hosted by ASCI's National Office or Chapter Presidents in each region, this is a great way to learn about ASCI's Chapters, the roles and the framework and meet your fellow supply chain leaders in your state or territory!

ACT Meet & Greet (fortnightly Thursday afternoons)

3pm AEDT Thursday 28 January

[REGISTER](#) (Log in as an ASCI Member to register)

SA Meet & Greet (fortnightly Thursday lunch times)

1pm Adelaide time Thursday 28 January

[REGISTER](#) (log in as an ASCI Member to register)

VIC Meet & Greet (fortnightly Thursday lunch times)

12pm AEDT Thursday 4 February

[REGISTER](#) (log in as an ASCI Member to register)

ASCM Case Competition

Good luck to our two University Teams competing in the 2021 ASCM Case Competition Regional Round in collaboration with Deloitte. Participating teams will present solutions to an exciting end-to-end supply chain management problem, as they compete for prize money and recognition. The case may involve distribution, logistics, sales and operations planning, inventory, and other operations management challenges. ASCM is proud of a rich tradition of student team case competitions.

Thank you to Flavio Macau and Deloitte Mentors Pragya Chaturvedi and Hoda Davarzani for taking the teams so far!

They include:

Regional Finalists Team 1 from Edith Cowan University

- Dawoon Too
- Duke Fernandos
- Fathima Afra Mohamed Azhar
- Aslan Nadeem

Mentor: Pragya Chaturvedi, Deloitte

Regional Finalists Team 2 from Edith Cowan University

- Harshad Mahajan
- Luke Hollyock
- Maleesha Wickramasooriya
- Vlad Rusu

Mentor: Hoda Davarzani

Who will make it to the final round in Texas in November 2021?

MEET A NEW MEMBER

Aitor Marroquin has been appointed as EV Cargo Technology's Key Account Director. With many years' experience in the supply chain and logistics industry, Aitor will be driving the customer experience and business growth of EV Cargo Tech's key accounts in Australia and New Zealand.

Aitor joins EV Cargo Tech with a strong background in supply chain and key account management. During his career Aitor has developed a deep understanding of international logistics having worked for different freight forwarders and shipping lines across different countries. Aitor has also worked very closely with global retailers helping them to optimise operations and bringing innovation to their supply chains. He holds a BA (Hons) International Business Management double degree from Spain and the UK.

"I am very excited about this new opportunity with EV Cargo Technology in Australia and New Zealand. I believe that there is a lot of potential for growth in the region and we are well positioned to help current and future clients enhance their supply chains.

"Working in partnership with our clients is critical for our success and I am hoping that we can embark on a joint journey towards achieving EV Cargo's vision, transforming logistics into a technology industry. I am very much looking forward to working closely and collaborate with ASCI and its members in Australia."

Aitor is based in Sydney, and you can reach him at aitor.marroquin@evcargotech.com or connect with him on LinkedIn www.linkedin.com/in/aitor-marroquin-82b5b938



ASCI Resources

ASCI webinars, podcasts and videos are available via our YouTube Channel. Access the entire library!

[ASCI YOUTUBE CHANNEL](#)



ASCI Lounge Podcast

ASCI Annual Conference Masterclass Facilitator Ishan Galapathy, gives a sneak preview of his Leadership Masterclass and shares the annual conference venue; dates; theme; topics; networking and sharing opportunities.

10 min podcast

[DOWNLOAD](#)

ASCI Lounge Podcast now has over 10,000 downloads! [Subscribe today on Spotify](#) to hear the latest news from your peers in supply chain management. To arrange a podcast interview, please contact Monique Fenech on 0439 320 152.



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Please visit your Member Portal within the [ASCI Website](#) to update your residential address so that the monthly MHD magazine can continue to be delivered to you. Alternatively, [click on the link to visit the digital version.](#)

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