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Victorian Ports Corporation CEO Rachel Johnson to feature at VTA Annual Women's Lunch

The speaker line-up for the Victorian Transport Association's Annual Women's Lunch has been further strengthened through the addition of new Victorian Ports Corporation CEO **Rachel Johnson** to the program.

"I'm thrilled that Rachel has accepted our invitation to address this important annual event as she is one of the most prominent members of the Victorian, and national, freight and logistics industry and will no doubt have a very compelling story to share with our guests," said VTA CEO Peter Anderson.

"Rachel is tremendously well-respected in the transport and business world, and is a tremendous example for both women and men who aspire to successful careers in the industry.

"In an industry where participation rates among women are still too low, Rachel has defied convention by advancing through senior roles in the private and the public sector. We look forward to hearing her story at our Annual Women's Lunch," Mr Anderson said.

Ms Johnson was appointed inaugural CEO of VPCM in November, 2016 shortly after the successful leasing of the Port of Melbourne's commercial operations to a private sector operator.

She has significant and wide-ranging experience of Australian freight and logistics businesses and the development and operation of transport infrastructure in both the public and private sectors, having held senior positions in New South Wales government bodies and the private sector.

Ms Johnson joins other confirmed speakers including **Dr Hermione Parsons** of Deakin University's Centre for Supply Chain and Logistics, and Viva Energy Australia General Manager, Human Resources **Jodie Haydon**, with the VTA working to confirm an additional speaker shortly.

VTA stalwart performer **Sarah Valentine** will also be on hand to entertain guests, who will also be treated to prizes and giveaways, and a delicious two-course lunch and beverages throughout the afternoon in the beautiful surrounds of Ascot House and its lush gardens.

Registration is available at www.vta.com.au

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