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## **The School Newsletter**

Welcome to another instalment of our monthly member newsletter. We've enjoyed several excellent launch events in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne the past few weeks. The School continues to grow and we're delighted that you're a part of it!

#### Visit the School's website here



### School Partners host series of Launch Events

The School has been showcased at a number of very successful Partner events across Australia in the past few weeks, including Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Brisbane. Even though the School is primarily a web-based online resource, its practical purpose is designed for the real world and real people. Physical events have been hosted by School Partners in NSW (Laing O'Rourke), Victoria (Dulux), WA (ISCA) and Queensland (Construction Skills Queensland (CSQ)). Read our press release.



### Senate enquiry into nonconforming products

The Australian Senate has referred an inquiry into the economic impacts of non-conforming building products on the building and construction industry. This will include an investigation into the supply chains, workplace safety, costs passed on to customers, the overall quality of buildings, regulatory frameworks and products

Read more about the enquiry here



# Global Connections in the Domestic Industry

Several large top tier suppliers in the Australian construction industry have had mergers with or acquisitions by international firms. The industry is clearly becoming international. Australia needs to learn how to adapt in this changing market to ensure its competitive edge. Read more here



# Revolutionising Ratings for Housing Sustainability

A recent study has found that most stakeholders in the housing construction sector see a need for reforms within the ratings for housing sustainability. Specifically, this relates to code compliance and energy efficiency. It is expected that changes to the frameworks for housing sustainability may occur within the next few months.

Read more here

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Dulux Group Accredited Trade** 

Expo

Date: Thursday, 23 July 2015

Where: Melbourne

Don't miss your opportunity for expert advice and industry insights. There will be an Expo, speakers stage featuring product and industry

specialists.













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