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## **LUCERNE AUSTRALIA BUSINESS SKILLS DAY – KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

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### **GRAYDON CHONG**

**Senior Analyst Grains & Oilseeds, Rabobank**



Graydon is principally responsible for the analysis of the grains and oilseeds sectors in Australia and New Zealand. He is also actively supporting the work of Rabobank's global grains and oilseeds sector team in looking at trade flows across the region, and more broadly at medium-term drivers of grains and oilseeds supply and demand. With a background in Agricultural Economics, Graydon has most recently worked for Viterra Ltd where he was responsible for managing their national Wheat, Barley and Sorghum Pools. Prior to this, Graydon spent several years at Graincorp in Sydney in their Risk and Grain Marketing Finance departments. Graydon will focus global agricultural trends, in particular in the grains industry.

### **ANDREW GOODE**

**Partner, Mellor Olsson**



Andrew was admitted to practice in 1978 and joined Mellor Olsson in 1981. He has qualifications in Law and Economics. He represents corporations and private clients in the areas of commercial, property, trade practices, finance, mining, insolvency, insurance and contract law. He has acted in the Federal and Supreme Courts with corporate takeover action and large personal injuries claims for overseas clients. He has represented rural landowners in relation to mining and exploration claims and access agreements. He is also regularly involved in the resolution of farm succession disputes. Andrew is a past President and Treasurer of The Law Society of South Australia.

### **CHAS CINI**

**Mediation Employment and Relations Services**



Charles (Chas) Cini, is the Principal of MERS. Chas has been an Industrial Agent registered in the SA Industrial Relations Commission and has appeared there on many occasions for unfair dismissal claims, and Agreement making and in the Court for money claims. As a former Human Resources Manager he is also well experienced as a practitioner in that field. He is also a member of the Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators of Australia (IAMA), the Registered Employers Group SA and Industrial Relations Society (SA).

### **WARRICK THORPE**

**Chairman, Lucerne Australia**



Warrick grew up at Meadows in the Adelaide Hills where the family-owned business runs a dairy farm. The business has expanded to the Upper South East and now includes a Lucerne property at Coombe. Warrick has entered the lucerne industry with an open mind, enjoying the challenge of growing lucerne for feed, hay and seed and is a valuable contributor to the industry as part of the Lucerne Australia team.