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### ALC Forum 2013 Throws a Spotlight on Safety in the Heavy Vehicle Industry

What steps have been taken to improve safety in the heavy vehicle industry and what more needs to be done to continue to drive down the number of fatalities on Australia's roads?

Find out at the **ALC Forum 2013** which is being held from 12-14 March 2013 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

"The latest heavy vehicle fatality figures from the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics show encouraging progress, with the number of fatal crashes and fatalities both falling during 2011-2012," said Ingilby Dickson, Session Chair and General Manager of Supply Chain, Blue Scope Steel.

"Despite these promising figures, both industry and government can and should do more, and so in the Chain of Responsibility and Safety session at the ALC forum we will analyse what steps need to be taken to continue to improve road safety outcomes.

"The creation of the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator and the establishment of the Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal in the heavy vehicle industry makes this session a not to be missed event.

"Both bodies are still in their infancy and it is timely to throw a spotlight on them to assess how they are going to lead to improved safety in the heavy vehicle industry.

"In addition, a number of incidents in recent months have highlighted safety issues in the industry and the Chain of Responsibility and Safety session at the ALC Forum will tackle this issue head on.

"Panellists will focus on this issue, including a discussion on how industry safety codes, such as the ALC National Logistics Safety Code and its consistent codes, play a positive role helping industry meet their Chain of Responsibility requirements.

"I'll be joined on stage at the ALC Forum by senior managers from industry, government and unions to discuss and debate these important safety issues," he said.

The Session Panellists are:

- Ingilby Dickson, Session Chair and General Manager of Supply Chain, Blue Scope Steel
- Nick Capp, President Retail, Linfox
- Michael Kaine, Assistant National Secretary, Transport Workers Union
- Richard Hancock, CEO, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR)
- Conor O'Malley, General Manager Logistics, Coles

The **Chain of Responsibility and Safety in the Logistics Supply Chain** session will be held at 1.30pm on Thursday 14 March 2013.

Following the Forum ALC will hold a workshop on the Retail Logistics Supply Chain Code of Practice (RLSC). The workshop, which is for RLSC signatories only, will feature guest speaker Richard Hancock, CEO of the NHVR, and Conor O'Malley, General Manager Logistics, Coles. There will also be a roundtable discussion with the RLSC Management Committee.

To download the Forum program or to register for the event, visit <http://alcforum.cvent.com>. We also invite you to follow ALC on Twitter @AustLogistics which will ensure you are kept up to date with key Forum announcements.

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