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PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERS FOCUS ON PROCUREMENT EXCELLENCE

Accountability, Transparency, Collaboration and Sustainability are the four principles of success cited by the Hon Jeanette Powell, Minister for Local Government, in her opening address to the delegates of the *IPWEA Vic Strategic Contract Management & Procurement Conference* held on Thursday 6th October 2011 at Melbourne Exhibition Centre.

Close to 80 delegates gathered to explore issues relating to procurement. Speakers from Victorian Auditor General's Office, Local Government Victoria, DPCD, State Government Department of Treasury and Finance set the scene. The program was rich in case studies with presentations from Colac Otway (a rural shire), Barwon Water (a water authority), Technologyone on getting your systems in order and GAA on standardising infrastructure design manuals. A lively panel discussion considered mechanisms to improve collaboration, roles of engineers and procurement professionals in an organisation, forward capital works planning, importance of procurement roadmaps and tips to improve procurement outcomes in organisations. The day was supported by Department of Planning and Community Development and Engineers Australia for the third consecutive year and the sponsor for the day was Technologyone.

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