

Celebrate BRISBANE

TESTIMONIALS FOR THE DESTINATION BRISBANE CONSORTIUM QUEEN'S WHARF DEVELOPMENT

Daniel Gschwind – Chief Executive Qld Tourism Industry Council

“We’re delighted that Destination Brisbane Consortium’s proposal has been selected. It will create an iconic and world-renowned integrated resort that can compete with the best in the world. Queensland’s tourism industry currently generates 241,000 jobs and \$23 billion in Gross State Product for the state. The existing operations of DBC partners in hotels, leisure, tourism and department stores will help to stimulate visitor demand to Brisbane. Tourism offers great opportunities for Queensland’s future but we need landmark investments like DBC’s to turn the potential into real jobs and income for the state.”

John Kotzas, CEO Queensland Performing Arts Centre

“Brisbane is very proud to celebrate culture and the performing arts, and this proposal will create a range of event spaces that will complement QPAC and forge direct links to South Bank. The Destination Brisbane Consortium’s international partners and brands will supplement relationships with QPAC, with our art galleries and will support broader government objectives for Brisbane and Queensland.”

Professor John Brannock, Director Urbis, Adjunct Professor in Town Planning at The University of Queensland

“Queen’s Wharf Brisbane will set a global benchmark in integrated development and public realm quality, with the delivery of a place-defining 24/7 entertainment precinct. From an urban planning perspective we are delighted with how this proposal will repurpose some of the greatest collections of heritage buildings and places in Australia in a strategic and sensitive way to celebrate Brisbane’s past and play an active part of the new precinct.”

Phillip Di Bella – Chair of the CBD Economic Development Board

“Queen’s Wharf Brisbane will create a new tourism drawcard for Queensland and drive substantial jobs, economic impacts and other benefits for Brisbane. It’s a game changer that will help unlock economic growth for south east Queensland by attracting international visitors and investment. This is a vision that the people of Brisbane can be immensely proud of.”

Chris Mountford – Executive Director Property Council of Australia

“The redevelopment of Queen’s Wharf is a city changing multi-billion dollar investment in Brisbane. This project is yet another demonstration of the important role the property industry can play in creating jobs, prosperity and strong communities. Large scale private investments such as this project not only shape our urban places, they are jobs and economic growth generators. The property industry is already Queensland’s largest private sector employer, and the biggest contributor to state tax revenue.”

Bevan Lynch – Chair, Urban Futures Brisbane

“Destination Brisbane Consortium’s proposal has been designed by Brisbane, for the people of Brisbane, by a team blending Queensland’s best creative talent combined with specialist international experience to deliver a uniquely Brisbane sub-tropical city precinct which provides the much needed connectivity from the CBD to the South Brisbane Reach of the Brisbane River, and in doing so creates city making public spaces and pedestrian links which connect the Queen Street Mall, Victoria Bridge, Southbank and the Botanical Gardens. This holistic integrated urban design scheme compliments and completes the City Centre Master Plan in this significant historic precinct of Brisbane.”

John Aitken – CEO Brisbane Marketing

“As we plan towards Brisbane 2022, the Queen’s Wharf priority development area will be a game changer offering Brisbane a world class fully integrated casino, entertainment, dining, retail, conventions, celebration and community precinct in our city’s historic riverfront precinct. It will enhance our local and visitor experience with an iconic development that will serve to link the City, South Bank Parklands, our Conventions and Cultural precinct and our greatest natural attraction, the Brisbane River. Importantly the successful proponent of the Queen’s Wharf project will carry the responsibility of becoming a key player in driving Brisbane’s global reputation as a competitive tourism, major events and conventions destination as well as one of the world’s top ten lifestyle cities.”