

The Next Workforce: leveraging flexible talent

Join Outsized for an engaging breakfast event, in honour of our ANZ launch. We will explore the next workforce, and how to best leverage, integrate, and manage flexible talent.

Discover innovative strategies and network with enterprise leaders over a delicious spread and a warm beverage.

Outsized is an on-tap platform for independent talent curated for consulting firms and enterprise clients. We shape the talent of the future, to keep you moving forward.

Day and time

7:30 AM to 9:30 AM
Friday the 23rd August 2024

Location

The Commons,
388 George Street, Sydney



Host Anurag Bhalla
Co-founder, Outsized



Host Sara Kahlau
MD ANZ, Outsized



Panellist Pete Cohen
Development Partner, RMIT;
System Innovator, Vibrance



Panellist Michelle Gibbings
Workplace Expert and Speaker;
Award-Winning Author



Panellist Ben Cooper
Blend Week Leader, UTS; Innovation
& Strategy, Time Under Tension

Agenda

7:30 AM	Arrival and breakfast
8:00 AM	Welcome and panel discussion
8:35 AM	Networking
9:30 AM	Formal close

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Invitees include

Deloitte.

accenture

BCG

BAIN & COMPANY

Manulife

standard chartered

ANZ

McKinsey
& Company

Capgemini **invent**

publicis
sapient

Ogilvy Consulting

Google

Meta

Abbott

About the speakers



**Anurag
Bhalla**

Anurag is the Co-founder & Chief Sales Officer at Outsized. Prior to cofounding Outsized he worked at Market Gravity (now Deloitte Digital) with a focus on innovation, proposition design. He also worked at Monitor Deloitte, leading projects related to venture building and proposition design. In his earlier career Anurag was Director of Innovation, Emerging Markets, at global insurer Legal & General, leading the development and go-to-market strategies of innovative propositions across Asian and African markets. At Outsized he first built the India business, before moving to Singapore to lead the APAC region.



**Sara
Kahlau**

Sara is the Managing Director for ANZ at Outsized. She has a background in strategy consulting with Booz & Co, where she specialised in growth strategies, operating model design, cost optimisation, and digital transformations. She then transitioned to industry roles as a Transformation Lead, Innovation Executive, and Chief Customer Officer (CCO) before moving into the independent talent sector. There, she built and scaled the Innovation and Experience consulting practice globally for Toptal, where she worked with Fortune500 and Global2000 companies to leverage flexible talent to get important work done. She is now launching Outsized in Australia and New Zealand.



**Pete
Cohen**

Pete is a Development Partner at RMIT FORWARD (Centre for Future Skills and Workforce Transformation), where he researches the networked nature of the future of work. Balancing roles as a management consultant at Vibrance, an independent innovation coach, and a musician, Pete embodies the portfolio career ethos. He advocates for shifting from transactional to networked talent relationships, enabling organisations and individuals to align skills with project needs more flexibly. This approach fosters innovation and drives mutual growth, helping organisations rethink their work systems for the future and adapt to the changing nature of work.



**Michelle
Gibbings**

Michelle Gibbings is the workplace expert. Internationally recognised, she is the award-winning author of three books (Bad Boss, Career Leap, and Step Up) and is welcomed on stages globally to help inspire leaders, teams and organisations to create successful workplaces. Her mantra is simple - help people thrive and progress is accelerated.



**Ben
Cooper**

Ben merges creativity with technology to drive business growth. With leadership experience at M&C Saatchi and The Monkeys, he independently consults across sectors, including Climate Impact, Mobility, Retail, and Luxury Hospitality. As founder of innovation studio Tricky Jigsaw, he is known for pioneering projects like the award-winning 'Optus Clever Buoy' and the NRMA Fireblanket. He also created the acclaimed Blend Week curriculum, nurturing emerging creative talent through industry mentorship and client challenges. As one of Australia's top creatives, Ben continuously explores new horizons in design and technology to solve real-world problems.