

# Laing O'Rourke renews strategic partnership with Robotics Australia Group

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Laing O'Rourke has renewed its strategic partnership with national peak body Robotics Australia Group for another twelve months.

Georgina North, Head of Technology and Innovation at Laing O'Rourke in Australia, said the partnership with the Robotics Australia Group will help to further accelerate the technology readiness and commercialisation of robotics solutions in Australia.

"Facilitating collaboration between robotics developers, industry, researchers and government, the Robotics Australia Group plays a key role in the progression of robotics solutions from the lab to the field for testing and back for refinement," said Georgina.

Laing O'Rourke's support also helps continue Robotics Australia Group's advocacy for the broader robotics industry and its ecosystem, particularly in influencing current policy discussions.

"The Federal Government is developing a National Robotics Strategy to promote the responsible production and adoption of robotics and automation technologies. Working with Robotics Australia Group, we can ensure the construction sector is front and centre in this discussion," said Georgina.

"From a construction sector perspective, the use of robotics has the potential to increase productivity, deliver certainty for our clients, and improve safety for our people. It is critical that Australian product developers, clients, and researchers coordinate our efforts and work with State and Federal Governments to achieve these outcomes. Partnering with Robotics Australia Group is an important step in this process," she added.

Nicci Rossouw, Robotics Australia Group's Chief Executive Officer said, "Laing O'Rourke has been a great supporter of our organisation since the beginning, and we're honoured to partner with them for another year as our sponsors from the construction sector."

“We also thank Laing O’Rourke for being a major contributor in the current robotics sector policy discussions, and we look forward to working together to realise our market’s potential,” she added.

Laing O’Rourke has been a long-term supporter of the robotics sector through subsequent sponsorships of the robotics industry roadmaps for Australia in 2018 and 2022, as a founding partner of the Robotics Australia Group, and as a major contributor to Australia’s National Robotics Strategy through industry consultations.

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