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Root Partnerships – A challenging blend of left and right brain capabilities

Specialist end-to-end project management firm Root Projects Australia Pty Ltd. will be rebranded as Root Partnerships on March 9 to reflect the complex, dynamic and resilient nature of the business.

Root Partnerships has been an active player since 1994 offering specialist advisory and project management services across a broad range of sectors including tertiary education, aviation, civic and cultural, health and ageing, infrastructure and justice in Australia.

Founder and Managing Director Peter Root said what is unique about Root Partnerships is that every project is exceptional in terms of its operation, delivery method or design aspiration.

“Root Partnerships is a high-performance business that embraces an increasingly complex world,” he said.

“Our industry and the sectors we work in require a combination of lateral, strategic and critical thinking applied to every project we undertake.

“Increasingly we are dealing with very high financial, technical and contractual complexities, while our projects are demanding exemplar design, stakeholder, communication and consultation outcomes so it becomes a real balancing act,” he said.

Additionally, Root Partnerships’ applied thinking methodology, which uses a new proprietary model to assist in solving complex problems and creating innovative solutions, has enabled the team to identify key challenges and opportunities upfront.

The Inner Sydney High School project, currently being managed by Root Partnerships, for the NSW Department of Education will be one of the first high-rise schools in Australia. To be delivered in two stages, the project will be built on the site of the existing Cleveland Street Intensive English High School to meet the growing secondary enrolment demand in the Sydney metropolitan area. Due to be completed by 2020, the school will feature future - focused 21st century learning practices for teaching English, flexible teaching spaces and adaptable room configurations to provide a rich technological learning environment. It will include a mix of new and heritage refurbished buildings.

“Root Partnerships will provide project management services to ensure that the design brief captures and conveys the educational aspirations for the project, and at the same time that the delivery of design and construction meets cost, time and quality objectives of the Department.” Mr Root said.

The Australian War Memorial is an Australian cultural institution of international standing and has been one of Root Partnerships most noteworthy projects. Root Partnerships has managed the redevelopment work over the past 18 years, delivering a world-class museum and visitor experience.

As Mr Root explained the Australian War Memorial is one of the most successful cultural institutions in the country.

“The Memorial’s perennial challenge is to remain relevant as the nation evolves and to convey a meaningful representation of the Australian experience of war to new generations who perceive the world in diverse ways,” he said.

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Other projects Root Partnerships has been actively involved in include the University of NSW (UNSW) Faculty of Medicine, the Kirby Institute and the School of Electrical Engineering at UNSW where construction has just commenced.

The Melbourne Wholesale Markets at Epping and Melbourne Airport are two other projects that Root Partnerships has managed, and continues to be, actively involved in.

“Our history and primary focus has been to work on projects that have a unique characteristic about them. When we have worked on major international airport terminals the focus has been on managing highly complex day-to-day operations during construction, while designing and building a facility that is going to optimise passenger and airline services, high levels of security, and effective people movement,” he said.

Mr Root said it is often assumed that project management relies primarily on technical expertise, but at Root Partnerships this is only half the story.

“A sound technical knowledge is imperative, but so too are strong advocacy skills, the capacity and enthusiasm for leadership to mobilise entire project teams, and the ability to think on one's feet.

“We see project management as requiring a challenging blend of left and right brain capabilities. Extraordinary results are delivered by extraordinary people,” he said.

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About Us

Root Partnerships is a specialist in end-to-end project management focusing on major building and infrastructure environments characterised by civic, technical stakeholder and operational complexity. A combination of lateral, strategic and critical thinking is applied to every project undertaken. Known as applied thinking, it is at the core of the Root Partnerships' business and what enables the team to offer insightful and effective advice, solve complex problems and expertly deliver a diversified range of projects from inception to completion.

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