



# bright future – shining stars

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Welcome to Bright Future, Shining Stars, an event tailor made for the stars of tomorrow in science, information technology and engineering and guess what guys? That's you. My name's James Moody, I've got the very lucky job today of being your MC. We have three amazing panellists but before I introduce them, I'd like you all to take a second and think a little bit, what is today about and why are you here?

Today is obviously about careers and you've got these wonderful things out the back here, but what else might it be about? For me, today is about passion. It's about thinking about what you might want to do in your future and how you might be able to follow that passion. So joining us today, we actually have three women working in science, engineering and ICT, information communications technology, who have not only extremely interesting and diverse careers but they also have a lot of passion, a lot of passion for the things that they're doing.

I'll introduce them fully later but we do have Miranda Forward, who works for developing games on mobile phones, Melissa Griffith, who was named as one of Australia's top 100 most influential engineers in 2005 and Associate Professor, Jennifer Martin, who's a world leading research scientist in drug design and molecular biology. They've all given up their time freely today 'cause they share a great belief in encouraging the next generation of scientists, engineers, and information technology professionals.



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