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### Blinking Fast and Slow (The importance of cognitive biases)

**Main Speaker: Billy Grierson**

In 2005, Malcolm Gladwell published the book "Blink. The Power of Thinking Without Thinking." In it he argued that it is better to trust our gut instinct than to take time to think about a decision. In 2011, Nobel Laureate, Daniel Kahneman published the book "Thinking, Fast and Slow", which argued the exact opposite. Both books laid out good evidence to back up their claims and both authors are well respected in their fields. So, which is right? Is it better to take time to consider decisions, or should we just trust our instincts? Actually, the answer is that both are right.

This presentation will look at how the mind processes information, why our instinctive responses can lead us astray, and when it is better to trust them.

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**SPEAKER**  
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**Billy Grierson, Perth Innovation**

Billy spent more than 30 years in the chemical industry. Working globally for Ciba and BASF, and with external contacts such as P&G, Beiersdorf, Lawter, Akzo-Nobel, Sun Chemical and other ink makers, Sopheon and Leeds University, he has developed an understanding of how companies fail to solve problems and what tools and techniques can be used to improve their success rate. These tools have been applied successfully across a wide range of industries (Chemical, Engineering, Water Treatment, Construction, Electronics, Oil and Gas). Billy now has a consultancy called Perth Innovation. As the name suggests, it is based in Perth and is focused on all aspects of Innovation including making these tools and techniques available to an even wider range of companies and industries. the management of that phase.

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