



## **CRC TiME Forum Keynote Biography – Patrick Walta**

Patrick Walta is a qualified metallurgist, mineral economist and board executive with experience across both technical and commercial roles within the mining and water treatment industries.

Graduating from Melbourne University with degrees in Chemical Engineering and Science, Patrick has gone on to complete postgraduate studies including an MBA, Masters of Science (Mineral Economics) and a Diploma of Project Management. In addition, Patrick is a graduate of the AICD's Company Directors Course. In 2015 Patrick was awarded Young Achiever of the Year at the Australian Mining Prospect Awards and in 2018 was awarded the Mining News Emerging Leader of the Year Award.

In 2017 Patrick founded New Century Resources and became Managing Director following the successful negotiation and acquisition of the Century Zinc Mine in QLD. His role is focused on leading the Company in all facets of the operations, again establishing Century as a one of the top 15 zinc producers globally while also facilitating the 'economic rehabilitation' of the mine site.

Patrick also has a broad level of resource industry experience through Rio Tinto, Clean TeQ, Citic Pacific Mining, Cradle Resources, Carbine Resources and Primary Gold.