

Amotai Delegation

CONNECT 2026

Beyond the Horizon

08 - 14 August, Perth Australia



Amotai is proud to lead our fifth consecutive delegation to Supply Nation CONNECT – Australia's premier Indigenous business event.

For the first time, CONNECT heads west to Boorloo (Perth), on the lands of the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation.

What began as a learning journey for Amotai members has evolved into something much more – a strategic, kaupapa-led platform for connection, collaboration, and business opportunities. Each year, our delegations return stronger, with deeper relationships, new pathways opened, and greater confidence to engage on a global business stage.

This delegation is designed to prioritise relationship building and partnership development, rather than transactional outcomes.

Why This Matters Now

In a rapidly changing global environment, shaped by economic uncertainty, supply chain disruption, and rising costs, organisations are being challenged to think differently about business growth and resilience. Being a part of Amotai opens a new avenue of connections and business opportunities for organisations - indigenous B2B.

Australia continues to see growth in the indigenous business sector as a result of the indigenous procurement policy. There is a real opportunity to work in partnership with indigenous businesses to grow opportunities on both sides of the Tasman.

The delegation offers:

- Pathways to diversify beyond local markets
- Access to established Indigenous economies
- Insight into resilient, values-led business systems
- Relationships grounded in reciprocity, not just transaction

This is an investment in future positioning, capability, and long-term opportunity.

Why Travel with Amotai

Travelling with Amotai means you are part of something intentional, connected, and designed for impact.

As a sister network to Supply Nation, Amotai holds a unique position within the global Indigenous supplier diversity ecosystem – enabling deeper connection, trusted access, and meaningful engagement across borders.



Curated Access

We don't just attend CONNECT— we open doors. Amotai facilitates targeted introductions with Indigenous businesses, buyers, and partners aligned to your sector and aspirations, building on established relationships with Supply Nation and its network.

Collective Strength

You travel as part of a trusted, values-aligned delegation, building relationships within a cohort that often become as valuable as the international connections themselves.

Context & Connection

We provide insight, guidance, and connection into the Indigenous business landscape, ensuring you engage in a way that is informed, respectful, and meaningful.

Ongoing Impact

The value doesn't end in Perth. Delegates return with connections, insights, and opportunities that are activated back in Aotearoa, contributing to the wider movement.

What is CONNECT?

CONNECT 2026 is Australia's leading Indigenous business event, bringing together entrepreneurs, corporates, government, and community leaders from across the Indigenous economy.



Programme Highlights

- Knowledge Forum – insights, policy, and leadership
- Indigenous Business Tradeshow – capability and innovation
- Networking Events – meaningful connection
- Gala Awards Dinner – celebrating excellence

Theme: Journey – reflecting progress, resilience, and legacy.

Strategic Opportunity - Western Australia

Western Australia is one of Australia's most significant economic regions, with strong activity across:

- Mining and critical minerals
- Renewable energy and energy transition
- Defence and major infrastructure

It is also home to a mature and highly connected Indigenous business ecosystem, with many Aboriginal businesses operating across these sectors – from technical services and engineering through to cultural capability, environmental management, and professional services.

For Amotai delegates, this creates an opportunity to:

- Build relationships with Indigenous businesses already operating at scale
- Explore partnership and collaboration opportunities within established supply chains
- Gain insight into how Indigenous businesses are positioned within major projects and industries
- Understand pathways into the Australian market through trusted, Indigenous-led networks

This is not about direct market entry overnight – it is about building the relationships and understanding required to participate meaningfully over time.

What will you gain?

For Suppliers

- Build relationships with Aboriginal businesses across key sectors in Western Australia
- Explore Indigenous-to-Indigenous partnerships and collaboration opportunities
- Learn how businesses are working within large-scale industries such as mining, energy, and infrastructure
- Gain insight into pathways for future market entry and export readiness

For Buyers

- Understand how supplier diversity is being implemented within major industries and projects in Australia
- Learn how Indigenous businesses are engaged within complex supply chains
- Build relationships with Indigenous enterprises and intermediaries supporting these sectors
- Bring back insights to strengthen your own procurement and partnership approaches

The Experience

This is a fully immersive, curated delegation designed to maximise both connection and opportunity.

Indicative programme:

- 08 Aug – Depart Aotearoa
- 09 Aug – Welcome to Country

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- 10 Aug – Business meetings
- 11 Aug – Knowledge Forum & networking
- 12 Aug – Tradeshow & Gala Awards Dinner
- 13 Aug – Return to Aotearoa

Bookings

This delegation is designed for organisations who are ready to learn about how supplier diversity is creating opportunities for indigenous peoples across Australia and engage, connect, and explore business opportunities beyond Aotearoa. Delegates are responsible for securing their own funding. Amotai can provide letters of support where applicable.

Travel costs, inclusions and bookings are available through our travel partner and Amotai supplier - Aupiki Travel. Click here to register [CONNECT 2026](#).

Key Dates

Weeks until departure	Date	Action
15 weeks	24 April	Bookings open \$500 deposit due upon confirmation
10 weeks	27 May	Final Payment Due
4 weeks	14 July	Conference app available for connections