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Scientist, educator and entrepreneur Dr Erol Harvey has made outstanding contributions to Australia through the world-leading microfluidic engineering company MiniFAB. In this seminar, he will share insights and experiences from his academic career and consistent work in research commercialisation and entrepreneurship.

About the Speaker: Dr Erol Harvey co-founded the export-oriented business MiniFAB in 2002, which is now a world-leading provider of custom-designed and manufactured microfluidic and medical devices. He also formed the Small Technologies Cluster, an incubator supporting researcher access to MiniFAB's facilities and providing dedicated infrastructure to accelerate the commercialisation of new high-value medical device technology.

Dr Harvey was elected a Fellow of ATSE in 2006 and in recognition of his achievements, he was named Enabling Technology Entrepreneur of the Year by the Victorian Manufacturing Hall of Fame. In 2011, MiniFAB was awarded the inaugural "Enabling Technology Company of the Year" and in 2018 Dr Harvey was awarded the prestigious Clunies Ross Award for Entrepreneurship.

Dr Harvey gained a PhD in Plasma and Laser Physics from Monash University and worked as a researcher in Oxford, UK, before joining his first startup to commercialise laser micromachining. He returned to Australia in 1999 to become a Professor of Microtechnology at Swinburne University.

He is currently head of development and translation at the Bionics Institute, working with researchers to deliver patient impact in the field of neurostimulation.

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