



Future Capabilities:

**Automation, workforce disruption and
quantifying the reskilling task and
capability requirements**

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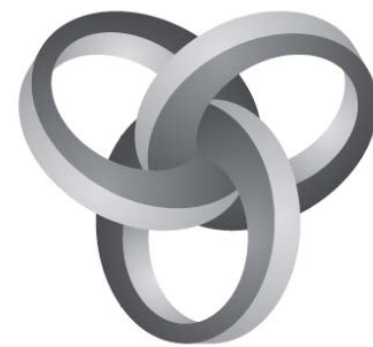
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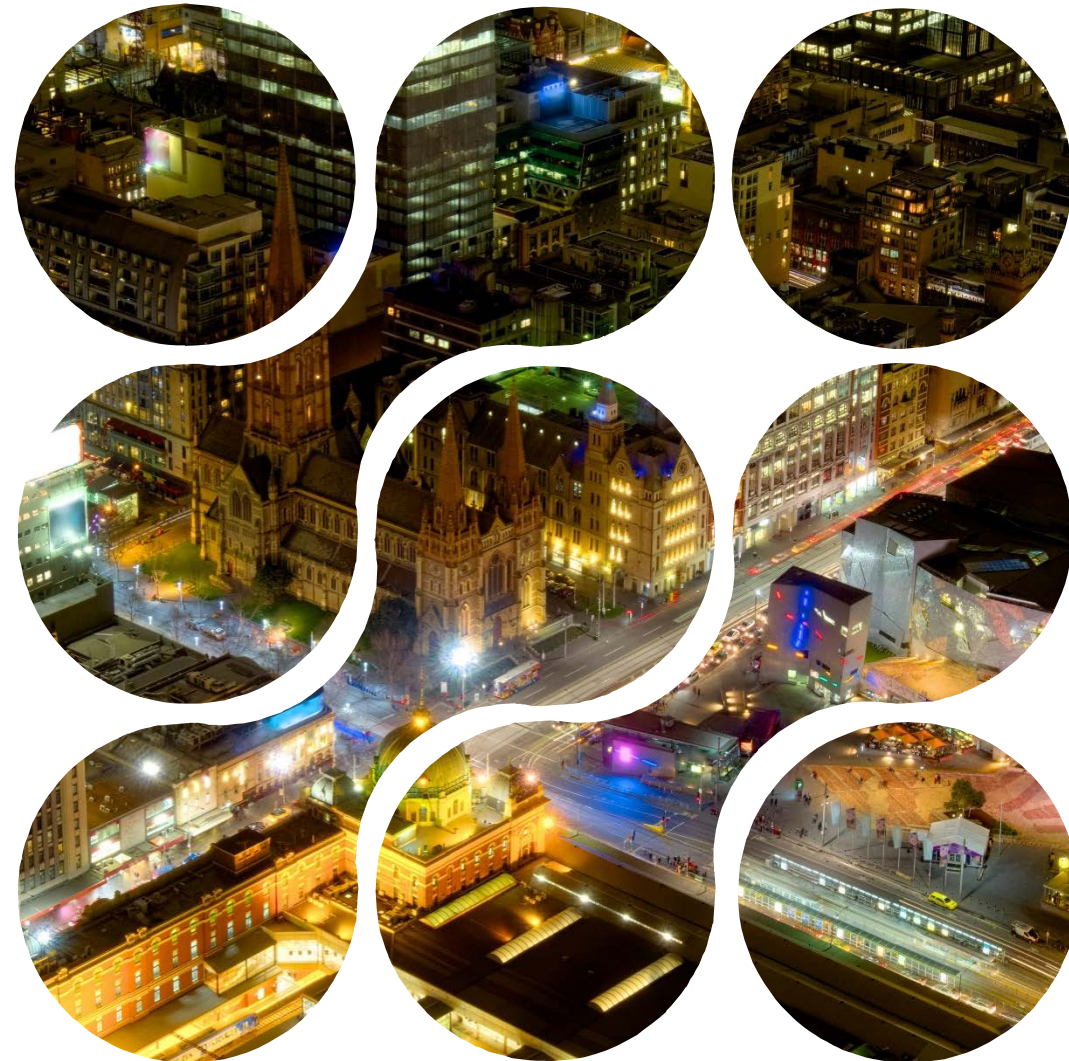


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Why research future capabilities?



With the wave of automation and digitalisation sweeping across every facet of business today, how do we navigate the disruption and future-proof ourselves and our employees?

Participant, industry focus group, May 2018



Our focus

Despite claims by high profile journalists and policy makers to the contrary, researchers do have insights that offer insights into the future of work and skill requirements.

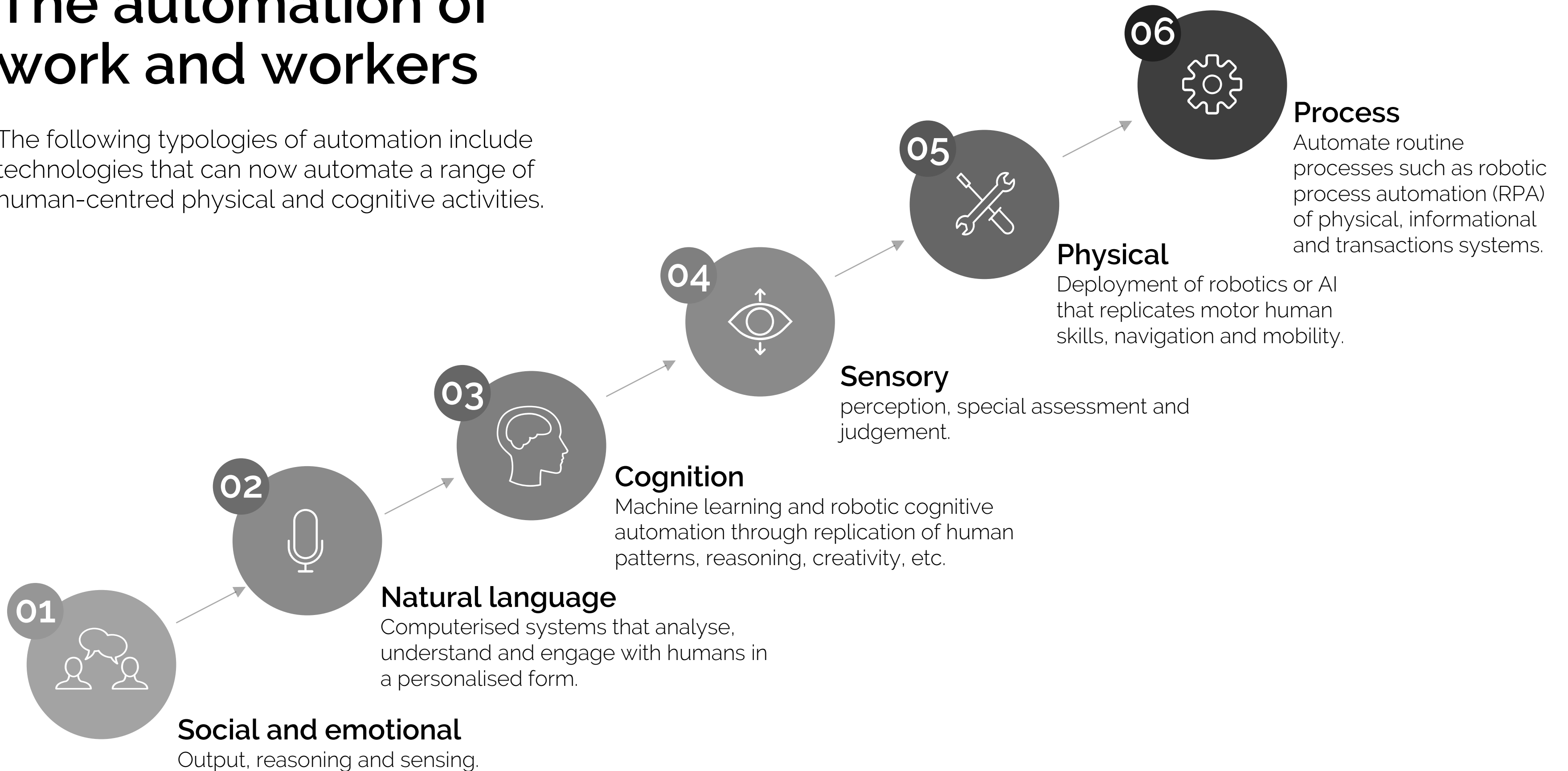
Drawing on over two decades of research into workforce capabilities, predicative analysis and occupational foresighting this document answers two important questions:

1. In light of automation and job disruption, how large is the reskilling task facing the Australian labour force?
2. What capabilities will underpin future work and employability?

Answers to both these questions should be used to better inform how we reinvent the higher education system to be more relevant and responsive to market demand.

The automation of work and workers

The following typologies of automation include technologies that can now automate a range of human-centred physical and cognitive activities.

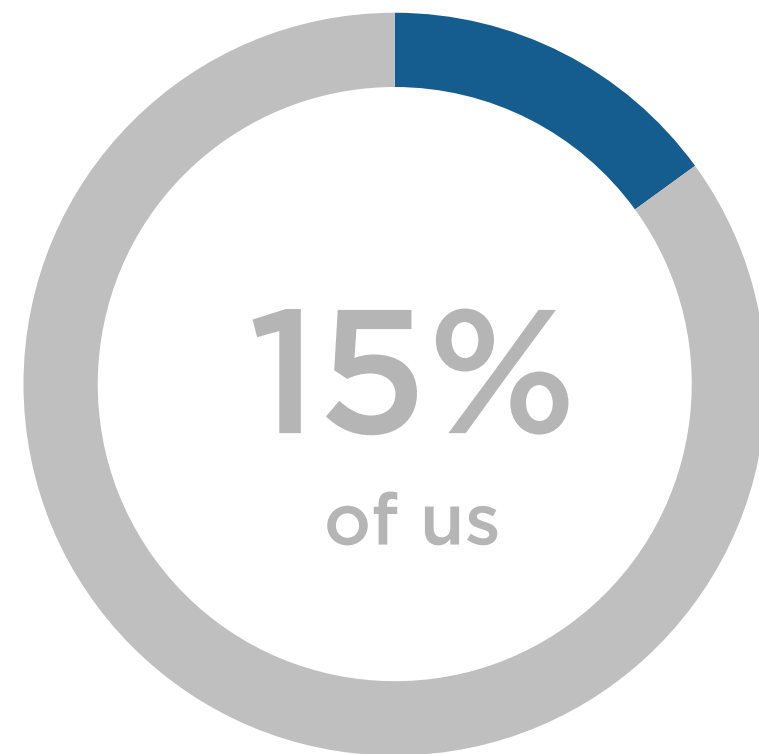


Within 6 years

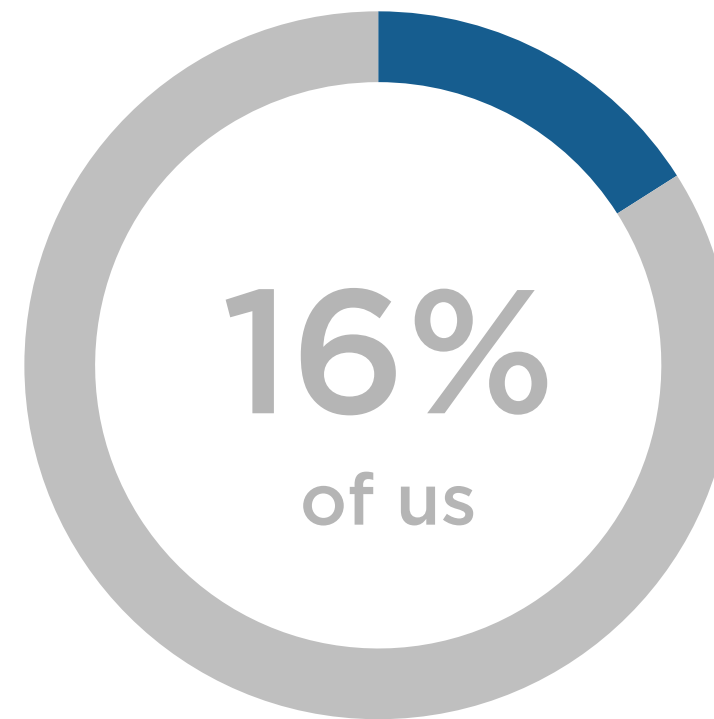
2019 to 2025

While job loss is of great concern, the belief that 40% of all jobs will be lost due to automation by 2016, causes anxiety but is substantially inaccurate.

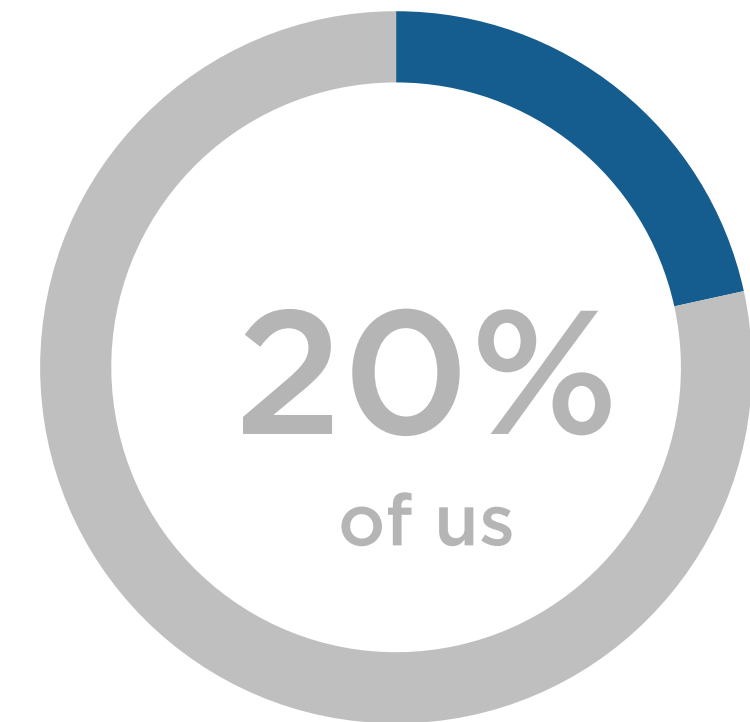
Using the Australian Bureau of Statistics data (6202.0 - Labour Force, Australia, October 2018) there were 12,665,800 employees in the Australian workforce in October 2018. Applying the data from Faethm for the future workforce, we have a much clearer idea of the job loss, job creation, and the skilling task Australia will face. The major debate has to focus on how we will transform the existing workforce capabilities to stay in work and assure the capabilities of all new graduates who can no longer rely on technical skills to access employment in occupations that may no longer exist.



1.9m workers will lose current jobs as machines replace human tasks

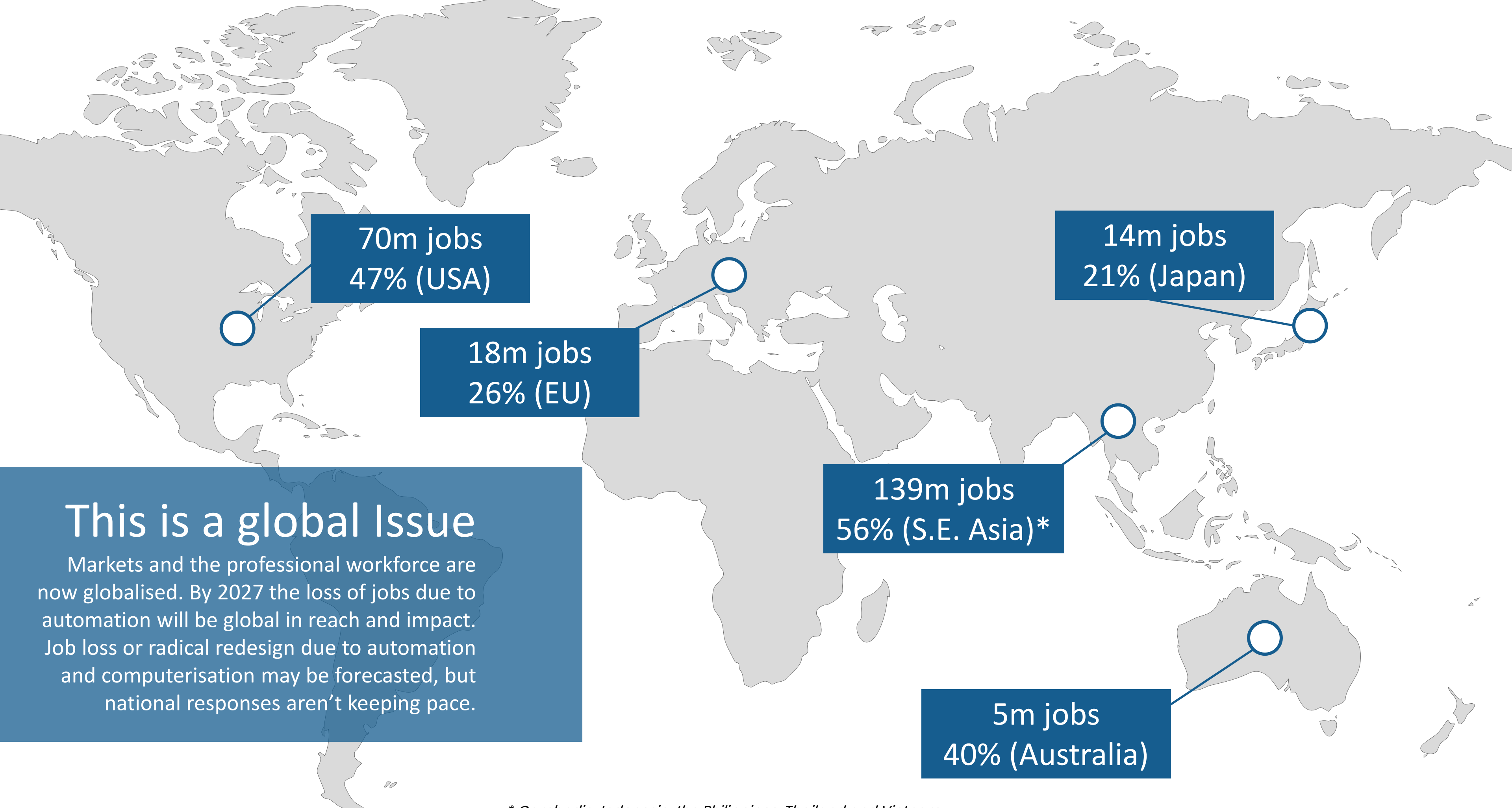


Over 2m workers will require major reskilling to stay in their current job as technology significantly augments certain jobs



2.4m workers will move to a job that doesn't exist today as jobs emerge

Source: Faethm data using their predictive platform, released 18 December 2018; data modelling employment in all industries, Australia November 2018 to November 2025. Numbers of workers based on ABS (2018) 6202.0 *Labour Force Australia October 2018* reporting total employment of 12,665,800 workers.



70m jobs
47% (USA)

18m jobs
26% (EU)

14m jobs
21% (Japan)

139m jobs
56% (S.E. Asia)*

5m jobs
40% (Australia)

This is a global issue
Markets and the professional workforce are now globalised. By 2027 the loss of jobs due to automation will be global in reach and impact. Job loss or radical redesign due to automation and computerisation may be forecasted, but national responses aren't keeping pace.

* Cambodia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam estimates as at July 2017

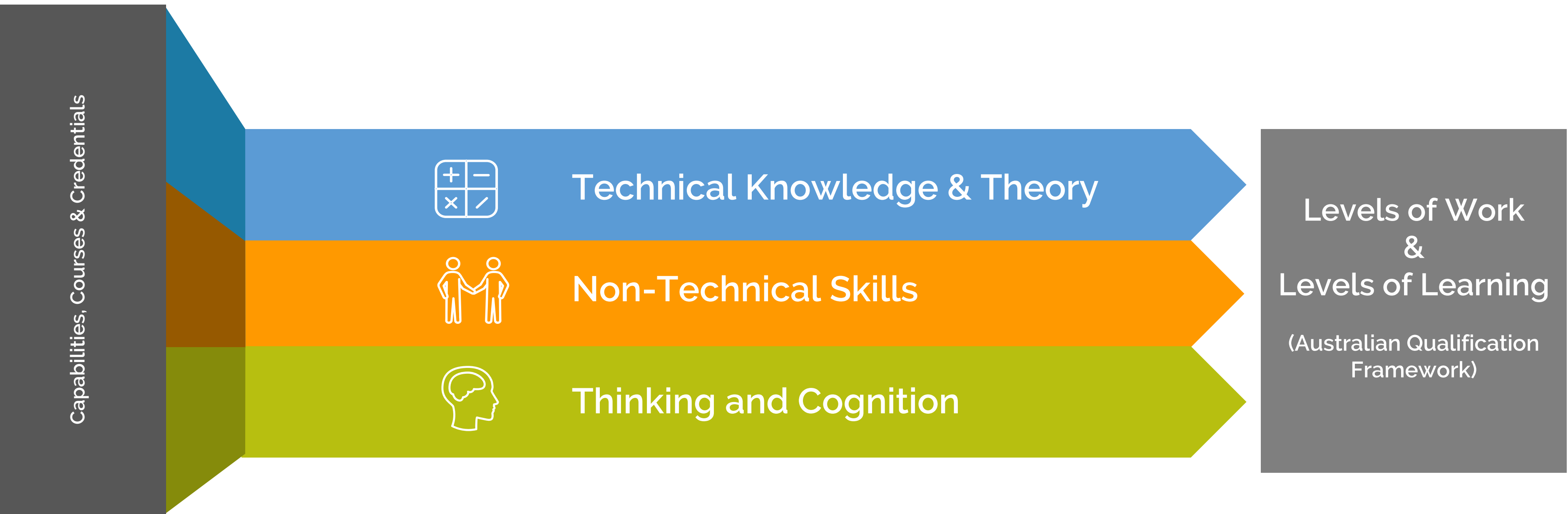


Future Capabilities the view in late 2018

The following slides represent the latest research Working Futures™ is doing on future capability frameworks for professional, educational, and corporate clients. Most are works in progress and build off previous global research and findings. While leadership capabilities have also been a major area of research, generally the leadership capabilities have been distinct to the core future capability frameworks reported on the following pages.

Capabilities required for future work

The design logic for capabilities typically span three domains.



Future skills: Research based conclusions

There has been significant research undertaken across the globe on future skills or capabilities. Much of the research has focussed on the skills humans need that cannot be easily automated or provide careers in the future workforce. The research is well grounded, rigorous and starting to concentrate on a consistent set of core requirements both for work and for navigating the disrupted global labour markets. For instance, Deakin University undertook an 18-month, million dollar DeakinDigital project with IBM Watson that analysed 60,000 current and future global jobs to reach their conclusion.

Oxford Martin School (2016)	DeakinCo. (2014)	OECD Global Workforce Core Competencies (2016)	Department of Education Foundations Skills (2015)	World Economic Forum Top 10 Future Skills Australia (2018)
Sense-making Social intelligence Novel and adaptive thinking Cross-cultural competency Computational thinking New media Literacy Transdisciplinarity (work across disciplines) Design Mindset Cognitive Load Management Virtual Collaboration	Self-management Communication Teamwork Problem Solving Critical Thinking Digital Literacy Global Citizenship Innovation Professional Ethics Emotional Judgement	Analytical thinking Flexible Thinking Strategic Thinking Manage Resources Achievement Focus Diplomatic Sensitivity Teamwork & Team Leadership Organisational knowledge & alignment Negotiating and Influencing	Self-management Communication Teamwork Problem Solving Technology Learning Interactive & Enterprise Skills Planning & Organising	Creativity, originality & initiative Analytical thinking & innovation Active learning & learning strategies Technology design & programming Complex problem-solving Critical thinking & analysis Leadership and social influence Emotional intelligence Reasoning, problem-solving & ideation Resilience, stress tolerance & flexibility

CApable Draft Model

Example from initial research by Chartered Accountants ANZ:

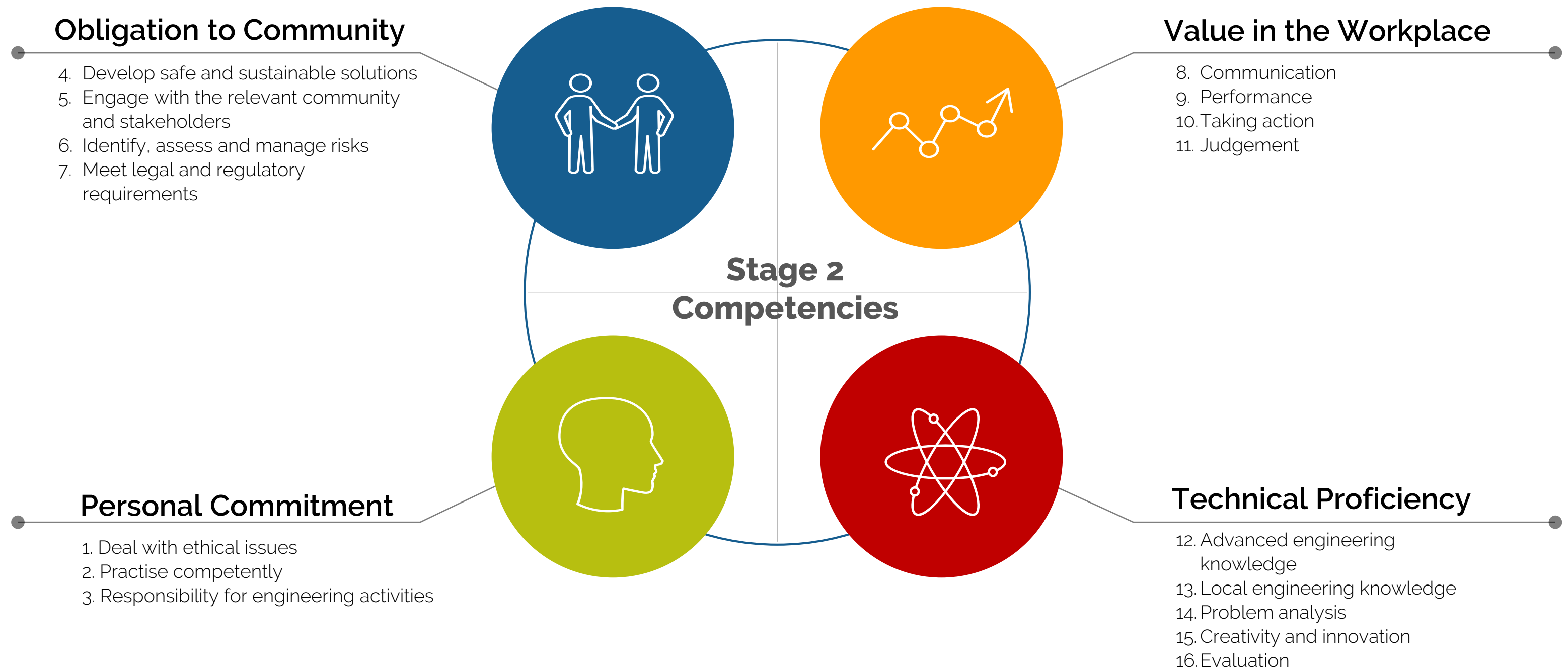
Less is more. The CA model illustrates how a macro-level, trans-national workforce strategy relies on isolating the most important capabilities across four domains. This allows the framework to flex and evolve. It can maintain relevance while keeping an undiluted focus on the priority skills required to transition the existing profession or help those entering the workforce remain employable. The model will be validated and tested with stakeholders in early 2019.



Engineers Australia Model

Example from EA Professional Stage 2 Competency Model:

EA has a national competency model that aligns to international standards. For graduates EA propose the future engineer will require a mix of 16 elements across four competency domains.



QTAC Future Capabilities

Example from Queensland tertiary Admissions Centre Future Capability Dictionary:

The capabilities underpinning the badging, verification and credentialing regime by partner universities spans three domains and 14 core capabilities required by future workers seeking employment. They have been isolated as part of a review of global research. They will be stress tested with clients in early 2019. The capabilities have also been mapped against higher education graduate learning outcome/ attribute frameworks.



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