

Post budget: the economy, tax & small business



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Welcome to this June 2013 edition.

So finally, the 2013 Federal Budget is behind us – well almost. The Gillard Government has staked its' claim on our fiscal future and in the midst of all the ensuing argument, two big questions still remain: will the numbers be enough to get the government over the line on September 14? And what does it really mean for our businesses and our personal financial affairs? The first question will be answered on polling day. But for some balanced and unbiased answers to the second question, we turn as always at this time of year to our two regular commentators – the ever-reliable Professor Neville Norman of Melbourne University for his analysis of all things economic; and to Michael Jones, of accountants and business advisors Cummings Flavel McCormack, for the detail around tax and super.

And as you re-examine your clients' business and financial positions, have you considered suggesting that they create a business board to assist them with all the hard decisions? Stephen Lake, of the Institute of Management Consultants, returns this month to explain why boards can be good for business, and how to make sure they'll be effective.

Boards can also be bad for business, as Ray Malone discovered as he stepped up to rescue automotive aftercare company the AMA Group four years ago. He made some tough decisions and has a fascinating story to tell, which he shares with us this month in remarkable straight-talking style.

Also this month, how to make your presentations more persuasive. Expert in the area, Jenny Tse, has valuable tips for accountants wishing to engage better with clients and get their ideas over the line. And to end the program, author, speaker and well known health advocate Dr Helena Popovic will tell us how to manage our stress levels better, indeed how to turn stress to our advantage in our business lives.

Enjoy the CD.

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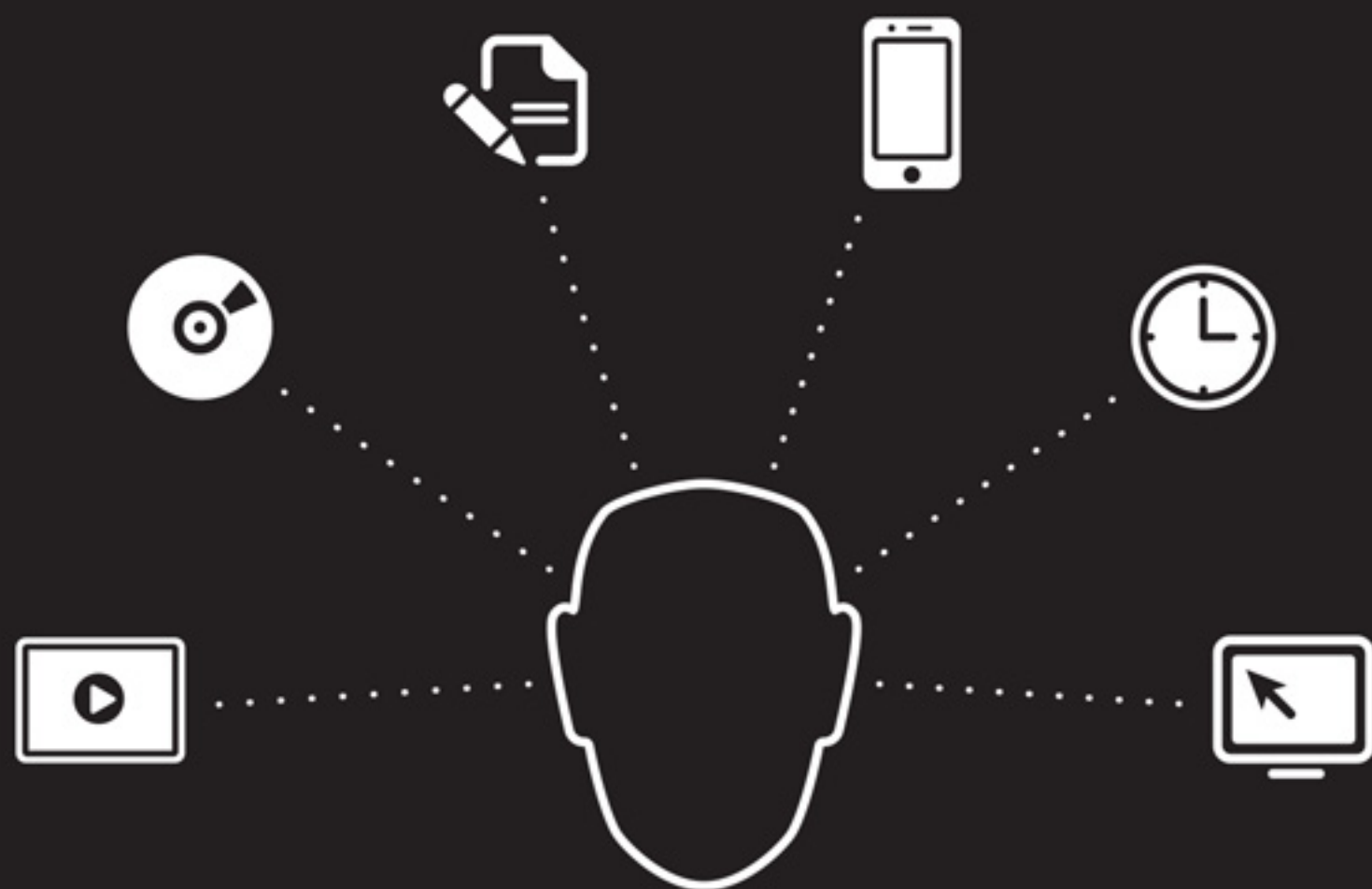
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