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President's Welcome

GEOFF LAKE PRESIDENT



IN AN ELECTION YEAR, organisations such as ALGA have an ideal opportunity to push strongly on the important issues. Our National General Assembly (NGA), from 14-17 June in Canberra, is perfectly timed this year to capitalise on that opportunity and to seek commitments from the major parties on key issues for our communities.

The Australian government is increasingly engaging with local government as a partner in key policy areas—perhaps best demonstrated in the rollout of the Community Infrastructure Fund during the Global Financial Crisis. Aligning our NGA so closely with a potential election announcement, presents a rare opportunity to build on our collaborative relationship with the Australian government, to forge partnerships in new areas, and to elicit election commitments.

Our choice of the 3 Ps as the conference themes this year—workforce participation, population and productivity—are taken straight from the findings of the Intergenerational Report 2010 (IGR3).

The macroeconomic and policy settings identified in the IGR3 report highlight the challenges which will face all levels of government and the need to plan for our ageing population. This year's NGA is the perfect platform for local government to develop strategies at the local and regional levels to respond to the challenges highlighted in the IGR3 report to ensure we have the strategies in place to remain a productive and prosperous country.

The May Budget speech by Treasurer Wayne Swan reassured Australians that Australia had emerged from the Global Financial Crisis particularly well in comparison with the rest of the world. Australia avoided recession when most other advanced economies did not, creating 225,000 jobs when many other advanced countries were shedding hundreds of thousands of jobs. The Australian Government is confident that the budget will return to surplus in three years time, three years ahead of schedule.

However, expanding investment, creating jobs, maintaining a skilled workforce and managing the fiscal pressures of an ageing population will remain key challenges in the future. Local government stands ready to assist. The NGA is our opportunity to shape the agenda for the future.

We will be hearing from the leaders of all the major parties on the eve of the election announcement, including:

- Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, **the Hon Anthony Albanese**
- Leader of the Opposition, **the Hon Tony Abbott**
- Leader of the Nationals, Shadow Minister for Trade, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, **the Hon Warren Truss**
- Leader of the Australian Greens, **Senator Bob Brown**
- Minister for Climate Change and Water, Senator **the Hon Penny Wong**
- Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services, **the Hon Bill Shorten**

Well known and respected journalist **Kerry O'Brien** from the 7.30 Report, will deliver a keynote address, followed by an election panel commentary session. This session will provide delegates with valuable insight into how the election is expected to be played out. Delegates will hear from ABC News Breakfast's **Melissa Clarke**, 7.30 Report's Political Editor, **Chris Uhlmann** and **Malcolm Farr** from the Daily Telegraph.

As part of its contribution to the Year of Women in Local Government, ALGA has prepared a publication to be launched at the NGA. The NGA will also feature a session on the important issues raised by the Year of Women in Local Government campaign, which will feature well known comedian and commentator, **Wendy Harmer**.

Considerable time has been set aside to debate motions—a chance for councils to shape the national agenda.

I look forward to seeing you at the NGA.

GEOFF LAKE
PRESIDENT, ALGA

THEME OVERVIEW

POPULATION PARTICIPATION & PRODUCTIVITY



The themes for the 2010 National General Assembly (NGA) are: population, participation and productivity.

At the national level 'the 3 Ps', as they are now collectively known, have largely been accepted as the three principal drivers of economic growth.

The 3 Ps have been used as the analytical framework for the Australian Government's Intergenerational Reports 2002, 2007 and 2010. The Intergenerational Report 2010 (IGR3) shows that demographic and other factors will pose substantial challenges for economic growth and long-term fiscal sustainability for the Australian Government. Some key projections included in IGR3 are:

- the population will increase from the current 22 million to 35.9 million in 2050;
- it is expected that the number of older people (65 to 84 years) will more than double and the numbers of people over 85 years will more than quadruple over the next 40 years;
- the number of traditional working aged people to support each retiree is expected to fall from 5 people to 2.7 people by 2050;
- the annual growth of real gross domestic product per person is expected to slow to 1.5 per cent by 2050, compared to an average of 1.9 per cent for the previous 40 years;
- substantial fiscal pressures will emerge due to projected increases in spending, particularly in the areas of health, age pensions and aged care.

Australian Treasury forecasts provide useful insights into the macro-economic and policy settings that will shape Australia's future. While the Australian Government needs to address these challenges at a national level, all levels of government will be faced with their own set of challenges albeit on a different scale.

This year's NGA provides the perfect platform for local government to unite in developing appropriate strategies to respond locally and regionally to the challenges of the coming years, with discussions and debate focusing around the three themes productivity, population and participation.

Delegates at the NGA will consider the implications of a high population growth scenario, the ageing of the population and associated issues, with a view to identifying solutions that will assist councils to meet the future challenges in providing services and infrastructure at the local level.



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→ **NGA2010**
NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Monday 14 June

5:00 PM Welcome Reception
(concludes 7:00 pm)

Tuesday 15 June

9:00 AM Opening Ceremony

9:30 AM Prime Minister
The Hon Kevin Rudd (invited)

10:00 AM Keynote Address
Kerry O'Brien, ABC 7.30 report

10:30 AM **MORNING TEA**

11:00 AM 2010 Federal Election—The Inside Story

12:30 PM **LUNCH**

1:30 PM Population Introductory Address

Peter McDonald, Professor of Demography
and Director of the Australian Demographic
and Social Research Institute

2:00 PM Population Debate

3:00 PM **AFTERNOON TEA**

3:30 PM Population Debate (continued)

4:15 PM Minister for Climate Change and Water
Senator the Hon Penny Wong

4:45 PM Local Government Minister
The Hon Anthony Albanese

7:00 PM **DINNER**

The Great Hall, Parliament House
(concludes 11:00 pm)

PROGRAM

Wednesday 16 June

- 9:00 AM Constitutional Reform Update
- 10:00 AM Leader of the Greens
Senator Bob Brown
- 10:30 AM **MORNING TEA**
- 11:00 AM Women in Politics Debate and Book Launch
Facilitated by comedian and commentator
Wendy Harmer
- 11:50 AM Economic Risk Management Approach
to Climate Change Adaptation
Ian Carruthers, First Assistant Secretary,
Department of Climate Change
- 12:30 PM **LUNCH**
- 1:30 PM Concurrent Sessions
→ Fit for the Future
→ Abandon or Adapt
→ Not in my backyard
- 3:00 PM **AFTERNOON TEA**
- 3:30 PM Productivity and Participation
Introductory Address
Professor Andrew Leigh, Professor at the
Research School of Economics at the
Australian National University
- 4:00 PM Participation Debate
- 4:45 PM Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities
and Children's Services
The Hon Bill Shorten MP
- 7:00 PM **DINNER**
National Convention Centre
(concludes 11:00 pm)

Thursday 17 June

- 9:00 AM Productivity and Participation Debate
- 9:30 AM Leader of the Nationals
The Hon Warren Truss MP
- 10:00 AM **Mike Kaiser**, Principal
Government Relations and External Affairs,
National Broadband Network (NBN)
- 10:30 AM **MORNING TEA**
- 11:00 PM Leader of the Opposition
The Hon Tony Abbott MP
- 11:30 AM Productivity Debate
- 12:45 PM **CLOSING ADDRESS**

Speaker Profiles

→ POLITICAL



The Hon Kevin Rudd MP (invited)

PRIME MINISTER

Kevin Michael Rudd was sworn in as the 26th Prime Minister of Australia on 3 December 2007.

Prior to entering Parliament, Mr Rudd worked as a diplomat, as a senior official in the Queensland Government, and as a consultant helping Australian firms to establish and build their business links in China and in Taiwan.

Mr Rudd contested the Federal seat of Griffith for the Australian Labor Party in 1996. The Keating Labor Government was defeated at the 1996 election and Mr Rudd's bid to win a seat in Parliament was unsuccessful.

In 1998 Mr Rudd again contested the seat of Griffith and was elected to the Parliament of Australia. He was immediately elected Chair of the Parliamentary Labor Party's Committee on National Security & Trade and served on a variety of parliamentary committees and taskforces. Following the November 2001 election, Mr Rudd was appointed Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, subsequently adding responsibilities for International Security in 2003 and Trade in 2005.

The Hon Tony Abbott

LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

Tony Abbott was elected Leader of the Federal Liberal Party on Tuesday 1 December 2009. Prior to this appointment Tony held the position of Shadow Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Mr Abbott was elected as Member for Warringah at a by-election in March 1994 and following the election of the Howard Government in 1996 was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs. In this role he was responsible for the establishment of the successful Greencorps program for young people. Following the 1998 election he was appointed to the new portfolio of Minister for Employment Services where he oversaw the development of the Job Network and a major expansion of Work for the Dole.

After the 2001 election he was appointed Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, Leader of the House, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service and appointed Minister for Health and Ageing on 7 October 2003.

Tony Abbott attended St. Ignatius Riverview, graduated from Sydney University in Economics/Law, is a Rhodes Scholar and completed a MA, Politics and Philosophy at Oxford University.

Prior to entering Parliament Tony was a journalist. He was a feature writer for *The Bulletin* and *The Australian*. Tony was press secretary and political adviser to the Leader of the Opposition, Dr John Hewson and was the Executive Director of Australians for Constitutional Monarchy from 1993-94.

The Hon Anthony Albanese MP

MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE,
MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL
DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER FOR LOCAL
GOVERNMENT, LEADER OF THE HOUSE

Anthony Albanese was elected Member for Grayndler in 1996. He was born in Camperdown and educated at St Joseph's Camperdown and Christian Brothers, St Mary's Cathedral. He worked for the Commonwealth Bank and then studied economics at Sydney University.

He was a research officer for the then Minister for Local Government and Administrative Services, Tom Uren and in 1989 was elected assistant general secretary of the NSW ALP, a position he held until 1995.

Minister Albanese has an Economics Degree from Sydney University. His seat of Grayndler is located in Sydney's inner west, where he has lived all his life.

Anthony has been a delegate to National Conference since 1986. He was elected to the Shadow Ministry on 22 November 2001.

Senator Bob Brown

LEADER OF THE AUSTRALIAN GREENS

Bob Brown was elected to the Senate in 1996, after 10 years as an Member of the House of Assembly in Tasmania's state parliament.

In his first speech in the Senate, Bob raised the threat posed by climate change. Government and opposition members laughed at his warning of sea level rises and it has taken 10 years for them to finally begin to acknowledge the causes and effects of climate change.

Since 1996, Bob has continued to take a courageous, and often politically lonely, stand on issues across the national and international spectrum. Some of the many issues that Bob has raised in the Senate include petrol sniffing in Central Australia, self-determination for West Papua and Tibet, saving Tasmania's ancient forests, opposing the war in Iraq, justice for David Hicks, stopping the sale of the Snowy Hydro scheme and opposing the dumping of nuclear waste in Australia.

Bob was re-elected to the Senate in 2001. Following the



election of four Greens senators in 2004, Bob became parliamentary leader of the Australian Greens in 2005.

The 2007 election saw Bob re-elected to the Senate for a third term along with two new Greens Senators in WA and SA. Bob received the highest personal Senate vote in Tasmania and was elected with more than a quota in his own right.

The Hon Bill Shorten

PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY FOR
DISABILITIES AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY FOR
VICTORIAN BUSHFIRE RECONSTRUCTION

Bill Shorten was elected as the Labor member for Maribyrnong on November 24, 2007 and was immediately appointed Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd. In February 2009, the Prime Minister gave him the additional responsibility of Parliamentary Secretary for Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction.

Bill Shorten has been a strong advocate for the rights of people with disability and for improving services and employment opportunities for them. He is involved in the development of the Federal Government's National Disability Strategy and the National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy.

Since the devastating bushfires of February 7th, he has worked closely with the affected communities across Victoria to ensure that Federal Government assistance goes to where it is needed.

Prior to the 2007 election, Mr Shorten was National Secretary of the Australian Workers' Union. In that role, and as Victorian President of the Australian Labor Party, he has been a key figure in standing up for working families, the rights of workers and better safety in the workplace.

Mr Shorten has a Law degree and a Master of Business Administration, and has sat on two superannuation boards.

The Hon Warren Truss MP

LEADER OF THE NATIONALS
SHADOW MINISTER FOR TRADE,
TRANSPORT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Warren Truss is a third generation farmer from the Kumbia District near Kingaroy, Queensland. He entered Federal Parliament in March 1990 as a National Party member representing the electorate of Wide Bay.

Following the Coalition Government's election defeat in 2007, he was elected Federal Parliamentary Leader of The Nationals. He is also Shadow Minister for Trade, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government.

Mr Truss was a Minister in the Howard Coalition Government for 10 years.

He was appointed Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs in October 1997, and a year later, Minister for Community Services. In July 1999 he assumed the position of Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, where he served for six years. He became Minister for Transport and Regional Services in July 2005 and in September 2006 Minister for Trade.

Before entering Parliament, Warren was a Kingaroy Shire Councillor from 1976 to 1990, including seven years as Mayor. He served as President of the Burnett District Local Government Association and as Chairman of the Fraser Coast-South Burnett Regional Tourism Board. He was Deputy Chairman of the Queensland Grain Handling Authority and a member of the State Council of the Queensland Graingrowers' Association.

Senator The Hon Penny Wong

MINISTER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER

Penny Wong was born in Malaysia and moved to Australia when she was eight.

Before entering parliament, Penny Wong was a barrister and solicitor in Adelaide and worked as an adviser to the Carr Government in New South Wales.

She was elected as a Labor Senator for South Australia in November 2001 and began her term in July 2002.

In December 2007 Penny was appointed to the Federal Cabinet in the new Rudd Labor Government as the Minister for Climate Change and Water.

Penny is responsible for the co-ordination and implementation of the Government's climate change and water policies including the design and implementation of the Governments Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS).

Speaker Profiles

→ KEYNOTE



Kerry O'Brien

ABC 7.30 REPORT

Kerry O'Brien is one of the most prominent and respected names in Australian Journalism. He has won numerous accolades, including the top award in journalism, the Gold Walkley.

In the past 32 years, Kerry O'Brien has worked in newspapers, wire service and television news and current affairs, as a general reporter, feature writer, political and foreign correspondent, interviewer and compere.

Born in Queensland, Kerry O'Brien started as a new cadet with Channel Nine in Brisbane in 1966. His career highlights include a stint as AAP-Reuter Correspondent in Papua-New Guinea (1969-70), three years as a senior reporter with *This Day Tonight* in the early seventies, and two years with *Four Corners* from 1975-77 and again in 1985-86. He had three years as a press secretary, first for Labor leader Gough Whitlam in 1977 and then in the post-Whitlam era, with Deputy Labor leader, Lionel Bowen.

In 1983-84 Kerry O'Brien was the Seven Network's first North American Correspondent, in 1988-89 Ten Network's Political Editor, and for six years he was the compere/interviewer of the ABC's highly-respected *Lateline* program. In 1994-95 he also wrote a weekly national affairs column for *Time Magazine*.

Since December 1995, Kerry O'Brien has been Editor and compere of *The 7.30 Report*, the ABC's flagship current affairs program. He also anchors the ABC's election telecast, and moderated the controversial 1993 election campaign debates.

Over the years Kerry O'Brien has covered a variety of issues and events including various election campaigns, the Whitlam dismissal, the 1984 U.S. Presidential election, the Grenada invasion, the Marcos Coup in the Philippines, Australia's historic win in the 1984 America's Cup, the attempted Gorbachev Coup in Russia, and many others.

For *Lateline*, Kerry O'Brien interviewed numerous world leaders including Nelson Mandela, Margaret Thatcher, Gorbachev and a diverse range of other top international figures including General Colin Powell.

Ian Carruthers

Ian Carruthers is First Assistant Secretary, Adaptation, Land and Communications Division, Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency. For more than a decade Ian Carruthers has had a leading role in advising on national climate change policy development and implementation of greenhouse response programs. He has played a key part in international climate change activities, including the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Kyoto Protocol and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

He currently provides senior executive leadership in the Department of Climate Change on policy and program activity relating to climate change science, climate change impacts and adaptation, rural and regional Australia, and communications. Ian Carruthers has spent his career in the field of environmental policy development and environmental program delivery.

Mike Kaiser

Mike Kaiser is Principal—Government Relations and External Affairs for the National Broadband Network (NBN). NBN Co is the company charged with fulfilling the Federal Government's policy goal of building and operating a ubiquitous, high-speed broadband network across Australia to enable the future of online services and telecommunications. Mike is an Electrical Engineer by profession.

Mike Kaiser has extensive experience within Government having served as Chief of Staff to NSW Premier Morris Iemma in 2005 and Queensland Premier Anna Bligh in 2007. He has also worked with the Private Sector in a consultancy capacity on the delivery of major infrastructure projects.

Professor Andrew Leigh

Andrew Leigh is a professor at the Research School of Economics at the Australian National University. His research is in the fields of inequality, social policy, taxation and education. Professor Leigh holds a PhD from Harvard University, and has previously worked as a lawyer, a political adviser, and a think-tank researcher. He has published three books and over 50 journal articles. Andrew is also a regular columnist for the *Australian Financial Review*. He has recently been preselected by the Australian Labor Party as its candidate for the federal electorate of Fraser.

Professor Peter McDonald

Peter McDonald is Professor of Demography and Director of the Australian Demographic and Social Research Institute at the Australian National University. He is President of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population for the years, 2010–2013. Previously, he was head of research at the Australian Institute of Family Studies for a period of 11 years and a Principal Consultant to the Australian Urban and Regional Development Review. He is frequently consulted on the issue of population futures (causes, consequences and policies) by governments around the world, especially in Australia, Europe and East Asia. He is a leading expert on policies, including labour supply policies, for countries facing very low fertility rates and rapid ageing. In 2008, he was appointed as a Member in the Order of Australia. In 2010, Peter is chairing the enquiry into the need for a population policy in Queensland organised by the Local Government Association of Queensland.

Speaker Profiles

→ CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM EXPERTS



Robert Ray

Robert Ray left the Senate in May 2008 after 27 years of membership of the Federal Parliamentary Labor Party. Robert served under Leaders and Prime Ministers from Bill Hayden through to Kevin Rudd.

He was a Minister for nine years, eight of them in Cabinet.

Often described as the quintessential insider, Robert was the longest serving member of a Federal Parliamentary Committee since Federation—the Procedure Committee. He was also the longest serving member of the Senate Privileges Committee and the Joint Committee on Security and Intelligence. As a member of numerous Senate Estimates Committees, Robert was noted for his forensic inquisitorial style.

In addition to his parliamentary and ministerial responsibilities, Robert was a member of the National Executive of the ALP for 15 years and was a powerful contributor to debates on controversial issues at numerous National Conferences.

Robert enjoys a significant reputation for his contribution to parliamentary and public life.

Robert Ray is the senior advisor to the Civic Group.

Professor George Williams

George Williams is a leading Australian constitutional lawyer and public commentator. He is the Anthony Mason Professor and Foundation Director of the Gilbert and Tobin Centre of Public Law at the Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales. As an Australian Research Council Laureate Fellow, he is currently engaged in a five year international project on anti-terror laws and democracy. He has held visiting positions in Toronto, New York and London.

Professor Williams has written and edited 25 books, including *A Charter of Rights for Australia*, *Australian Constitutional Law and Theory* and *The Oxford Companion to the High Court of Australia*. His latest book, *People Power: The History and the Future of the Referendum in Australia* will soon be published by University of New South Wales Press.

As a barrister, he has appeared in the High Court of Australia in cases on freedom of speech, freedom from racial discrimination and on review of government action and the rule of law. He has also appeared in the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal of Fiji, including the Republic of Fiji v Prasad on the legality of the 2000 coup.

In 2005 he chaired the Victorian Human Rights Consultation Committee that led to the enactment of the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities. In 2007 he chaired a NSW Government inquiry into Options for a New National Industrial Relations System, and was also a member of the High Level Advisory Group on Federal-State Relations to Kevin Rudd.

Professor Williams is a well-known media commentator on legal issues and has written for all of Australia's major newspapers. He has been a columnist for *The Australian* and *The Canberra Times*, an on-air analyst for ABC Television and has had regular radio spots on 702 ABC Sydney and 666 ABC Canberra. He currently appears on 666 ABC Canberra each week and writes a fortnightly column for *The Sydney Morning Herald*. He also reviews science fiction and fantasy books for *The Weekend Australian*.

Speaker Profiles

→ WOMEN'S PANEL



Wendy Harmer

PANEL FACILITATOR + MC

Wendy Harmer really needs no introduction! Wendy Harmer is an author, broadcaster, performer, public speaker, charity campaigner, and devoted football fan. She is of Australia's favourite comedians and a woman to be reckoned with. She has forged a career as a trailblazer for female comedians on stage, television and radio, including being the first woman to host a TV comedy show (*The Big Gig* in 1989). She performed her first stand-up gig at 29, after a 12 year career as a journalist. Eight of those years were spent reporting on Local Government in Melbourne back in the 70's and 80's.

Her big break came while she was performing at the Melbourne comedy venue The Last Laugh, when John Clarke asked her to join a new writing group that went on to become *The Gillies Report* [on ABC TV in 1984-85].

Wendy enjoyed huge popularity leading Sydney radio station 2Day FM's top-rating breakfast Show for 11 years, winning 84 of the 88 ratings surveys for that period.

She has written a children's book series about Perlie a park fairy, which has sold over 400,000 copies, and the stage show, adapted by Wendy, played at the Seymour Centre in Sydney and toured regional NSW in 2005 and then nationally in 2007. Wendy is also the author of seven books for adults, including her bestselling novel *Farewell My Ovaries*, *Love And Punishment* and *Nagging For Beginners*, a how-to guide for women. Her latest novel *Roadside Sisters* was published in April 2009, and her first teen novel *I Lost My Mobile At The Mall* was published in November 2009.

Pru Goward

Pru Goward is the Member for Goulburn in the NSW Parliament and is shadow minister for Community Services and Women. Pru was Australia's Sex Discrimination Commissioner for six years, which later included age discrimination. She was best known for her work promoting a national scheme of paid maternity leave and work life balance. Pru is an economist by training and a broadcaster by practice, having worked for the ABC in a range of television and radio roles for 19 years. She has interviewed almost every prime minister since John Gorton and was awarded a special Walkley Award for her television profile of organised crime figure George Freeman.

She has written two books, including a biography of then prime minister John Howard with her husband, David Barnett. Pru received a Centenary Medal in 2001 for services to women's rights and journalism and in 2007 was awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Business Studies by Charles Sturt University.

Wendy Machin

Wendy was the first woman elected to represent the National Party in the NSW Legislative Assembly in 1985. She held portfolios in Government and Opposition including Minister for Consumer Affairs and Assistant Minister for Roads and Transport. She was President of Save the Children Fund NSW from 1996 to 2000, Deputy Chair of the Australian Republican Movement from 1997 to 2000 and has served on the National Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect.

Wendy was appointed to the Board of the National Road and Motoring Association (NRMA) in March 2005. She was subsequently elected President of NRMA Motoring & Services on 10 December 2008, after being re-elected as a non-executive Director on 6 December 2008. She is also a Director on the Board of the Australian Automobile Association. Wendy has served as a Member of the Migration and Refugee Review Tribunal from 2004 to 2008. She also undertakes private consulting work in issues management.

Women in Politics

FACILITATED BY
WENDY HARMER

Karlene Maywald

Karlene Maywald has extensive experience in the area of water politics. She was elected to the seat of Chaffey in 1997 as the sole National Party Member in the South Australian Parliament. She held this position until March 2010.

Karlene was appointed Minister for the River Murray in August 2004 and Minister for Water Security in February 2007 at the height of the worst drought in recorded history. She was instrumental in progressing national reforms to the management of the Murray Darling Basin and setting the direction for long term water security in South Australia. She was also Minister for Small business, Regional development, Consumer Affairs, Science and Information Economy, and Assisting the Minister for Industry and Trade. Karlene is currently a Director of Maywald Consultants Pty Ltd, specializing in the area of water policy and advisory services.

Genia McCaffery

Cr McCaffery has been a member of the Local Government Executive since 1998, and is a current member of the Australian Local Government Association Board. Councillor Genia McCaffery was elected as full-time Mayor of North Sydney by popular vote in 1995 and was re-elected in 1999, 2004 and 2008. As Mayor, Cr McCaffery is committed to managing development within North Sydney, responsible financial management of Council, protecting the environment, and maintaining strong community involvement in local government. In October 2004, Cr McCaffery was elected President of the NSW Local Government Association for a two-year term. Cr McCaffery was re-elected as President in 2006 and again in 2008. She has identified planning, natural resources management and infrastructure investment as the key issues to address during her term as President. She is on the Board of the Sydney Metropolitan Catchment Management Authority, the NSW Environment Protection Authority, the NSW Environmental Trust.

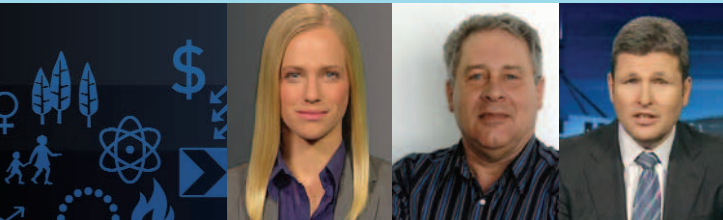
2010 has been designated as the Year of Women in Local Government. The year provides an opportunity to address the need for systemic and cultural change to increase the participation of women in leadership and management roles within local government. It also celebrates the success of women who are already playing significant roles.

The year will also provide a clear focus and opportunity to build the business case for the increased participation of women and to implement strategies to measure objectively the success of councils in meeting firm targets.

ALGA will be celebrating the Year of Women in Local Government by a fascinating panel discussion facilitated by comedian and commentator Wendy Harmer. The discussion with a twist, will focus on the key issues affecting the participation rates of women in politics, with insights from some high profile speakers. Panelists include New South Wales MP Pru Goward, former South Australian MP and Minister for Water Karlene Maywald, former federal MP and current NRMA President Wendy Machin, and ALGA Board Member and President of the Local Government Association of NSW Genia McCaffery. It promises to be a great event which raises the profile of women in politics, as well as raising a laugh with Wendy Harmer.

Speaker Profiles

→ MEDIA PANEL



This year's National General Assembly will be held in the lead up to a federal election, and what better way to provide commentary in an election year than a panel of leading Canberra Press Gallery journalists giving their interpretation of how the election will play out and what is likely to happen in Canberra between now and December.

The panel will give a unique first hand insight into media management during a campaign, spin tactics and the mechanics of the public side of an election and the behind the scenes work.

Each of these respected journalists will give delegates their flavour on this year's election, culminating in a Question and Answer session from the floor.

In an election year, delegates will be keenly interested in key issues for the major parties and their leaders, some of the expected highlights of the campaign and how these will play out in the media. This is a session not to be missed.

Melissa Clarke

Melissa Clarke is the Canberra Correspondent for ABC TV's News Breakfast program. Melissa has covered federal politics for ABC television, radio and online since 2008. Prior to that, she was the state political reporter in Victoria for ABC television and radio. Melissa has also covered a wide range of news stories outside of the political sphere—from bushfires to underworld court cases to the controversial hearings of the Office of the Police Investigator in Victoria.

Malcolm Farr

Malcolm Farr is National Political Editor of the Sydney Daily Telegraph. He has covered federal politics in Canberra since 1991, and previously reported on the NSW Government in Sydney. He has also worked in newspapers in Brisbane and Melbourne.

Malcolm regularly appears on the political current affairs programs Meet the Press on Network Ten, and ABC TV's Insiders. He served as President of the Federal Parliamentary Press Gallery until 2005.

Chris Uhlmann

Chris Uhlmann is *The 7.30 Report's* Political Editor. He originally pursued a career as a priest and has an Associate Diploma in religious Studies. Changing course, he joined the *Canberra Times* as a 'mature' 29 year old copy kid and has worked in the media ever since. He co-hosted 666 ABC Canberra breakfast program, then in 2006 became ABC radio's chief political correspondent. In 2008 he moved from radio to television, as political editor for ABC TV News, then political editor for *The 7.30 Report* in 2009. Chris won a Walkley Award for excellence in journalism in 2008.

Concurrent Session

→ OVERVIEW

Abandon or Adapt

The impact of climate change on the world's oceans and coastal areas is becoming more apparent, with the Australian Government now estimating that up to 247,000 dwellings are at risk of sea inundation if sea levels rise by 1.1m.

This session, 'Abandon or Adapt', will focus on the significant issues arising from climate change that will affect coastal areas, and allow delegates to discuss the outcomes of the National Climate Change Forum on Coastal Adaptation and the Climate Change Risks to Australia's Coast assessment report. Councils will have the opportunity to discuss tangible implications for coastal councils with a panel of experts on public policy, law, disaster management and climate change science, and look at developing real adaptation solutions for our coastal communities.

This session is developed in partnership with the Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency.



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Not in my backyard

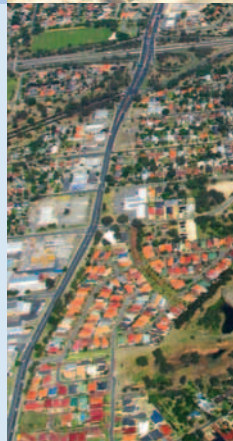
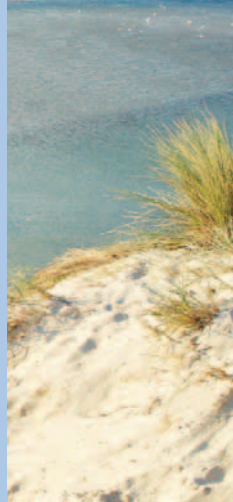
With the predicted increase in population in Australia, there will be increased pressures on the built environment, and therefore Councils. Increasingly, governments at all levels will need to balance the demand for greater urban density with the pressure for increased urban sprawl. At the same time councils will need to respond to their community's desire to maintain the character and history of their local area.

Innovative and pragmatic approaches to community consultation and engagement, the maintenance and protection of heritage and urban amenity will be needed. Share the experiences of your Council and hear from other Councils that are facing similar issues or will be confronted by these problems in the future. This session is designed to inform, challenge and confront.

Fit for the future

Australia's regions are vastly different and this is reflected in the significant variances in growth and development patterns. Partnerships and collaboration between key players within and across regions may well be the critical success factor that will ensure your region continues to be successful, productive and prosperous. New models of regional governance may be needed to support local communities and foster regional and economic development.

This facilitated discussion will inspire you with ideas you can implement in your Council to promote collaboration and effective regional governance.



Associated Events

NTCT Meeting

NATIONAL TIMBER COUNCILS TASKFORCE

The NTCT is recognised as the key representative body for local government on national forestry issues in Australia.

OUR NEXT MEETING: Monday 14 June 2010 → 2:00–5:00 pm
Derwent Room, National Convention Centre Canberra



For more information go to www.ntct.org.au or call +61 3 9667 5529

ALGWA Breakfast

AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC

Tuesday 15 June → 7:15–8:30 am

The ALGWA President, Darriea Turley, invites you to breakfast and to hear from the Hon Maxine McKew, Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government.

Come along and discover what ALGWA is doing in your State.

ALGWA members and non members are most welcome to attend. The breakfast will cost \$50 and as seats are limited, early bookings are highly desirable to ensure your seat.

To register your interest email the ALGWA Secretary: secretary@algwa.net.au



ICLEI Breakfast

PARTNERING FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

Tuesday 15 June → 7:15–8:30 am

ICLEI Oceania has played an integral role in demonstrating local government as a key player in addressing climate change and sustainability at the local, national and international level.

The ICLEI Oceania Recognition and Briefing Breakfast will recognise councils' participation in ICLEI programs and inform delegates of ICLEI program offerings in 2010–11.

The breakfast is at 7:15–8:30 am on Tuesday 15 June and will be in the Swan/Torrens Room at the National Convention Centre. For more information please contact Milly Bartlett at ICLEI Oceania on 03 9639 8688 or email milly.bartlett@iclei.org





STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2010-11

The *State of the Regions Report*, prepared by National Economics for the Australian Local Government Association, provides a contemporary analysis of the trends in regional economic development in Australia.

This year's *State of the Regions Report* examines the drivers of supply and demand for housing in Australia's regions. It discusses how these drivers affect the supply and demand for affordable housing and just how important geography, infrastructure and employment are to those dynamics in Australia. The report analyses how the nation's regions are performing economically and builds on knowledge that has been collected now for over a decade.

Be sure you and your council have the most up to date facts on housing by purchasing *State of the Regions* online at:
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- **\$250** (INCLUDING GST)
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Delegate Information



Registration

MONDAY	14 JUNE 2010 → 2:00 pm–7:00 pm National Convention Centre
TUESDAY	14 JUNE 2010 → 8:00 am–5:00 pm National Convention Centre
WEDNESDAY	16 JUNE 2010 → 8:30 am–5:00 pm National Convention Centre
THURSDAY	17 JUNE 2010 → 8:30 am–2:00 pm National Convention Centre

Social Functions

MOBILEMUSTER WELCOME RECEPTION AND EXHIBITION OPENING

Monday 14 June 2010
National Convention Centre
TIME 5:00 pm–7:00 pm
DRESS Smart Casual

GENERAL ASSEMBLY DINNER

Tuesday 15 June 2010
The Great Hall, Parliament House
TIME 7:00 pm–11:00 pm
DRESS Lounge suit/collar and tie for men and
Cocktail style for women

BUFFET DINNER

Wednesday 16 June 2010
The Ballroom, National Convention Centre
TIME 7:00 pm–11:00 pm
DRESS Smart Casual

Accompanying Partners Program

TUESDAY 15 JUNE 2010

CANBERRA HIGHLIGHTS AND MUSEUM OF DEMOCRACY

→ *Departing from the Crowne Plaza Hotel foyer at 10:30 am*

Canberra is one of the few 'planned cities' in the world and your highlights tour will vividly bring to life the splendid vision of architect Walter Burley Griffin who won the design competition to plan Australia's National Capital.

The view from Mt Ainslie is breathtaking, as the eye takes in one of the most spectacular sights in the country. You'll have sweeping views of the tranquil lake named after its creator, the iconic national attractions, the towering flag pole resting above Parliament House, and the majestic Brindabella ranges in the distance.

From there you will tour the Yarralumla diplomatic precinct of Canberra, the home to almost 100 Embassies and High Commissions, many showcasing their unique national identities.

After a relaxing lunch a visit to the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House will cap off a fascinating day. This most historic building was the home of Federal Parliament from 1927 to 1988, and it now showcases the history of Australian politics, and the many events that shaped our nation.

WEDNESDAY 16 JUNE 2010

CANBERRA GLASSWORKS

→ *Departing from the Crowne Plaza Hotel foyer at 10:00 am*

The Kingston Powerhouse is Canberra's oldest permanent public building. It was built between 1913 and 1915 and was designed by the Federal Government architect, J S Murdoch, who also designed other important heritage buildings in Canberra such as Old Parliament House and its East and West Blocks, Gorman House, the Hotel Canberra (now the Hyatt) and the Kurrajong Hotel.

The Powerhouse was used to supply Canberra with coal-generated electricity from 1915, continuing to operate as a powerhouse until 1957. In 2007 the Canberra Glassworks opened, and it has carefully preserved the heritage values of this iconic Canberra building.

The Glassworks is now a fully restored glass artists production facility where professionals create magnificent pieces of work for both domestic and international buyers. You can wander around the facility, guided by interpretive signage, and view the Hotshop where there are demonstrations from the kiln working area and you may be able to see glasswork being designed and assembled from a range of coloured sheet glass that has been fused together in the Glassworks' kilns.

From here we will take some time out for lunch before the option of returning to your hotel, or spending an hour or so in nearby Manuka for some shopping.

Travel

CAR PARKING

Parking for delegates is available underneath the National Convention Centre for a cost of approximately \$12.00 per day. Alternative voucher public parking is available across the road at a cost of approximately \$9.00 per day. Please remember to bring coins for the machine.

COACH TRANSFERS

Daily shuttles to and from the National Convention Centre

A shuttle service between all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) and the National Convention Centre will operate between the following times:

- Tuesday 8:00 am–8:45 am and returning at 5:10 pm
- Wednesday 8:00 am–8:45 am and returning at 5:10 pm
- Thursday 8:00 am–8:45 am and returning (to hotels and the airport) from 1:30 pm

MobileMuster Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening

Monday 14 June 2010

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 4:45 pm. The return coaches will depart from 6:45 pm.

General Assembly Annual Dinner → Parliament House Tuesday 15 June

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (including Crowne Plaza Canberra) at 6:45 pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:30 pm and 11:45 pm.

Buffet Dinner → National Convention Centre Wednesday 16 June

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at 6:45 pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:30 pm and 11:00 pm.

AIRPORT AND HOTEL TRANSFERS

Thursday 17 June

Coaches will transfer delegates from the National Convention Centre to Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) and the airport from 1.30 pm.

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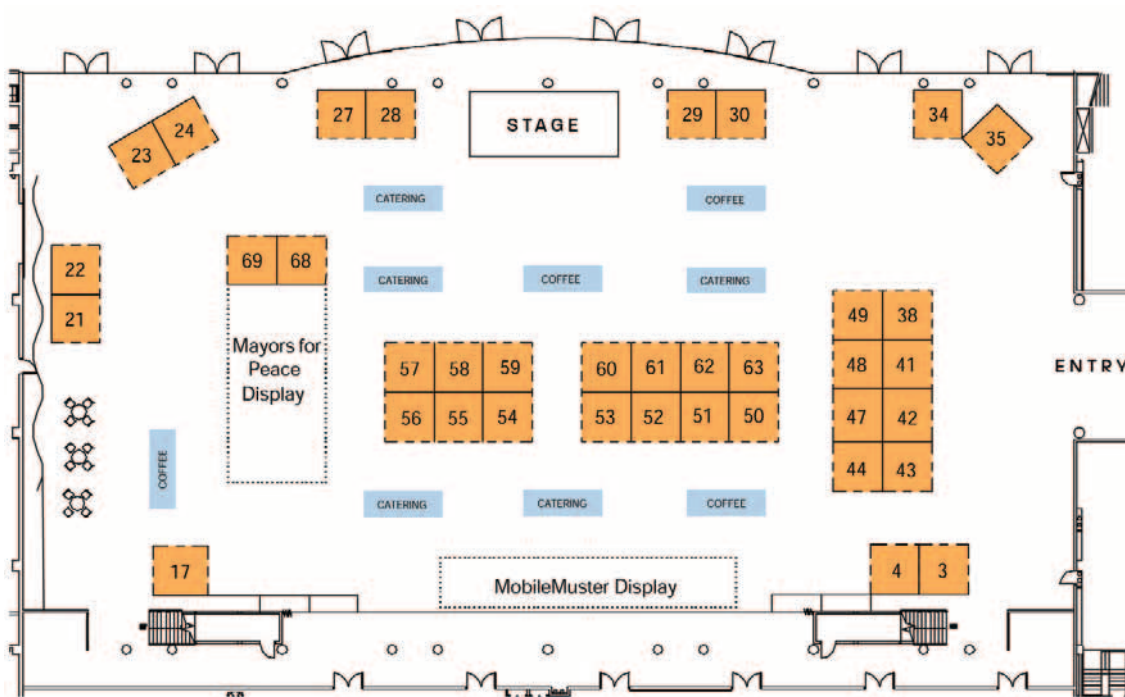
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Bega Shire Council, Eurobodalla Shire Council and MobileMuster help residents recycle their old mobiles through kerbside recycling bins by providing MobileMuster satchels.



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- visit us at our stand in the exhibition area
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Komatsu releases the Vantage-series graders

Komatsu Australia has released its new Dash 5 Vantage series of graders—consisting of two models, the GD555-5 and the GD655-5—featuring the best cab visibility of any grader on the market, increased engine power, and an upgraded version of its unique dual-mode transmission system.

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While the Korea Local Government Centre has merged with the Consulate-General of the Republic of Korea in Sydney, our role and focus remains the same in supporting local exchanges.

Our focus in 2011 is the Year of Friendship projects between Australia and Korea.

2011 marks the 50th anniversary of Australian and Korean diplomatic relations.

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The Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency is responsible for delivering the Australian Government's climate change framework, based on the three pillars of:

- Reducing Australia's greenhouse gas emissions
- Adapting to the impacts of climate change we cannot avoid
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The early impacts of climate change have already appeared and further impacts are inevitable. The decisions we make today about infrastructure, health, water management, agriculture, biodiversity and housing will have lasting consequences. Therefore, it is important to begin planning now for the impacts of climate change in the future.

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The ALGA Board, made up of representatives from each of the associations and the ACT government, makes ALGA policy; and in so doing is assisted by the state and territory associations and the ACT Government. The Board is informed by consultation with councils and events such as this National General Assembly.

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Some of the key issues facing local government include:

- Efficient and sustainable local government (including asset management and the sharing of leading practice);
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- Constitutional recognition;
- Community infrastructure; and
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation measures

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The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is Australia's national statistical agency. They assist and encourage informed decision-making, research and discussion within governments and the community, by leading a high-quality, objective and responsive national statistical service.

The ABS is responsible for producing a number of economic indicators such as the CPI and labour force figures. They also undertake an extensive range of social, agricultural and environmental surveys as well as the National Census of Population and Housing. The next Census will be held on 9 August 2011, with the data becoming available from mid 2012.

ABS statistics are freely available on its website www.abs.gov



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The Japan Local Government Centre, CLAIR Sydney is one of seven overseas offices of the Council of Local Authorities for International Relations. It is a semi-government, non-profit organisation which represents local governments of Japan. Whilst CLAIR facilitates local government international programs, it also introduces the Australian system of local governance and reports current issues and best practices to Japanese local governments.



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The Australian Govlink journal contains well over 120 pages highlighting a wide range of Government and Private Sector activities, ranging from localized projects to major Government projects. Govlink aims to promote and review not only major initiatives of local, state and commonwealth government departments nationally, but to encourage the principles of 'progress through partnerships' between the private sector and government.



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The Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) is the peak Local Government organisation in Western Australia.

WALGA provides an essential voice for almost 1,300 Elected Members, over 13,000 employees and the 2.2 million constituents of the 141 Councils in Western Australia, including Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands. The Association delivers professional advice and offers services that provide financial benefits to its Members and the communities they serve.

WALGA strives to ensure that Local Government in Western Australia is built on good governance, autonomy, local leadership, democracy, community engagement and diversity.



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The Mobile Carriers Forum (MCF) is a division of the Australian Mobile Telecommunications Association (AMTA), the peak industry body for the telecommunications industry. The MCF is a specialised AMTA Forum that deals specifically with social, environmental, policy and regulatory issues relating to the deployment and operation of mobile phone networks. Its members are mobile network carriers.

The MCF strives to ensure that the mobile carriers' industry addresses community expectations about the deployment of mobile phone base stations and balances the needs of Australia's 22 million mobile phone subscribers with local community concerns



mobilemuster
Official recycling program of the mobile phone industry

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MOBILEMUSTER: Free Mobile Phone Recycling

MobileMuster is official recycling program of the mobile phone industry and is a free service available to consumers, councils, businesses, schools and government. It is funded solely by handset manufacturers and network carriers. The Australian Mobile Telecommunications Association (AMTA) manages MobileMuster on behalf of its members and runs the program on a not-for-profit basis.

The overall aim of MobileMuster is to prevent mobile phones ending up in landfill and potentially harming the environment. All mobiles are recycled, none are refurbished and resold. Over 90% of the plastics and metals in mobiles are recovered and used to make new products.

Over 300 local councils currently work with MobileMuster to promote and collect mobile phones including batteries, chargers and accessories for recycling. Councils, with the support of MobileMuster, advise residents where and how they can recycle their old mobiles, host public collection points (over 800), run e-waste collection days and in some instances have started accepting mobile phones into their kerbside recycling collections where appropriate.

AMTA is committed to the establishment of an integrated e-waste collection scheme that is free and readily accessible to residents nationwide and funded by industry. To that end AMTA is playing an active role in the development of the TV and computer product stewardship scheme and legislation.



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The National Timber Councils Taskforce Inc. (NTCT) represents 24 councils across Australia who share an interest in best practice plantation development and sustainable native forestry. The NTCT was established to provide local government a voice at a national level and to promote the many opportunities and challenges plantation and native forestry present to councils throughout Australia.

The NTCT is recognised as the key representative body for local government on national forestry issues in Australia. Council involvement with the NTCT provides an opportunity for local government to build a united approach to sustainable forest policy and plantation development issues.



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The Salvation Army Suicide Prevention and Bereavement Support Services

The Salvation Army has been providing a wide range of community services to disadvantaged people in the Australian community for over 100 years. The Salvation Army has services operating in over 900 centres across Australia provide counselling and active practical support designed to meet the needs of people who are alienated in society because of poverty, homelessness, health issues and those experiencing personal crisis, trauma and loss.

The initiatives that have and are being developed through The Salvation Army Suicide Prevention and Bereavement Support Services has enhanced the Salvation Army's ability to bring advice, support, comfort and hope to those at risk of suicide and those bereaved as a result of suicide.

See website: www.suicideprevention.salvos.org.au



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Australian Taxation Office

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The Australian Taxation Office is the Government's principal revenue collection agency, and is part of the Treasurer's portfolio. Our role is to manage and shape tax, excise and superannuation systems that fund services for Australians.

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