



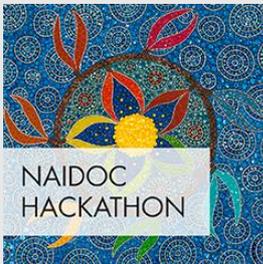
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IPAA ACT **CONNECT**

29 JUNE 2022

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WHAT'S ON AT IPAA



IPAA ACT | 14 JULY 2022

NAIDOC HACKATHON

IPAA ACT, with support of the APSC and the National Indigenous Australians Agency, is hosting a virtual hackathon to drive better outcomes in Indigenous employment in the public sector by exploring the challenges, barriers and solutions to representation at all levels. APS 4-6 and EL1 or equivalent are invited to participate. Register [here >>>](#)



IPAA ACT | 21 JULY 2022

SECRETARY VALEDICTORY | PHILIP GAETJENS

As former Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, and after an outstanding career contributing to, leading and inspiring the public sector, Philip Gaetjens retired in May 2022. We're honoured to host his Valedictory Address, and hope you can join us. [More >>>](#)



IPAA NEW SOUTH WALES | 23 AUGUST 2022

MAKING A DIFFERENCE: CO-DESIGN AND COLLABORATION

Using case studies of Aboriginal procurement to guardianship to serving customers affected by natural disasters, this session will explore putting the customer at the centre of the way we design service delivery, and how open communication and collaboration with customers and stakeholders paves the way for more equitable outcomes. [More >>>](#)

PODCASTS

WORK WITH
PURPOSE

UPCOMING EPISODES

MONDAY 4 JULY

NAIDOC WEEK

Professor Tom Calma AO | Chancellor, University of Canberra

Geoff Richardson PSM | First Nations Development Consultant

Kate Thomann | General Manager, Business Development and Employment, Aboriginal Hostels Limited

MONDAY 18 JULY

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE APS

Kate Driver | Deputy Director & General Manager Operations, Questacon

Rachel Ball | Exhibition Designer, Questacon

LATEST EPISODE

'THE FUTURE OF THE APS' WITH ANDREW PODGER AO AND CARMEL MCGREGOR PSM

In this latest episode, we're joined by Australian Public Service (APS) veterans, Andrew Podger AO, Professor of Public Policy at the Australian National University, and Carmel McGregor PSM, Adjunct Professor at the University of Canberra. They speak about what the APS can expect from the new government, a new reform agenda, future directions for the public service and building relationships between the public and academic sectors. [Listen to the episode >>>](#)

NEWS AND RESOURCES



FRANCES ADAMSON ORATION | WATCH THE VIDEO

On Thursday 23 June, IPAA hosted the inaugural Frances Adamson Oration, to mark United Nations Public Service Day.

Supported by Boston Consulting Group, the Oration was delivered by Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia, who reflected on and celebrated the critical role played by the public service and the institutional and individual integrity, resilience, and challenges in the service. [Watch the video >>>](#)



HOW SHOULD POLICYMAKERS THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE?

There are many tools policymakers can use to see the future and design towards it. As the world continues to respond to systemic shocks - including natural disasters, pandemics and war - friend of IPAA, Professor Genevieve Bell AO, espouses the potential of cybernetics as an effective systems approach to help define and design policy. [More >>>](#)



PEARL OF WISDOM FROM THE IPAA ACT EA COMMITTEE PREPARING TODAY FOR TOMORROW

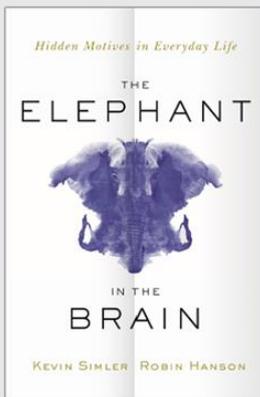
You can start each day with a sense of calm, and set the office up for success, if you and your SES have prepared for the following day and week. EA Committee member, Kathryn Molloy, shares her wisdom on the ease of thinking ahead. [More >>>](#)



HOW TO WRITE CONCISELY

It's not the end of the world if you use an unnecessary word now and then, write the occasional overlapping sentence, or say what you're doing in a sentence before you do it. But the extra words add up. In this HBR article, the author offers advice and tips on the skill of writing with brevity. [More >>>](#)

RECOMMENDED READING



'THE ELEPHANT IN THE BRAIN' BY KEVIN SIMLER AND ROBIN HANSEN

According to authors Kevin Simler and Robin Hansen, 'the elephant in the brain' is an introspective blind spot that makes it hard to think clearly about ourselves and the explanations for our behaviour.

This book aims to confront our hidden motives directly — to track down the darker, unexamined corners of our psyches and blast them with floodlights. Once our minds are more clearly visible, we can work to better understand ourselves and others: Why do people laugh? Why do we brag about things? Why do we prefer to speak rather than listen? [More >>>](#)

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

EA SERIES: THE EA AS A LEADER

8 JUNE 2022

We hosted an excellent EA Series webinar in June, which explored the emerging issues and challenges EAs face. The panel included **Stephanie Ebert**, EA to the CEO at Services Australia, **Michelle Oliver**, EA to the Secretary of the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources, and **Sarah Kalleske**, EA to the Head of Service and Director-General at ACT Public Service. They spoke about the experience, expertise, and lessons learned over their extensive careers and shared personal insights and touched on confidence, resilience, managing up, and leadership. The discussion was facilitated by **Holly Noble**, Director of Strategic Planning and Performance at the Department of Finance. Watch the [video >>>](#)



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WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK.

If there are events, content, speakers and themes you would like on our program, please [reach out](#) and let us know!

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